

## **Hordle Parish Council**

Serving the communities of Tiptoe, Hordle and Everton

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2024 at the Pavilion, Vaggs Lane, Hordle.

Councillor Name		Councillor Name	
Maggie Hill (Chair)	Р	Nigel Ferguson (Vice Chair)	Р
Sue Knight	Р	David Horne	Р
Carol Rook	Р	Colleen Sambrook	Р
Valerie James	Р	Ben Sandford	Р
Sheila Nash	Р	Malcolm Warne Holland	Р
Steve Vincent	Р		

P = Present.

In attendance: Hannah Izod (Deputy Clerk), District Councillors Reid and Ward and 3 members of the public.

- 1. Apologies for absence: County Councillor Carpenter, District Councillor Hawkins, Sarah Pitt (Clerk and RFO).
- 2. Declarations of interest in items on the agenda. None.
- 3. To confirm the minutes of the Parish Council meeting of 17<sup>th</sup> September 2024. Approved 10 For, 1 Abstained.
- 4. Public session for items on the agenda. None.
- 5. Planning.

NFDC Ref	Address	Works
24/10808	LAND ADJACENT COLVILLE, VICARAGE LANE, HORDLE, LYMINGTON, SO41 0HS	Two-storey detached dwelling with linked garage; parking / turning area; ancillary works

Parish 2. We recommend Refusal but would accept the decision reached by the Planning Officers under their delegated powers. Resolved Unanimous. The Parish Council has concerns regarding the access onto the single carriage way of Vicarage Lane; poor sightlines for vehicles on exit/entry to this proposal in addition to vehicles associated with the proposed development of 10 houses. Concern was also raised regarding the accuracy of the red line indicating ownership of a portion of the entry way track. There was further concern regarding the level of hardstanding in the plans and which constitutes overdevelopment of the site. Note was made of the Ecologist's request for assessment and also the need for clarification on how Biodiversity Net Gain would be achieved.

24/10833	UNIT 2, DELL BUILDINGS, MILFORD ROAD,	Extension to office/warehouse building; parking;
	EVERTON, LYMINGTON, SO41 0ED	landscaping

**Parish 1.** We recommend **Permission** but would accept the decision reached by the Planning Officers under their delegated powers. **Resolved Unanimous.** Concerns were raised regarding ongoing issues over the access arrangements for the Otters Nurseries site as a whole, which is a piecemeal development and there have been recent accidents on the A337 at the entrance. The lack of safe pedestrian and disabled access to the site is of particular concern with no dropped kerbs, pedestrian walkways and poor sightlines when crossing the A337 from the bus stop. There is a no regard for more sustainable ways to access the site, which is contrary to HCC's transportation strategy.

One member of the public left the meeting.

## 6. Planning Matters:

- a. The applicant was invited to speak and they outlined the plans that had been previously circulated. Councillors questioned the need to divert the well-used path which has been there for over 100 years and is of historical significance. Suggestions were made for alternative approaches to manage the rhododendrons removal and for hazel coppice to be grown to provide the privacy should the property become further exposed.
  - hazel coppice to be grown to provide the privacy should the property become further exposed. Concerns were expressed that the management works may damage tree root systems in this ancient woodland if machinery is used and that creating the new path would also create damage in its vicinity. Councillors were concerned that the new path would not be to the same standard and may need greater maintenance. They were also concerned about the erection of deer fencing.
- b. **TEN 11664 / LICTE/24/05413 ACH:** 26/10/2024 09:00:00 to 17:00:00; Everton Nurseries, Christchurch Road, Everton, Lymington, SO41 0BF; New Forest Marque Roadshow. The sale by retail of alcohol, 30 persons. **Noted.**

Two members of the public left the meeting.

- **7.** To agree the bank reconciliation and statements for September 2024. These had been circulated in advance and were Agreed Unanimous.
- **8.** To agree the monthly payment schedule for October 2024. This had been circulated in advance and was Agreed Unanimous.
- 9. To note the conclusion of Audit 2023-24. This is available on the website. Noted.
- 10. To note the 6 month budget out-turn. Noted.
- **11.** To note the Minutes of the Finance, Audit & Compliance Committee meeting on 8<sup>th</sup> October 2024. The meeting was not quorate and no business was therefore transacted. **Noted.**
- 12. To agree the following policies:
  - a. Grant Policy. Agreed unanimous.
  - b. Health & Safety, Home & Lone Working Policy. Agreed unanimous.
  - c. Code of Conduct. Agreed unanimous.
  - d. Press & Media Policy. Agreed unanimous.
  - e. Safeguarding Policy. Agreed unanimous.
- **13.** To agree the insurance requirements and quotes for **2024-5.** 2 quotes were received, it was proposed to take up Quote A. Agreed unanimous.
- **14. To agree to participate in the Cycle to Work scheme.** Following discussion, it was agreed to participate in the scheme and that delegated powers be given to the HR committee to agree final details and implementation at its next meeting. **Agreed unanimous.**
- **15.** To receive a report on Golden Hill Working Party and Hordle Environmental Group. This was circulated in advance. Received.

- 16. To agree an extension to the 10 year-lease of the land of the Scout Hut for 5 additional years. Agreed unanimous.
- **17. To note the arrangements for Remembrance Sunday.** The Deputy Clerk confirmed Councillor support for the day. **Noted.**
- **18. To consider Parish Council Health and Safety Issues.** Cllr Rook informed those present that there have been large numbers of empty alcohol bottles left on footpaths in Everton.
- **19. To receive the Clerk's report and correspondence.** This was circulated in advance and forms part of background papers. The Deputy Clerk thanked District Cllr Ward for her grant of £200 which has been used for new pots and planting at the War Memorial.
- **20. To receive the Chair's report.** The Chair reported on items discussed at meetings attended. Hordle Community Association is investigating new boiler/showers, new bar fittings and installation of racking in storerooms. The Chair attended the latest meeting of the New Forest Association of Local Councils where the Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan was discussed along with the potential closure of amenity sites as well as the latest Local Plan Review and its call for sites for housing, infrastructure and employment.
- **21. To receive reports from District and County Councillors**. District Cllr Reid requested applications from local groups as he has grant money remaining. He also attended meetings regarding the Local Plan. Cllr Ward informed those present that NFDC are continuing to try to meet the affordable homes target by acquiring sites to build abut also sourcing allocations on sites.
- **22. Matters for Information.** Cllr Knight attended New Forest Disability Annual Public Meeting and fed back that there was a wealth of information available from their knowledgeable and helpful individuals. Cllr Warne Holland noted that The Crown Inn in Everton is due to reopen soon. The Deputy Clerk informed those present that there has been a request for a bin on the corner of Sky End Lane; however, as the verge is not owned by the Parish Council, the request has been forwarded to NFDC's Streetscene Team for further consideration.
- 23. To confirm the dates of the next Parish Council meetings Full Council 19<sup>th</sup> November 2024; HR Committee 22<sup>nd</sup> October; Finance Committee 5<sup>th</sup> November.

The meeting closed at 8:44 pm		
Signed	Dated	