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## Minutes of the Westhampnett Parish Council Meeting held at 7pm on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2021 via Zoom

### Present:

Parish Councillors: Cllr C McLeish (Chairman), Cllr W Holden (Vice-Chairman), Cllr T Ashcroft, Cllr S Burborough, Cllr S James and Cllr C Moth.

The meeting was clerked by Parish Clerk, Mrs Linda F Lanham, with CDC Cllr H Potter and WSCC Cllr J Hunt in attendance.

12 members of the public also attended, including Mr A Ball (RR).

<u>Minute No</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Action</u>
1/21	<b>OPEN THE MEETING &amp; TAKE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</b> Cllr McLeish opened the meeting, welcoming all via Zoom. There were no apologies.	
2/21	<b>DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS:</b> Cllr Burborough - Rolls Royce (as place of work but not a direct employee).	
3/21	<b>CONFIRM MINUTES OF THE LAST FULL PC MEETING</b> held on 14 <sup>th</sup> December 2020 The Minutes for the Parish Council meeting held on 14 <sup>th</sup> December 2020 were accepted. Cllr James proposed that they be approved, this was seconded by Cllr Holden, all were in favour and they were then signed by the Chairman.	<b>CMcL</b>
4/21	<b>MATTERS ARISING:</b> To deal with any matters arising from the Minutes of the last meeting. None.	
5/21	<b>REPORTS FROM EXTERNAL BODIES:</b> including District and County Councillors and local organisations; reports to be submitted by email to the Parish Clerk for circulation to Councillors prior to the meeting. Questions to be taken at the meeting. <b>WSCC Cllr Jeremy Hunt submitted the following report, and took questions only:</b> You might have seen these details from our direct mailing information service, but for those that might not have seen it, this is the latest information, released on Friday. <b>Vaccination rollout latest</b> The NHS in Sussex continues its rollout of the COVID-19 vaccination – this is the largest vaccination programme ever undertaken by the NHS. <a href="#">The Sussex Health and Care Partnership website</a> has details on the rollout, including when you can expect to get your jab and details of vaccination scams to be aware of. In order to help elderly and vulnerable people get to their COVID-19 vaccination appointments, concessionary bus pass holders can travel for free in West Sussex before 9.30am from this Monday (18 January). Concessionary bus pass holders can currently travel free of charge in West Sussex, off-peak - which is weekdays 9.30am -11pm - and all day at weekends and bank holidays. From Monday, this temporary relaxation will allow them to also travel for free before 9.30am. More information about the county council's bus pass scheme is available <a href="#">here</a> . <b>Latest COVID-19 figures</b> National restrictions remain in place. Cases in West Sussex have been rising and although we may have seen a plateau in cases, we must act like we have it to stop the spread.	

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The latest COVID-19 infection rate across West Sussex, for the seven days up to 9 January, is 640.9 per 100,000. This is still above the national average for England of 622.3 per 100,000.

We cannot let our efforts slip until we have beaten the virus - it is your responsibility to keep yourself and others safe.

Follow National lockdown restrictions and remember:

- You cannot leave your home to meet socially with anyone you do not live with or are not in a support bubble with (if you are legally permitted to form one).
- You may exercise on your own, with one other person, or with your household or support bubble.
- Indoor gyms and sports facilities will remain closed. Outdoor sports courts, outdoor gyms, golf courses, outdoor swimming pools, archery/driving/shooting ranges and riding arenas must also close.
- If you think you may have any coronavirus symptoms, isolate immediately and book a test. There is availability at your local walk or drive-through sites that may be closer than you think.

You can book a [test online](#) or by calling 119 to get an appointment to visit a test site.

#### **Other Information:**

##### **Shielded and Community Hub**

The Community Hub remains in operation providing support seven days a week from 8am to 8pm and was fully operational throughout the Christmas period providing support to residents of West Sussex. The Local Tracing Partnership Team within the Community Hub are working hard to contact residents who have tested positive for Covid-19.

The Community Hub has recently contacted all of our Clinically Extremely Vulnerable (CEV) residents and has sent 14,330 emails and posted 19,222 letters to residents without an email address.

Our Community Hub continues to be open seven days a week, 8am – 8pm. If your request is urgent, for example you are going to run out of food or medicine in the next three days, please phone 033 022 27980 so that we can make sure you get help as quickly as possible. For more details go to: <https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/leisure-recreation-and-community/supporting-local-communities/community-hub-covid-19/>

Our current alert level, weekly data, Outbreak Control Plan and other Covid related information, including a link to our Community Hub, can be accessed on the following website:

<https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/fire-emergencies-and-crime/coronavirus-covid-19-advice-and-information/covid-19-alert-level-weekly-data-and-outbreak-control-plan/>

##### **Libraries, Record Office & Ceremonies**

Libraries will continue to offer the 'select and collect' service, which people can do via telephone, email or online. They will still be offering an essential delivery service too. Unfortunately, the library will not be able to offer the use of computers in the library which is a temporary suspension of this service during lockdown. It has really been emphasised about the benefit of borrowing books, for both helping with home learning and for mental health during these difficult times.

The Ceremonies Team is cancelling the ceremonies which were scheduled to take place in January and are currently awaiting legislation and guidance before cancelling those scheduled for February. Appointments for giving notice are now only being booked for those with a ceremony which is due to take place straight after the end of the intended lockdown period.

Due to the national lockdown, birth registration appointments are temporarily unavailable and we apologise for any inconvenience caused. Before registering the birth, new parents can make a claim for Child Benefit or Universal Credit. We will continue to provide emergency birth appointments for exceptional cases where a birth certificate is required urgently.

The Record Office Search Room will remain closed to the public. Staff will continue to provide a remote service, answering enquiries as far as possible and working on tasks to improve access to, and information about, the collections.

##### **Care homes**

As the whole of England is now in a national lockdown the visiting guidance for care homes remains as before. Visits to care homes can take place with arrangements such as substantial screens, visiting pods, or behind windows. Close-contact indoor visits are not allowed. No visits will be permitted in the event of an outbreak. Further information can be found on the [GOV.UK website](#).

Regular testing is being undertaken across staff and residents in residential care and supported living and domiciliary care workers have now started to be tested. There is also a programme of vaccination through both GP practices and hospital hubs. Care home staff are being invited to the hospital hubs in a planned way.

Latest guidance on residential care, supported living and home care guidance is available [online](#).

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**Local Issues.**

- I am continuing to have discussions around Coach Road and better pedestrian access, but I suspect this issue will take a little while to resolve.
- I am on the case of the 'delivery entrance' signs for RR but awaiting the name of the WS officer that Nigel Carter (RR) had site discussions with.
- Publicity for the Operation Watershed improvements in Westerton Lane in the Observer last week. From what I hear it is working well – so far!

**Other Updates**

- Following the funding announcements confirmed in the Provisional Government Finance Settlement, which was announced just before Christmas, we have now set a provisional balanced budget for 2021/22.
- Regarding Council Tax, the Government have confirmed that the referendum limit for core council tax will remain at 2%, but we will once again be able to raise additional precept - by up to 3% - for Adult Social Care. The government consider this to be part of our core spending power when calculating the overall support we receive. We are therefore proposing to increase council tax by 1.99%, with an additional 3% to support Adult Social Care. For a Band D taxpayer this equates to an increase of £1.38 per week.
- However, the good news is that several savings that were put forward, before we knew the details of the finance settlement, will no longer be part of our budget for 2021/22. These are:
  - Review of Lifelong services (deferred to 22/23)
  - Measures to reduce amount of DIY Waste
  - Review of the number of HWRS sites
  - Reduction in discretionary bus passes
  - Ending Community Highway Schemes
  - Reduction in public transport support

We are still planning savings of around £18m, but overall our revenue budget for next year is increasing by around 5.25%, or by nearly £31m to just under £625m. This means that yet again we will be investing more money in our frontline services.

- With regard to the cost of Covid, this has mostly been met by government support. The cost to WS has been in excess of £100m so far and is obviously continuing to rise. As part of the finance settlement government have already put in place additional funding for the first quarter of the next financial year.
- Our proposed budget for 2021/22 will be going to our Performance and Finance Scrutiny committee this Wednesday and then for approval by Cabinet at our meeting this Friday, 22<sup>nd</sup> January. It will then be presented to the full County Council for approval on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February. All these meetings will be webcast, as are all our public meetings, which are still being held virtually. You can find a list of meetings on our website: <https://westsussex.moderngov.co.uk/mqCalendarMonthView.aspx?GL=1&bcr=1>
- Lastly, we are also continuing to issue our Town and Parish News, as well as regular press releases (<https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/about-the-council/news-and-campaigns/>). Please check these sites regularly, particularly both our Coronavirus website and the CDC coronavirus website, and for other regular updates.

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**Cllr Hunt gave a further verbal update:**

1. Cllr Hunt advised that Operation Watershed would be continuing and that the team carrying out the work at Westerton on the recent Operation Watershed project had identified another drain that needs work. He is currently awaiting another report from WSCC Gary Rustell. Mr Geoff Hardstaff had provided some photos. It was also noted that the road floods from New Road north to Waterbeach Road. This needs further assessment. JH
2. Cllr Hunt confirmed that WSCC were adding another £12m to the Highways budget. LFL
3. Cllr Hunt advised he is in the process of clarifying the Coach Road access, particularly in relation to the footpath and the crossing over the A27 to Coach Road south. JH
4. Cllr Hunt said he is waiting for Mr Nigel Carter (RR) to advise the name of the WSCC person regarding the new Deliveries Sign. NC / JH

Cllr Burborough asked how long it takes to repair a pothole? She had reported 2 potholes in Stane Street on 29<sup>th</sup> December and they are still outstanding. Cllr Hunt said he thought possibly a month? The details of each one was provided to Cllr Hunt, and he will follow up. JH

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**CDC Cllr Henry Potter submitted the following report, and took questions only:**

None of us are sorry to see the back of 2020, a period in our history never before known and we look forward to better times.

The District Councils resources have taken a battering this past nine months and thank goodness for healthy prudently maintained reserves. There was division amongst Members regarding the proposal to raise Parking Charges, though in some cases there was to be no change and even some small reductions. Income from these charges form a substantial part of the Councils revenues to support the statutory duties of the Council such as refuse collection and street cleaning and help for the homeless. The decision of the Cabinet to agree these increases was revisited by Cabinet but the decision stays.

Another decision challenged was whether to join other Authorities in joint plans to create more Electric Vehicle Charging Points. It was agreed not to support this venture, mainly because CDC have already provided more EVCP's than other Authorities and the land availability for such charging stations just isn't available. Our Climate Change Panel are reticent in this matter as there is no guarantee that EV's are yet the way of the future. A full report of the Climate Change Panel was considered by the Cabinet and this report in its entirety can be found on the Councils website.

The situation regarding Covid 19 changes almost daily and the District Council are making regular updates. The latest seems to be that 4 vaccination centres are being set up, 2 in Midhurst and Petworth, 1 in Selsey and the fourth in Tangmere and it is these 2 which will serve the GP Practices in Chichester. A recent bulletin issued by NHS gives the latest, fullest details and was circulated to all PC's it really is a case of being patient and wait to be called, probably by telephone but if you are registered online with your doctor by email or a text message to your phone.

Finally, the saga with the deficiencies within Southern Water are coming to a head. Our Chief Executive, Diane Shepherd wrote to Ofwat a fairly strong letter expressing the failings of SW, not just in the Lavant Valley but right across the District. The Witterings, Bracklesham, Westhampnett and Loxwood all have lack of capacity issues relating to sewage handling. The brief response from Ofwat indicated that they are aware and concerned with SW's poor performance. They are the worst performing waste water treatment Company in the country. More on this as it unfolds.

And that concludes my report.

**Henry Potter**

Cllr Holden asked Cllr Potter why CDC was not going to join with other authorities for EVCPs as mentioned above. He said that new houses have had to have EVCPs for the last 3 years, and Mr Ball (RR) confirmed that RR will have an EV in this decade. Cllr Potter said that it was possible EV was not the way forward and Mr Derek Marlow, a resident, suggested that it was likely that Hydrogen will take over from Electric. There followed a general discussion on this subject, concluding that there was a long lead time for any change.

Cllr Potter asked the Parish Clerk if the design and price of the new Bus Shelters could be provided to him as Boxgrove Parish Council are looking at having some new ones. The Parish Clerk agreed to email this asap.

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**HP and JH left the meeting at 19.20 so they could attend East Dean Parish Council meeting.**

**Mr Andrew Ball (Rolls Royce Motor Cars) submitted the following report, and took questions:**

**Operations**

- Two-shift working fully operational from today. Robust safety measures continue to be in place.
- Majority of office-based staff are working from home.
- We are utilising our three car parks – within our planning permission – as effectively as possible.
- Additional buses – double the previous number - are in operation to and from Bognor Regis to allow for social distancing.
- Majority of planned 'visitor visits' to the Home of Rolls-Royce have been cancelled.

**Planning applications**

- Bamboo garden – non-material amendment (pending decision)
- Retention of temporary structure - storage building (pending decision)
- New signage (application pending)

**Action taken as a response to items raised at last WPC meeting**

- Congestion at shift changeover being reviewed and addressed.
- Request for WSCC contact re: access sign referred to Nigel Carter.

	<p>Cllr McLeish raised the subject of the <u>queues along Stane Street</u> each afternoon when the traffic is backed up around 3pm both ways. She said the delays are unacceptable. Mr Ball replied that no car sharing is allowed at present, so there are more cars, plus there are extra buses as well. He advised that he is working on trying to reduce it.</p> <p>Mr Andrew Blanchard, a resident, said that <u>Claypit Lane was once again the RR overflow carpark</u>. Mr Ball said he would ask Security to check this out.</p> <p>Mr Ball confirmed that a <u>Planning Application for the new signage that has been erected</u> is to be put into CDC. RR have a brand-new corporate Identity, now purple to reflect the Art Deco period.</p> <p><b><u>AB left the meeting at 19.26</u></b></p>	<p><b><u>AB</u></b></p> <p><b><u>AB</u></b></p> <p><b><u>AB</u></b></p>
<p><b>6/21</b></p>	<p><b><u>MEMBERS' REPORTS:</u></b> To receive reports from Members where not covered in agenda below.</p> <p>Cllr Burborough attended the Goodwood Aerodrome Consultative Committee (GACC) - Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) briefing meeting via Zoom on 6th January. The meeting was advised that a Government funded project has been set up to host the testing of drones which would travel Beyond Visual Line of Sight (BVLOS). These drones would about 1.5m long and would be used for emergency situations such as a pandemic. The project has been working with the Fire Service. There would be no drones over houses, and they would operate in a 5mile area of testing. There would be a low level of noise on take-off, and little in flight.</p> <p>Cllr Burborough suggested that a notice should be on the PC website to say no flying of drones allowed in the vicinity of Goodwood, with a link to the Airfield drone page. The Parish Clerk to action.</p>	<p><b><u>LFL</u></b></p>
<p><b>7/21</b></p>	<p><b><u>PLANNING MATTERS:</u></b> To receive a report on recent planning applications, and update on WH/20/02824/OUT Proposed development North of Madgwick Lane, Westhampnett.</p> <p><b><u>Planning Update since the last Parish Council Meeting on 14<sup>th</sup> December 2020</u></b></p> <p><b><u>New Planning Applications for the period week 51 (16/12/20) to week 2 (13/01/21) inclusive</u></b></p> <p><b><u>WH/20/03273/NMA</u></b> - Case Officer: Naomi Langford c/o Agent for Rolls Royce Motor Cars The Drive Westhampnett Chichester West Sussex PO18 0SH Non-material amendment to planning permission WH/19/01406/FUL - Amendment to Condition 2 to update approved drawings (minor alterations to approved drawings including to windows and louvres). To view the application use the following link; <a href="https://publicaccess.chichester.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&amp;keyVal=QLDYRFER0PD00">https://publicaccess.chichester.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&amp;keyVal=QLDYRFER0PD00</a></p> <p><b><u>The PC is currently assessing this Planning Application</u></b></p> <p><b><u>WH/20/03276/FUL</u></b> - Case Officer: Jane Thatcher c/o Agent for Rolls Royce Motor Cars The Drive Westhampnett PO18 0SH Retention of 1 no. structure for storage, retaining use originally approved under 09/01911/FUL. O.S. Grid Ref. 488512/106717 To view the application use the following link; <a href="https://publicaccess.chichester.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&amp;keyVal=QLE2NOERJU100">https://publicaccess.chichester.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&amp;keyVal=QLE2NOERJU100</a></p> <p><b><u>The PC is currently assessing this Planning Application</u></b></p> <p><b><u>WH/20/03239/LBC</u></b> - Case Officer: Vicki Baker Mr John Brown Grayle House Stane Street Westhampnett PO18 0NT Construction of new lean-to conservatory. O.S. Grid Ref. 488048/106155 To view the application use the following link; <a href="https://publicaccess.chichester.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&amp;keyVal=QLBKWTERJR200">https://publicaccess.chichester.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&amp;keyVal=QLBKWTERJR200</a></p> <p><b><u>WH/20/03238/DOM</u></b> - Case Officer: Vicki Baker Mr John Brown Grayle House Stane Street Westhampnett PO18 0NT Construction of new lean-to conservatory. O.S. Grid Ref. 488048/106155 To view the application use the following link; <a href="https://publicaccess.chichester.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&amp;keyVal=QLBKWSERJR100">https://publicaccess.chichester.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&amp;keyVal=QLBKWSERJR100</a></p> <p><b><u>The PC is currently assessing these connected Planning Applications</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Update on outstanding Planning Applications</u></b></p> <p><b><u>WH/20/01903/OBG</u></b> - Case Officer: Jane Thatcher Ms Julian Jones Land North Of Madgwick Lane Westhampnett West Sussex Deed of variation to the S106 Agreement in relation to applications 15/03524/OUTEIA and 15/03884/OUT - Madgwick Lane for a change in the trigger for the sports provision and the green route from the 200th dwelling (as drafted) to the 225th dwelling (as proposed). The relevant part of the S106 Agreement is Schedule 1,</p>	<p><b><u>LFL</u></b></p> <p><b><u>LFL</u></b></p> <p><b><u>LFL</u></b></p>

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section 6, paragraph 6.2 and Schedule 1, section 7, paragraph 7.3 Land North Of Stane Street Westhampnett West Sussex

To view the application use the following link; <https://publicaccess.chichester.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&keyVal=QE89M0ER0WT00>

**PC Objection lodged 25/08/20 & 08/12/20.**  
**Decision now overdue.**

**LV/20/02675/OUT** - Case Officer: Jane Thatcher  
Berkeley Strategic Land Ltd.

Field South Of Raughmere Drive Lavant West Sussex

Outline Application with all matters reserved (except for access) for the development of 140 dwellings, public open space, landscaping, parking and associated works.

O.S. Grid Ref. 485835/107806

To view the application use the following link; <https://publicaccess.chichester.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&keyVal=QIJRNKER0PD00>

**PC Objection lodged 23/11/20.**

**Decision due 19/01/21**

**WH/20/02824/OUT** - Case Officer: Jeremy Bushell

CEG Land Promotions And The Landowners

Land Within The Westhampnett / North East Chichester Strategic Development Location (north Of Madgwick Lane) Chichester

Outline Application with all matters reserved except for access for the residential development comprising up to 165 dwellings, including an element of affordable housing; together with an access from Madgwick Lane as well as a relocated agricultural access, also from Madgwick Lane; Green Infrastructure, including the enhancement of the Lavant Valley Linear Greenspace; sustainable drainage systems; and associated infrastructure.

O.S. Grid Ref. 487255/106469

To view the application use the following link; <https://publicaccess.chichester.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&keyVal=QJ88KRER18000>

Westhampnett Parish Council lodged the following:

Westhampnett Parish Council STRONGLY OBJECTS to this application which it considers is made on the basis of commercial gain rather than proven need, at the expense of the environment and local community.

Impact.

Housing development on land north of Madgwick Lane would have a significant and permanent detrimental impact on Westhampnett Parish; the eastern side of Chichester; the Goodwood Estate and Rolls Royce; Chichester City; the South Downs National Park and the Chichester Harbour.

It will neither integrate with the eastern built area of Chichester nor with the Parish of Westhampnett.

It is an 'island' site, not contained between existing development. The northern and eastern boundaries are arbitrary, not naturally defined and open to interpretation. Therefore, there is a risk of further expansion and development.

Social identity.

Westhampnett Parish Council considers that it is vital to maintain established community structures and boundaries. The larger the community, the more likely adverse social issues occur. Larger communities feel disconnected whilst smaller ones maintain some social responsibility.

Housing Need.

1. Current Local Plan.

Extract from email: Andrew Frost to Gillian Keegan 04.09.20. Ref. EIA Screening Request.

The separate planning merits of any subsequent planning application for new housing on the land will be assessed against current Local Plan and emerging Local Plan Review (LPR) policies as well as guidance in the Council's published Interim Policy Statement which the Council approved in June 2020 as a development management tool for managing new housing proposals in light of the current shortfall in the five year housing land supply.

The location of the proposed housing is within an existing Strategic Development Location (SDL). The housing numbers required by current Local Plan policy 17 for this SDL have already been permitted and are being delivered. As part of the LPR, the remaining areas within the SDL that are therefore no longer required for development - which includes the site subject of the Screening Opinion - are proposed to be removed from that SDL as part of the Local Plan Review process. In this respect, Mr Thomas's attention should be drawn to draft LPR policy AL4, the supporting text to that policy at paragraph 6.33 and the plan showing the land proposed to be removed from existing SDL which is attached to the 'Schedule of proposed changes to the policies map'.

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2. 2020 HELA Assessment.

Extract from 'Sites discounted with reasons'

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HELAA ID Site address Proposed use(s) Stage Category Reason(s) Further comments

HWH0017 Land south of Goodwood (part of WHW0001b)

now called land north of Madgwick Lane. Residential 2 Environmental Health Goodwood safeguarding flight path

3. National Government Algorithm.

The algorithm has now been reviewed. Housing numbers for the Chichester area have been reduced to the original requirement. With the emphasis on new homes to be built in existing urban areas, particularly in the Midlands and the North.

Government guidelines further require that precedence for development should be on brownfield sites

4. The Site.

The site is one of 3 parcels of land allocated in the adopted Chichester Local Plan 2014-2029. Of which 2 parcels, Madgwick Park and North East Chichester were identified for housing development, to provide 500 homes:-

- Madgwick Park providing 300 homes is now under construction.

- North East Chichester to provide 200 homes, CC/16/03791/OUT, approved subject to S106 Agreement, still outstanding.

These two parcels of land fulfil the housing requirement identified in the Local Plan 2014-2029.

The 3rd parcel, land north of Madgwick Lane & east of the River Lavant, was identified for Open Space, Sport and Recreation (Policy 54) and Green Infrastructure (Policy 52), as illustrated by Appendix A: A.25 & A.26. was NOT allocated for Housing.

5. Impact Loss of Agricultural land.

This is not a brown field site. It is part of a larger tract of agricultural land which has always been farmed. If housing development was allowed, the accumulative effect of all 3 developments would result in at least 50% of former productive agricultural land being lost.

NPPF updated 2018/19 requires preservation of good quality farmland.

Housing development results in more people who require food. More people, more food required. Less land, less potential to grow local food & more food miles, which has an Environmental impact. As a nation we only produce 50% of what we need. Government Policy is to grow more & reduce food miles.

6. Archaeology.

The site contains known deposits of significant Bronze Age structures, deposits and ritual activities; the Roman period and Middle Ages activities. Evidence of which would be permanently destroyed by the proposed development.

7. Ecology.

Badgers, bats and birds (linnets, yellow hammer and red partridge) are all known to inhabit the area.

Desecration of their natural habitats cannot be allowed to continue.

Badgers. Badgers are a protected species.

The development would necessitate relocation of the badger setts.

Bats. Bats are a protected species.

Bat boxes and hedgerow enhancement are proposed as mitigating factors but the resultant light pollution from residential development would have a detrimental effect. With the changes to their environment and established routes, it is probable that numbers would be drastically reduced or the bats lost altogether.

Birds. 31 different bird species were recorded on this site in the Ecological Appraisal undertaken by Baker Consultants in 2020, 13 of which are on the BOCC Amber or Red lists. The proposed development would have a detrimental impact on all of these species and undoubtedly see a decline in their numbers. Some may be lost altogether.

8. Noise.

The north east boundary of the site abuts the 400m noise exclusion zone around Goodwood motor sports circuit and airfield. There would be significant noise impact and infringement of privacy for residents from both cars and aircraft activities, particularly helicopters, generated at the circuit and airfield.

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Technical design can mitigate noise levels inside dwellings but not outside. Occupants have a right to tranquillity. Desk top prepared flight paths are not adhered to; continuous overflying circuits by aircraft cause negative impact; as do continuous usage of the circuit by motor vehicles.

The activities at the circuit and airfield already generate many complaints from local residents. An increase in public opposition, may jeopardise the viability of such and result in closure, with subsequent loss of local jobs.

This is the last remaining open land over which helicopters can approach/leave the west side of the airfield. If this development is approved, there will be no entry and exit routes at this end of the airfield free of housing, resulting in helicopters overflying and causing stress and nuisance to both new and existing residents.

#### 9. Traffic.

Madgwick Lane has a single carriageway in both directions, rising to a blind bend at the top (north-east) and having a sharp blind bend at the bottom (south-west).

Currently, many vehicles travel between the two bends at speeds of up to 60mph. Although a 40mph speed restriction is in the process of being implemented, without enforcement it is likely that many motorists will not adhere to the new limit.

The Travel to Work Census carried out in 2011 is out of date. Traffic flow has increased substantially since then, particularly since the reorganisation of car parking arrangements for Rolls Royce employees and the establishment of a staff car park for them, together with a car park for parents of the March School children. Traffic flow will increase further upon completion of development on Madgwick Park (Phase 1).

The development would further impact on the local highway network which is currently over stretched particularly at peak times and holiday periods. Traffic using the inner ring-road route through Chichester from the Portfield roundabout to the Northgate roundabout is increasingly stationary many times between 8.15am and 6.00pm.

##### 9.1 Vehicle access/egress.

The existing agricultural access from Madgwick Lane appears to have been retained to provide access to the Southern Water pumping station and the pedestrian/cycle route to the new playing fields.

##### Residential.

Only one access for residential vehicles is proposed providing access/egress from Madgwick Lane. There is no opportunity to provide an alternative access discharging onto another road.

Several times during the year, Madgwick Lane is closed by TROs to allow safe vehicle access to/from car parks during major Goodwood events, particularly the Goodwood Revival Meeting and Festival of Speed. This route forms part of the Traffic Management Plan, without it there would be even greater traffic hold-ups which may jeopardise these events. When Madgwick Lane is closed what provisions will there be for access for Fire & Rescue; Emergency; Police vehicles and Residents?

##### Agricultural.

There is an existing access for agricultural vehicles at the corner of Stocks Lane and Madgwick Lane. This has satisfactorily served its purpose for many years. There is no need for a new (second) access for agricultural vehicles from Madgwick Lane.

##### 9.2 Framework Travel Plan prepared by Evoke, dated 09.10.20.

##### Doctor's Surgery.

The document quotes 35 minutes to walk to the doctor's surgery on Lavant Road:-

- i. Many people attending a doctor's surgery are unable to walk there, for a variety of reasons.
- ii. There is no direct bus route to that surgery from the site. A change of bus would be required - journey time unknown but subject to bus timetables and likely to take far longer than 35minutes.

##### Community facilities.

No mention is made of the Community Hall in Westhampnett Parish.

##### Access to bus services.

The walking distance to the bus stops appears to have been taken from the access into the development from Madgwick Lane. The actual walking distance from the majority of the dwellings would be almost twice the distance stated.

#### 10. Infrastructure.

The additional housing would have a critical impact on the existing infrastructure (education and health care). These facilities are already over capacity. The local primary school (The March C.E. School) has been oversubscribed for several years. Although nearby, there are no footpaths that connect the Site to the school. Due to lack of public transport, primary school children would have to be transported by car to attend school, thus increasing both the local traffic at peak times and carbon emissions/footprint, contrary to government policy.

11. Drainage.

11.1 Flooding.

Flooding is a known factor on this land.

The Flood Risk Assessment by Brookbanks, identifies 100 and 30 year probabilities, however with Climate Change the probability for flooding is likely to increase.

This will affect house design; purchase and mortgage availability.

11.2 Foul water.

The 10m water main easement across this site has not been indicated. The location of this main will affect the housing layout.

Southern Water's letter dated 30.07.20, states that there is no capacity for additional sewage connections until completion of the Tangmere sewage treatment works, commissioning of which is not anticipated until 2022.

11.3 Surface water.

The site is known to flood.

A large tract of absorbent arable land will be covered with hard surfaces, which will exacerbate current problems.

Proposals for surface water drainage do not reflect the emerging changes in government policy, to mitigate climate change.

Provisions should be incorporated to store and re-use surface water run-off.

12. Light pollution and Landscape impact.

Light pollution from this site would adversely impact upon:

- Wildlife;
- The South Downs National Park and its Dark Sky status.

The illustrative photographs used to mitigate the argument against impact on the visual landscape from the South Downs are of poor quality and must have been taken on a cloudy/misty day!

13. Pre-application consultation.

Westhampnett Parish Council was not consulted during the pre-application discussions.

The questionnaire prepared by the applicant was distributed to some but not all parishioners and not to the Parish Council. The response to the questionnaire was low (by interpretation: 26 people out of 1146 households). No feedback was provided and therefore the conclusions lack transparency.

14. Design.

The illustrative vision, artist sketch contained in the Design and Access Statement, does not reflect the photographs of local vernacular architecture. Rather it projects a crowded, urban, uninspiring, developer led development, totally unsuitable for this location.

15. CONCLUSIONS.

Westhampnett Parish Council **STRONGLY OBJECTS** to the application for Outline Permission, with all matters reserved except for access to the residential development from Madgwick Lane, together with a relocated agricultural access, also from Madgwick Lane.

1. Housing was not allocated for this parcel of land in either the CLP 2014-2019 or in the Local Plan Review 2020.

2. The two parcels of land that were identified, fulfil the housing requirement identified in the Local Plan 2014-2029.

3. The HELAA Assessment Report, dated September 2020, demonstrates how Chichester District Council can fulfil the assessed housing need until 2035.

4. Development on this site is not supported by the emerging, revised Local Plan.

5. This site is not necessary to achieve the reduced housing numbers set by National Government for Chichester District Council.

6. This is not a Brown Field site.

7. The proposed development is an isolated site constricted by noise, flooding and environmental issues.

8. The additional housing would have a critical impact on infrastructure (education and health care). Before any additional housing can be countenanced, greater support infrastructure would be a prerequisite.

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9. The Parish Council considers that the North East Chichester site should be completed prior to any consideration given for this development, to prevent land banking or transfer of allocation.

10. Westhampnett Parish Council considers that Chichester District Council should not be pressurised into such a major change to their emerging Planning Policy, which has been conducted in an appropriate and methodical process, especially at a time when public consultation is difficult, as a result of limitations necessitated by the COVID-19 pandemic.

11. By submitting this 'hostile' application at this time, the applicant(s) are exploiting the current situation for commercial gain to the permanent detriment of the local community.

If development is permitted, a detailed planning application should be prepared and submitted. The detailed proposals should be open to public scrutiny; comment and alteration. Reserved matters invite a lack of transparency and accountability.

**Decision due 02/02/21**

**TG/20/02893/OUT** - Case Officer: Mike Bleakley

Countryside Properties (UK) Ltd

Land Adjacent To A27 Copse Farm Tangmere Road Tangmere West Sussex

Outline planning application for a residential-led mixed use development comprising up to 1,300 dwellings (Use Class C3), an expanded village centre (comprising flexible units suited to Use Class E and pubs or drinking establishments and/or takeaways in Use Class Sui Generis), community uses, primary school, informal and formal open space, playing pitches, footpaths, cycleways, associated landscaping, utilities and drainage infrastructure, including on-site pumping station(s) with connection to the Strategic Foul network; associated infrastructure and groundworks; with all matters reserved except for the principal access junctions from the A27 grade-separated junction and Tangmere Road and the secondary access at Malcolm Road.

O.S. Grid Ref. 489314/106361

To view the application use the following link; <https://publicaccess.chichester.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&keyVal=QJZZT4ERIUAA00>

Westhampnett Parish Council lodged the following:

Westhampnett Parish Council makes no comment on the proposed housing development but endorses the concerns expressed by Boxgrove Parish Council regarding:-

1. Traffic Impact Mitigation Proposals

A285/Temple Bar and A285/New Road junctions.

It is noted that traffic lights are being proposed at the A285/Temple Bar and A285/New Road junctions.

Westhampnett Parish Council share the concerns expressed by Boxgrove Parish Council to these solutions, namely potential traffic build-up between Temple Bar and the A27 slip road at peak times, particularly during Goodwood events and the resultant impact on local roads, Halnaker Crossroads, and The Street in Boxgrove as motorists seek alternative routes to try to mitigate delays.

Generally, traffic is light at both these junctions and although this will increase with the impact of the Tangmere development, it is probable that the majority of traffic will turn east or west onto the A27, with a smaller percentage heading north on the A285, especially if the Chichester by-pass route is resolved.

Westhampnett Parish Council would urge that solutions proposed are reconsidered and either the A285 carriageway is widened at both junctions to permit central reservations to be incorporated to allow traffic to wait prior to turning in/out at both junctions, or this solution is adopted at the Temple Bar junction, with a new roundabout at the New Road junction.

Halnaker Crossroads is a substandard and potentially dangerous junction even with existing traffic levels. This has not been included in the TIA but is the most dangerous of the three junctions. Given the projected increase in north/south traffic, the dangers will substantially increase for east/west traffic crossing or joining the A285. It is considered that traffic lights should be installed at this junction to address this existing dangerous situation. This would also have the benefit of slowing north/south traffic on the A285 through Halnaker, speeding through this built up area being an existing problem, on-going.

2. Bus Services.

The existing 55 bus service is regularly used by residents in Westhampnett and Maudlin. It is noted that the existing route through Boxgrove and Halnaker together with the timetable is to remain. As identified by Boxgrove P.C., an extension to the existing timetable in the evenings and weekends would be welcomed to enable people returning from Chichester after late night shifts, visits to restaurants or places of entertainment could use public rather than private transport.

Any re-routing of the 55 service through Shopwyke Lakes and Tangmere developments would be of great concern to the Westhampnett Parish Council as this would potentially extend the journey time to/from Chichester, for Westhampnett residents thus being less viable/attractive for them to use.

**Decision due 17/02/21**

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**WH/20/03070/DOM** - Case Officer: Maria Tomlinson

Mr Nick Pullen

Greytiles Claypit Lane Westhampnett PO18 0NU

Proposed detached garage.

O.S. Grid Ref. 488291/106337

To view the application use the following link; <https://publicaccess.chichester.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&keyVal=QKELGRERJ2700>

**The PC has no comment to make.**

**Decision due 21/01/21**

**WH/20/03186/DOM** - Case Officer: Vicki Baker

Mr A Levy

3 Folland Drive Westhampnett Chichester West Sussex

Rear extension to detached garage.

O.S. Grid Ref. 487873/106460

To view the application use the following link; <https://publicaccess.chichester.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&keyVal=QL0TGOERJJ600>

Westhampnett Parish Council lodged the following:

Westhampnett Parish Council requests, that if approved, there is a Condition that the extension is for the sole benefit of the owner/occupant of the dwelling.

**Decision due 10/02/21**

#### **Decisions**

**WH/20/02716/FUL** - Case Officer: William Price

Pam Clingan

Lanburn Connemaras Swallow Beck Madgwick Lane Westhampnett

Erect 1 no self-build dwelling

O.S. Grid Ref. 488052/106449

To view the application use the following link; <https://publicaccess.chichester.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&keyVal=QINBOCERHQW00>

Westhampnett Parish Council lodged the following:

Westhampnett Parish Council makes No Comment on the proposed dwelling

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Westhampnett Parish Council OBJECTS to the proposed use for, and access to, the site for up to 5 Caravans and Motorhomes as detailed in the Design and Access Statement, on Page no 19 and 20:

[https://publicaccess.chichester.gov.uk/online-applications/files/493763BCC6070FE3482AE4A21C9565DB/pdf/20\\_02716\\_FUL-DESIGN\\_\\_ACCESS\\_STATEMENT-3024797.pdf](https://publicaccess.chichester.gov.uk/online-applications/files/493763BCC6070FE3482AE4A21C9565DB/pdf/20_02716_FUL-DESIGN__ACCESS_STATEMENT-3024797.pdf)

Extract:

*6.10 SUPPLEMENTARY BUSINESS – The permanent dwelling would be constructed as a ‘self build’ project funded by Owner’s capital together with supplementary income provided by the operation of a Certified Location Caravan site (that does not require planning permission) under the oversight of the Caravan and Motorhome Club and used exclusively by members of the CAMC. The site would be open from mid-March to mid-October each year.*

*CL Site – The Caravan and Motorhome Club has confirmed that a Certificate will be issued by the CAMC to license a site to allow 5 caravans and Motorhomes to use the site. One of the requirements is that a ‘management base be located within easy distance of the CL. A plot has been identified as suitable for this site and approval given by CMC, see letter (Appendix 6). Goodwood Estate has indicated support for this venue. The business will not be viable in any form that excludes this CL site. The CL has been approved and will open in September 2020.*

The existing site access from Madgwick Lane is situated close to the top of a rise and a blind bend, between a tree to the east and a boundary hedge to Madgwick Park development to the west. At this point the lane is controlled by the National Speed limit of 60mph.

There is little visibility in either direction and no opportunity for improvement to the west.

In regard to the size of a large car towing a Caravan, or the size of a Motorhome, many of which are considerable, this proposal would bring a huge increase in danger entering / exiting the site. This could be extremely hazardous especially as the proposed site would be likely to be used by people attending Goodwood events when Madgwick Lane is already very busy. Also, at times during these events Madgwick Lane can be partially closed. Although the entrance has existed for many years and the applicant is aware of the hazards whilst emerging/entering from/to the lane, this would not be the case for anyone unfamiliar with the access, and the increased usage by unfamiliar persons, especially towing a caravan, or driving a Motorhome, would create an unacceptable and dangerous hazard for all road users.

Additionally, there are no pavements for Caravaners to exit the site on foot. The verge is not wide enough for people to safely walk along it in that location.

<p><b>7/21 Cont.</b></p>	<p>The site is just south of the South Downs National Park, and any additional lighting for the Caravans and Motorhomes area would need to be minimised to take account of the Dark Skies policy of SDNP. Regard should also be made the concerns of West Sussex Fire and Rescue in relation to Fire Hydrants, as this risk would be exacerbated by the addition of Caravans and Motorhomes. There is no mention of how the foul water from the Caravans and Motorhomes would be dealt with.</p> <p><b><u>WITHDRAWN 21/12/20</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Other Matters – Chichester Local Plan Review 2020 version of the Council’s Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment (HELAA) document.</u></b></p> <p>The PC have been advised of this review which includes Westhampnett, and further comments are being prepared.</p>	<p><b><u>LFL</u></b></p>
<p><b>8/21</b></p>	<p><b><u>HWRS SMELLS AND NOISE FROM THE SITE:</u></b> Update</p> <p>The Parish Clerk advised that the residents of Grayle House are still experiencing bad smells and noise. The noise is due to the trucks dropping off bins outside the site, early hours operation of the site, and the noise of the sweeper vehicle.</p> <p>Cllr Burborough asked if the dropping off of the bins outside the site is a temporary measure? After a general discussion it was agreed that it is necessary to ask the Management of each site to confirm their approved operating hours and review after that information is available.</p>	<p><b><u>LFL</u></b></p>
<p><b>9/21</b></p>	<p><b><u>SOUTHERN WATER RE: FOUL SEWERS CAPACITY IN STANE STREET:</u></b> Update on correspondence with CDC and SW</p> <p>The Parish Clerk advised that CDC had sent a letter to the CEO of OFWAT in December, in which they outlined the Southern Water issues in the whole Chichester District. The CEO had responded that these matters were being looked at and Gillian Keegan MP was also aware. The Councillors had previously asked that a letter be sent to OFWAT drawing attention to the problems being experienced in the Parish, and the Parish Clerk had now drafted one for their approval. Cllr Holden suggested a minor word change, and the letter was approved by all the Councillors.</p>	<p><b><u>LFL</u></b></p>
<p><b>10/21</b></p>	<p><b><u>UPDATE ON REQUESTS RECEIVED BY PARISH CLERK</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <u>A27 Footpath between Dairy Lane and Coach Road - Fly-tipping of rubble</u> has now been collected.</li> <li>2. <u>A27 Footpath between Dairy Lane and Coach Road – Overgrown vegetation</u> – Still outstanding with Highways England to be done, to be chased.</li> <li>3. <u>Solar Farm Re-planting?</u> – The Parish Clerk asked is anyone had seen any planting being done, no-one has so this will be chased up.</li> <li>4. <u>Madgwick Park pathway</u> – the path into and through the estate from Madgwick Lane crossing now looks useable. This was confirmed to be so.</li> <li>5. <u>Dog poo Signs</u> – a design has been created by Cllr Burborough and agreed by the Councillors, now need Goodwood permission to put them up, possible positions include both FP416 and FP417.</li> </ol>	<p><b><u>LFL</u></b></p> <p><b><u>LFL</u></b></p> <p><b><u>LFL</u></b></p>
<p><b>11/21</b></p>	<p><b><u>MARCH SCHOOL ADMISSIONS POLICY:</u></b> Discuss details of email circulated to all Councillors on Wed, 16 Dec, 11:43</p> <p>The Councillors discussed this document, and in particular, the admission rules for children living in the Parish. The Parish Council believe that the Parish residents, regardless of religion, should come higher on the criteria for admission. Cllr Holden will provide a reply to the School, to be sent before closing date of 31<sup>st</sup> January.</p>	<p><b><u>WH / LFL</u></b></p>
<p><b>12/21</b></p>	<p><b><u>COMMUNITY HALL:</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <u>Update on Closure of the Hall again on 26<sup>th</sup> December 2020</u> - Cllr Holden advised that the Hall had to be closed again due the 3<sup>rd</sup> Lockdown, re-opening date not known.</li> <li>2. <u>Update on Cleaning</u> - The Parish Clerk confirmed that cleaning had taken place in December, lastly on Weds 30<sup>th</sup>, now on hold again with T&amp;T Cleaning for the time being. The Parish Clerk advised that the recent water ingress under the French Doors had been reported to Reillys and would be kept under review to see if it happens again.</li> <li>3. <u>Update on Bookings / Refunds</u> – Mr Richard Skillern confirmed there were no new bookings, only the odd enquiry, and no refunds requested. It was agreed he would clear the Hall calendar until end of February.</li> <li>4. <u>Update on preparation for the appointment of a Premises Manager</u> – Cllr Holden confirmed there had been 4 applications for the role, interviews would be via Zoom on Tuesday &amp; Wednesday evenings this week.</li> <li>5. <u>Fire Alarm / Emergency Lighting Maintenance and Monitoring Service contract quotes</u> – Mr Richard Skillern confirmed he would do a fire test, and email the Parish Clerk. The Parish Clerk advised that CIA needed to be followed up as there had been no contact from them in regard the Maintenance and Monitoring.</li> <li>6. <u>Report on Reilly’s Final Account and total cost of Build of Hall</u> – Mrs Jean Hardstaff confirmed that the Final invoice for the build had now been approved. The Parish Clerk confirmed payment is being made. The overall total is £656,810.74. The Parish Council thanked Mrs Hardstaff very much for all the work she had done on this project.</li> </ol>	<p><b><u>LFL</u></b></p> <p><b><u>RS</u></b></p> <p><b><u>LFL</u></b></p>

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13/21	<b><u>VISIBLE “ENTRANCE” TO EACH PART OF THE PARISH:</u></b> Update on progress. Cllr McLeish advised that a site meeting is needed with Mike Dare so he can assess the “gates” on the Goodwood side of RR roundabout, as these were not discussed last year. Mr Dare said that the Madgwick Lane TRO would need to be implemented prior the approval, so this project would be pending until then. The Parish Clerk will chase up the TRO with BDW Homes who are responsible for the works. Both Cllr Ashcroft and Mr Derek Marlow remarked how good the Halnaker entry “gates” looked.	<u>CMcL</u> <u>LFL</u>
14/21	<b><u>ALLOTMENTS:</u></b> Set up a working group to ensure provision is as needed, and management is defined.  This item was on the Agenda so that the process could begin, however the Parish Clerk said that since the Agenda was finalised, she had received a reply from BDW Homes advising that, due to re-programming of the build site as a result of delays caused by COVID, shutdowns and the reduced workforce, the anticipated finish date has moved to circa June 2023. It is clear there is nothing more that can be done on this for another year or so at least.  It was agreed that the Parish Clerk should advise all those on the Allotment waiting list.	<u>LFL</u>
15/21	<b><u>KEEPING THE PARISH LOOKING GOOD – VILLAGE VOLUNTEERS:</u></b> 1. <u>Christmas Trees and Lights</u> – the Parish Clerk reported that the 2 trees and lights had been successful, and people seemed to enjoy them. All were thanked for their part in achieving this under the difficult circumstances. The cost was in the region of £650. There followed a short discussion about whether real trees should be planted during the coming year, for eco-friendly, aesthetic and financial reasons. This matter was not finalised and would need further consideration. 2. <u>Trees from the Woodland Trust</u> – Cllr McLeish advised there are 40 trees to be planted, currently in compost. 3. <u>More Litter Picking</u> – thanks to Mr Derek Marlow and Mrs Sarah James for litter picking numerous times, this is much appreciated. 4. <u>Leaf sweep</u> – The Parish Clerk advised that an email of thanks had been sent to CDC Depot for the work done on 12th December by the Leaf Sweeping Team together with the Volunteers. This had improved the footpath on Stane Street (north side) and on Claypit Lane, and cleared the road edges, all would help walking to be safer, and rain to run away down the drains.	<u>LFL</u> <u>CMcL</u>
16/21	<b><u>COUNCILLORS BUSINESS, FOR NOTING OR INCLUDING ON A FUTURE AGENDA:</u></b>  A proposal had been received from Mrs Jean Hardstaff for the potential continuation of a new footpath recently constructed from Goodwood Hotel, along Redvins Road to Boxgrove.  Mrs Hardstaff advised that she had seen this new Goodwood path, and it now gave access to Boxgrove, Halnaker and the Windmill etc. She suggested that if a small extension could be done by Goodwood, from Westerton Crossroads to the Golf Driving Range and so to the Hotel, this would create the possibility of safe walking from the south of the Parish right through the Parish and onwards. This would benefit the attendees of Goodwood Motor Sport events as well as it would provide safer walking to the Circuit. She asked if the Parish Council would consider writing to Goodwood to ask if this could be done. Cllr Burborough said she had seen this new path too, and had photos, and agreed it is quite dangerous to walk on the road. Cllrs Holden and Ashcroft remarked how many more people were now walking, especially in that area. Cllr Holden said that when talking with Darren Norris, Goodwood Forestry Manager, Darren had advised that the part of the new path marked in Green is a permissive path, and in Red is only for Hotel Guests.  It was agreed by the Councillors that the Parish Council should approach Goodwood to ask this could be considered, and Mrs Hardstaff and the Parish Clerk will work together to do this.	<u>JLH/</u> <u>LFL</u>
17/21	<b><u>PARISH FINANCIAL MATTERS:</u></b> 1. <u>To approve the accounts to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020</u> which had been previously circulated to all Councillors. There being no questions, the approval of the accounts was proposed by Cllr Burborough, seconded by Cllr Ashcroft, and all voted in favour. The Accounts were signed by Cllr McLeish. 2. <u>To approve proposed precept value and budget for 2021/22</u> – The Budget and Precept spreadsheets had been previously circulated to the Councillors. The Parish Clerk explained that due to the increase in the number of rate payers in the Parish, the Band D amount could remain the same as last year if the Councillors wished, that being so the Parish would receive a precept of £57,050 for the year 2021/22, an increase of £2,925. This was proposed by Cllr McLeish, seconded by Cllr James, and all voted in favour. The Parish Clerk to notify CDC. Cllr Burborough proposed that the Budget be approved, this was seconded by Cllr Holden and all voted in favour.	<u>CMcL</u> <u>LFL</u>
18/21	<b><u>CORRESPONDENCE, INCLUDING NOTICES &amp; LEAFLETS:</u></b>  The Parish Clerk advised that the next CDC All Parishes Meeting will be held via Zoom on Monday 8th February 2021 at 5.30pm. Cllr Burborough offered to attend to represent Westhampnett, however it is to be noted that the Parish Council meeting is the same evening starting at 7pm, so she may have to leave before the end. The Parish Clerk to advise CDC.	<u>LFL</u>

19/21	<p><b><u>DEALING WITH LOCAL ISSUES:</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Gigabit Broadband Voucher Scheme</u></b></p> <p>Mrs Mary Barlow, a resident of Old Arundel Road, had raised the problem of paying for unlimited high-speed Broadband but receiving under 10Mbps, and not even consistent at that, all of which is a problem for working from home. She has seen this Scheme, which is supported by WSCC, and asked if any other properties in Maudlin/Westhampnett would be interested in looking into this. The Councillors agreed it was a problem for some people, although it seems Openreach are delivering FFTP in Stane Street area, with Cllr Moth recently on stream at 100mbps now. Cllr McLeish said she was also experiencing slow speeds, and suggested she get in touch with Mrs Barlow and they can assess the situation for their area to get a project going.</p> <p>The deadline to apply is 31st March 2021</p> <p><b><u>Village Green Play Area</u></b></p> <p>The Parish Clerk reported that she had received an email from Trinity regarding the Village Green Play Area equipment. It was suggested by a Roman Walk resident that there are sharp edges on the play equipment. No other details were given or could be obtained.</p> <p>The Play Area is inspected weekly, and so Mr Bob Keatley carried out an additional very thorough check on Sunday 17th January. Mr Keatley advised the meeting that he could find nothing obvious. He said the metal sections on the slide have rounded edges and although the two stainless steel caps that are crimped to the ends of the rope supporting the rope &amp; timber climbing frame are slightly rough, in his opinion they are not dangerously sharp. He confirmed that all the standard play area equipment has been inspected and cleared for use during several ROSPA inspections. He continued to say that the only items that have been supplied and installed by the Parish are the signs fitted next to both entrance gates and they do not have any sharp edges.</p> <p>There is nothing more that can be done unless the person concerned contacts the Parish Clerk. Therefore this is now closed, and the Parish Clerk will advise Trinity of the actions taken and outcome.</p>	<p><b><u>CMcL</u></b></p> <p><b><u>LFL</u></b></p>
20/21	<p><b><u>QUESTIONS BY THE PUBLIC:</u></b> Any resident of the area covered by the Council and present at the meeting may ask questions relating to the business of the Council.</p> <p>Mr Marvin Smith, a resident, advised that further to the <u>drone</u> item earlier, the law had changed on 01/01/21. He suggested that this may result in more flying of drones, outside of Goodwood's hours of 10am-4pm.</p> <p><u>Broadband</u> Mr Bob Keatley said, additionally to earlier discussions, he found Zoom Ok to use. Mr Don Milton, a resident, said Broadband deteriorates with more and more people on it. He had experienced difficulties over many years and suggested that there is a great need for more capacity, and definitely Fibre connections.</p> <p><u>Cycle Lane slippery</u> It was reported by several residents and Councillors that the new cycle lane had been extremely slippery during the recent heavy frost / icy weather. The surface became so slippery that walking on it was very difficult, and cycling was also tricky.</p> <p>The Parish Clerk advised there is salt available for spreading on paths, this is located in the yellow bin by the Church. There is no spreader though, it would have to be done with shovels.</p> <p>The Parish Clerk will email WSCC to ask what could be done about this surface.</p>	<p><b><u>LFL</u></b></p>
21/21	<p><b><u>DATE OF NEXT FULL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING:</u> 8<sup>th</sup> February 2021</b> Noted.</p>	
22/21	<p><b><u>CLOSE MEETING</u></b> The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.22pm.</p>	

**Signed**.....  
**Chairman of Meeting**

**Date**.....