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Minutes of the Westhampnett Parish Council Meeting held at 7pm on Monday 11th March 2019 at the March C of E School, Westhampnett

Present:

Parish Councillors: Cllr W P Harding (Chairman), Cllr J L Hardstaff (Vice-Chairman), Cllr S Burborough, Cllr H Horne, Cllr S James, and Cllr C McLeish.

The meeting was clerked by Parish Clerk, Mrs Linda F Lanham.

WSCC Cllr J Hunt, CDC Cllr M Hall, Mr J Pickford (LPC), Mr N Reynolds (A27 Alliance), Mr A Ball & Mr N Carter (RR), Mr B Slingo and 37 members of the public also attended.

52/19	<u>OPEN THE MEETING & TAKE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</u> The Chairman opened the meeting. Apologies received from Cllr R Fabricius, Ms Ciara Williams (Goodwood Estate) and Mr Mark Gibb (Goodwood Aerodrome).	
53/19	<u>DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS</u> Cllr Burborough (Rolls Royce).	
54/19	<u>CONFIRM MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING</u> held on 11 th February 2019 Cllr Hunt said that in Item 32/19 in the Minutes with regard to the A27, the word <i>bridges</i> had been left out of the text, should read <i>cuttings and bridges</i> . The Parish Clerk checked the handwritten record taken at the time, and no note was there. As the details are not material due to no agreed plan for the A27, the Minutes were approved as they stood. <u>RESOLVED:</u> That the minutes of the meeting held on 11 th February 2019 are approved by the Council and signed by the Chairman as a true record of the meeting. Proposed by Cllr McLeish, seconded by Cllr Horne, and all voted in favour.	<u>LFL</u>
55/19	<u>MATTERS ARISING</u> None.	
56/19	<u>REPORTS FROM EXTERNAL BODIES:</u> including District and County Councillors and local organisations. <u>WSCC Cllr Jeremy Hunt</u> advised that the <u>Council Tax</u> amount was approved on 15 th February. He advised that the planned meeting in respect of the <u>A27</u> that Ms Goldsmith was to have with Mrs Keegan (MP) and Mr Jesse Norman (Minister of State Dept for Transport) was postponed by the Minister, with no new date known. In regard to the <u>Parking Proposals</u> Cllr Hunt confirmed that these were going to be discussed at the South Chichester County Local Committee Meeting on 18 th June. Cllr Hunt advised that West Sussex is running a <u>Slipper Swop</u> – this is to allow elderly people to swop their old slippers for new ones. This applies to all as slippers and trips are very costly to the County. If you know of anyone who would benefit please go along to the swop session at Chichester Library on Thursday 28 th March. There is a poster available if we would like it, and more details from www.westsussex.gov.uk/falls . <u>CDC Cllr Mike Hall</u> reported that the <u>Stagecoach Bus 55</u> was to be re-routed temporarily whilst the roadworks were carried out on Stane Street. The buses would go along Stane Street, and turn around the roundabout at Maudlin and return back along Stane Street.	
57/19	<u>MEMBERS' REPORTS:</u> To receive reports from Members where not covered in agenda below. None.	
58/19	<u>REQUESTS RECEIVED BY PARISH CLERK</u> 1. <u>Goodwood hedges:</u> The Rolls Royce path is partly done. Parish Clerk to follow up. 2. <u>Cut back hedges in Old Arundel Road:</u> This has been reported to Hyde Housing, and reference number provided. A second chase was made, still no action has been seen so far, Parish Clerk to chase up again. 3. <u>Additional Post Box:</u> The application is to be actioned by Parish Clerk. 4. <u>Lights on the Village Green:</u> Confirmation has been received from Bellway that PC6 bulb, and the entire pole change is now on order, with delivery date to be advised. 5. <u>Pot hole in Claypit Lane:</u> Done 6. <u>Replacement Dog Bin to Litter Bin:</u> Awaiting assessment by CDC. 7. <u>Goodwood Hedge at Duchess Cottage on Stane Street.</u> Done.	<u>LFL</u> <u>LFL</u> <u>LFL</u> <u>LFL</u> <u>LFL</u>

59/19

A27 ALLIANCE:

Mr James Pickford and Mr Nick Reynolds had been invited by WPC to make a presentation to the Parish Council.

Mr Pickford (Chairman of Lavant Parish Council) said that Lavant and other parishes had received a Freedom of Information request in regard to the A27 Alliance from Mr Mike Dicker who had been invited to this meeting. He asked if Mr Dicker was present in the room. No-one said they were him.

Mr Pickford said that he and Mr Reynolds had discussed the A27 over the last 4 years and there had been no conclusion since 2005, due to National Park Planning rules and lack of budget. Lavant PC has withdrawn from other A27 discussions. He explained that Mr Reynolds represents the A27 Alliance and he will talk about that as the catalyst for today had been the FOI request.

Mr Reynolds explained that the A27 Alliance is not a formal group, with no lists of members etc. In June 2018 there were discussions about the mitigated northern route and the upgraded southern route but there was disconnect between Highways England (HE) and WSCC.

A27 Alliance is a vast group of interested persons and professionals. The group investigates issues and is happy to share with others. The common goal is to upgrade the existing route. The A27 Alliance does not represent any other organisation, only itself. They want Fix it First on the existing route, and this is the requirements of CDC's review of the road which relies on the 2011 WSCC Transport Plan.

Last month HE rejected both WSCC mitigated northern route and the full southern route. He asked – when will WSCC Leaders understand that HE's No mean No? WSCC ignored the survey result and now something is needed to bind the community as this is divisive. An evidence based lead is needed, taking into account HE and budget constraints. The A27 Alliance is a group of allies.

Cllr Hall asked why the mitigated route is still being mentioned by WSCC – Mr Reynolds said no evidence had been given. Cllr Hardstaff asked how the A27 Alliance is funded, and what do you want from WPC. Mr Reynolds said they had no funding. Mr Pickford explained that LPC are supporting the A27 Alliance, or not, as each idea is put forward. Mr Derek Marlow, a resident, asked if the question is to join, or not to join? Hr suggested that the PC should not align itself one way or another.

Cllr Harding said this issue was rumbling on, and the majority said do up the A27. Would the audience support the enhancement of the A27? Mr David Beasley, resident, said – why support the North if this would adversely affect Westhampnett? Mr Lloyd Tooze, resident of Boxgrove, said he had lived here for only the last 10 years, and suddenly the support for the southern upgrade was pushed aside. Cllr Harding suggested voting is at the bottom of it. Mr Henry Potter, Chairman of Boxgrove PC, said that in the National Policy for Parks did not allow roads to go through the Park, or on its boundaries. These policies have been strengthened not weakened.

Cllr Harding said there were no civil engineers or finances involved, and Mr Reynolds said that there were no policies anywhere that support the northern route. HE will only put forward a scheme that will get through an inspector. He concluded that it is an appalling situation that affects us all, with nothing done, it is such a shambles.

Cllr Hunt said his views were well known; he does not support a northern option – but he is 1 out of 71 Councillors (not many of whom are impacted by the route). The CDC Councillors are more affected. The 2 options should have been properly assessed by HE. He is not party to discussions, and he is doing what he can.

Mr Reynolds said that the 10 worst congested towns in the UK do not include Chichester, and WSCC has no money.

Cllr Hall thanked Mr Reynolds for his presentation.

Cllr Harding asked for an informal show of hands from all those attending in regard to whether or not they supported the suggestion of supporting the A27 Alliance. This was 50%.

The resolution was then made as below:

RESOLVED: That the Parish Council support the A27 Alliance group.

Proposed by Cllr Harding, seconded by Cllr James, and all voted in favour.

60/19

REVIEW OF WSCC PRESENTATION OF PARKING PROPOSALS ON 6TH MARCH 2019

Cllr Hardstaff said she thought that there should be double yellow lines **all** along Stane Street from the Chichester Park Hotel to Maudlin. She said the road curves, and it's a dangerous situation, better if no cars are parked on the road.

A resident asked about fixed speed cameras – would they be a deterrent to speeding? It was suggested that traffic calming measures such as at Selbourne (using pinch points and 20mph) might help? There followed general discussion about options for yellow lines. Also the use of single yellow lines was mentioned. It was commented that people moderated their speed if cars are parked on the road.

Mr Andrew Ball said RR strongly endorsed WSCC Parking Management Plan, and that RR had asked the Authorities to deal with the speeding. He confirmed that RR is managing parking on local roads, and today they were addressing Old Arundel Road. They are now having to discipline staff. He is hopeful this will have a positive effect so that soon the parking issues will not be due to RR staff. He has written to the Leaders of CDC and WSCC again.

He said he thought speed cameras would prove that there is a problem, and the Speedwatch group need to provide the data. Mr Beasley, resident, asked if the RR supplier trucks and buses could go slower. Mr Blanchard, resident, commented that he had to put cones outside his house, so he can get into his driveway. Another resident said that where he lives there are lots of parked cars from The Grange, and that there had been parking in the afternoon on Roman Walk. Mr Ball said he had supported, including via TV and Radio, that parking is an issue.

<p>60/19 Cont.</p>	<p>Mr Tooze, resident of Boxgrove, said the shift change was also an issue, with queues in Stane Street. Mr Ball confirmed that the shift change buffer period is being reviewed. Cllr Hunt asked if deliveries were restricted during this time, and Mr Ball confirmed that they are.</p> <p>Mr Ball confirmed that the new School Car Park is now signed off, opening in March</p> <p>Ms Jane Ambrose, Churchwarden, said that the Church has an agreement with Westhampnett House that Church attendees can park in their car park.</p> <p>Cllr Hunt confirmed that should the Parking Proposals be implemented they would be reviewed after 12 months.</p> <p>The Parish Clerk was asked to submit the PC suggestions by email to WSCC, including revised times M-F 9-5, rather than those on the proposal.</p> <p><u>JH, HP, and MH then left the meeting at 8.25pm.</u></p>	<p><u>LFL</u></p>
<p>61/19</p>	<p><u>PLANNING MATTERS:</u> To receive a report on recent planning applications</p> <p><u>Planning Applications:</u> Cllr Hardstaff detailed the following -</p> <p><u>WH/19/00307/DOM</u></p> <p>Mrs T Keyter The Stables Stane Street Maudlin Westhampnett Installation of bifold doors to rear northern elevation. The Parish Council has no Comments.</p> <p><u>WH/19/00111/DOM</u></p> <p>Mrs Karen Williams 2 The Sadlers Westhampnett PO18 0PR Removal of existing rear conservatory and erection of a new brick built extension. The Parish Council has no Comments.</p> <p><u>WH/18/02225/FUL</u></p> <p>Mr Luke Leleu Maudlin Mill Sidengreen Lane Maudlin Westhampnett Provision of 2 no. industrial units (B1/B2). CDC Decision is still pending</p> <p><u>WH/18/02003/FUL</u></p> <p>Mr & Mrs Ubsdell Greytiles Claypit Lane Westhampnett PO18 0NU Demolition of existing garage, construction of additional dwelling and associated works, subdividing plot. This was refused by CDC on 7th March 2019.</p> <p><u>Madgwick Park - Allotments</u></p> <p>The Parish Clerk read out 2 emails received in regard to discharge of Conditions 10, 11 and 12 of the Planning Application. These made many comments and commitments which were not agreed by the Parish Council.</p> <p>Mr Brad Slingo, Barratt David Wilson Homes explained that the Freehold Land was to be transferred to the Parish Council. There was to be no Management Fee for use of the road leading up to the Allotment site, this is to be WSCC tarmac public road.</p> <p>Mr Bob Holman said the visit to Lavant Valley Allotment Association had been very useful, and a meeting is needed for the next stage.</p> <p>Mr Derek Marlow remarked that, in his opinion, pre-application discussions with residents is the best way, and said that BDW could withdraw their application for discharge of conditions 10,11 and 12, if they wished.</p> <p>Cllr Harding said that there had been a complaint by a resident in regard to the mud on Madgwick Lane, which when dry was leaving dust all over the cars, and a slippery road when wet. The construction traffic is going into the site by both entrances, but was supposed to be via Stane Street only. Mr Slingo confirmed that it would be from Stane Street only from May. There were complaints of bad language being used on arrival in the early morning and on the site. These had been referred to CDC.</p> <p>Ms Ambrose, Churchwarden, asked if there had been any further news on the access to the Church land, with a path through from Madgwick Park. This had been requested in March 2018 but nothing more heard. Mr Slingo agreed to look into this.</p>	<p><u>BS</u></p>
<p>62/19</p>	<p><u>NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN UPDATE / LOCAL PLAN UPDATE TO 2035</u></p> <p>Cllr Hardstaff reported that the Neighbourhood Plan had been received back from the Planning Consultant, and work was on-going.</p>	<p><u>JLH</u></p>
<p>63/19</p>	<p><u>SUBMISSION FOR SDNP COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY FOR FOOTPATHS</u></p> <p>The submission for funds for new Public Footpaths along New Road, and to Lavant, was completed in time, and the outcome is awaited.</p>	

64/19	<u>PURCHASE OF SPEEDWATCH GUN AND SPEEDING IN THE PARISH</u> The Parish Clerk advised that Linda Campbell has resigned as Speedwatch Leader, and that the purchase of the speed gun was on her work list. Mr Blanchard said they need someone to log the data.	<u>LFL</u>
65/19	<u>COMMUNITY HALL</u> 1. <u>Contract / build progress</u> : Cllr Hardstaff reported that the building is still going up and at rafter stage now. 2. <u>Costs so far / Hire rates</u> : Cllr Hardstaff advised that £153k had been spent so far, about £10k above initial level, but still within contingency. 3. <u>Personnel to run Hall</u> : Cllr Harding said volunteers to run the Hall were needed. A Management Committee needed to be formed, and Cllr Horne has a list of volunteers plus anyone else interested would be very welcome. It will also be necessary to have a list of people running events. 4. <u>Survey results so far from residents for ideas for groups / use</u> : Cllr Horne said he was processing the results from the survey, and there had been lots of suggestions.	<u>HH</u> <u>HH</u>
66/19	<u>VILLAGE GREEN</u> The Parish Clerk reported: 1. The dead / missing trees have now been replaced. 2. Bellway confirmed that Lamp-post PC6 is ordered, to be installed as soon as received. 3. The Grass Cutting would begin in a couple of weeks Mr Andrew Blanchard said a new padlock was needed for the double gates into the Play Area, and he kindly offered to obtain one as soon as possible, and provide the receipt to the Parish Clerk for reimbursement.	<u>LFL</u> <u>AB</u>
67/19	<u>LITTER BIN AT MAUDLIN, AND EXCHANGE OF DOG BIN FOR LITTER BIN AT RR ROUNDABOUT</u> The Parish Clerk had emailed CDC on 26 th February for a quotation to change the dog bin to a litter bin, add a new litter bin inside the Play Area on the Village Green on Stane Street, add a new litter bin on the Village Green on Stane Street, and add a new litter bin at Maudlin at the bottom of the PROW Footpath to Westerton. A reply is awaited. Cllr Harding asked if a litter bin could also be provided at Old Place Lane, in readiness for the occupation of the houses in Madgwick Park and the use of the recreational area. This is noted for future action.	<u>LFL</u>
68/19	<u>VELO SOUTH</u> Cllr Harding advised that Louise Goldsmith has now confirmed that there will not be a Velo South event this year. She has also committed to looking at a method of conducting large scale events in the future.	
69/19	<u>SPARE BUS SHELTER? WHERE TO PUT?</u> After a discussion the 2 places suggested, in order of preference, are by The Church on the north side of Stane Street, or by Everyman's Garage also on the north side of Stane Street. To be advised to WSCC in relation to the cycle path work.	<u>LFL</u>
70/19	<u>GREAT BRITISH SPRING CLEAN 2019 ON 6TH APRIL / WESTHAMPNETT VOLUNTEERS</u> Cllr Harding asked the Parish Clerk to explain about this Spring Clean. The Church has arranged to take part in this national event, and need more volunteers. The Westhampnett Volunteers have agreed to help and lend Hi-Viz jackets and litter pickers. The event is to be publicised via a notice on the PC website, FB and Next Door.	<u>LFL /</u> <u>CMcL</u>
71/19	<u>ANNUAL PARISH MEETING OF ELECTORS ON 29TH APRIL 2019 - PLAN THE EVENT</u> After a short discussion the Councillors agreed that the main focus of the event was to be the Community Hall and its uses. Cllr Horne would provide some displays of Activities suggested. It was suggested that RR be approached for the loan of their display boards again. A local businesses showcase was suggested and the Chairman would give his report for the last year. Refreshments would be provided.	<u>HH</u> <u>LFL</u>
72/19	<u>PARISH COUNCIL ELECTION:</u> Nomination forms can be obtained from the Parish Clerk.	<u>LFL</u>
73/19	<u>COUNCILLORS BUSINESS, FOR NOTING OR INCLUDING ON A FUTURE AGENDA</u> 1. Cllr Hardstaff remarked that she had written to Rolls Royce some months ago in regard to the possibility of Community Orchard. It was requested that the Parish Clerk take this up with RR. Those present suggested that local varieties of fruit should be planted. 2. Cllr James suggested that a meeting date be set with BDW in regard to the Allotments.	<u>LFL</u> <u>BS</u>
74/19	<u>PARISH FINANCIAL MATTERS</u> 1. The accounts up to 28 th February 2019 were approved by the Parish Council, proposed by Cllr Harding, and seconded by Cllr Horne. 2. It was RESOLVED that a new Barclays Bank Account be opened for the running of the Community Hall. Cllr McLeish proposed, and Cllr James seconded, and all voted in favour. 3. The matter of the initial signatories to 2. above was postponed until the PC meeting on 13 th May in light of the Elections on 2 nd May.	<u>LFL</u>

75/19	<p><u>CORRESPONDENCE, INCLUDING NOTICES & LEAFLETS</u></p> <p>A letter had been received from Arun and Chichester Citizens Advice asking if the PC would be able to provide a grant of £200 this year. The Councillors agreed to provide this with Cllr Burborough proposing, and Cllr McLeish seconding. The Councillors asked if, when paying the cheque, a question could be asked in regard to the numbers in the Parish that were assisted last year.</p>	<u>LFL</u>
76/19	<p><u>DEALING WITH LOCAL ISSUES</u></p> <p>None.</p>	
77/19	<p><u>QUESTIONS BY THE PUBLIC:</u> 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> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Those present were reminded that the Volunteers were to work on the Footpath from Maudlin to Westerton over the weekend of 4/5/6 May and that more volunteers were needed for 5th May. 2. A resident asked when the Cycle Path would be ready – the Parish Clerk advised that the Public Consultation process is next. 3. Mr Keatley reminded those present to go online and log their comments on the Parking Proposals. 	
78/19	<p><u>DATE OF NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING: 13th MAY 2019</u></p> <p>This is the annual meeting of the Parish Council including election of Chairman and Vice-Chairman</p> <p>Noted</p>	
79/19	<p><u>CLOSE MEETING</u></p> <p>The meeting closed at 9.30pm.</p>	

Signed.....

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Chairman of Meeting