

Public time:

- a. It was reported that a contractor has come out to unblock drain in Priory Lane.
- b. On the B3400 opposite Bombay Sapphire emergency fencing is still in place where a road drain was replaced. **Action:** request removal.
- c. A resident mentioned that they had suggested the Rotary Club as a potential source of funds for the Men's Shed and wondered if this has been progressed. It was thought that Steve Saunders, the treasurer has been in contact with them.
- d. Signage at Watch Lane was brought up. The clerk explained that both Clare Scheckter and the rugby club had been emailed. The rugby club have responded saying they are removing old signs and will use temporary signs for duration of events. They are happy for the PC to request another HCC sign to be seen from Overton side of B3400/Watch Lane junction.
- e. It was noted that the PC had included local Open Gardens in April New&Views and it was suggested that they try and promote the upcoming ones monthly.
- f. It was remarked that Jo had raised the clearing of leaves from the pavement between Laverstoke & Freefolk last month but no action had been taken. **Action:** clerk to request sweeping.
- g. The lapse of the car park plan was raised again. The PC explained once more that any new plan would have rendered the old one obsolete, plus it had been added to the agenda this month (see minute ref. 5)
- h. A resident explained that although they held no animosity to the Bombay Sapphire representatives attending this meeting they were upset that Bombay Sapphire had not met with them. The noise issues and action they have taken (and months of investigation by Environmental Health) has resulted in the March 17th Noise abatement notice served by B&D. They mentioned they had recently sent the PC a letter on the matter. The Order reduces tanker movements from 12th May unless it is challenged by BS in court. They said that it is a recorded provable fact that the tanker movements are causing noise issues. However the issue is not closed because other forms of noise and vibrations are causing an upset to the householder. They have twice offered to meet with BS and had limited response. They have logged 5 complaints over the years. Through the Freedom of Information process they have looked at the original planning application that agreed one tanker per day in normal working hours and that was also discussed in public consultation in 2011. They are now seeing up to 7 HGVs in a 24 hour period. The resident felt that the Chair of the PC at the time had been dismissive of their complaints. They had consistently complained over the last 3 years with no support from the PC, in fact the opposite. Through FOI they have uncovered plans that show sump pumps when they were told there weren't any. The resident said they had been shouted down at meetings and they felt that the PC had 'prostituted' itself to BS and children of councillors were working there. The householder said they have incontrovertible evidence of a statutory issue and are determined to see ongoing action through. They added that BS needs to wake up because the resident has only just started. However, they added that they are still willing to meet and discuss without going to court.

The PC chairman responded that the PC would not be drawn in to debate this matter as the resident had already made clear, by their recent letter, that if the PC got involved they would take legal action. The matter is between the resident and Bombay Sapphire.

1. **Apologies for Absence:** James Morrison. **In attendance:** Bob Hough, Clare Albert, Jo Probut, Charlie Seligman, Jim Marsh and David Ellis.
2. **Declarations of Interest.** David & Clare: Millennium Green directors; Charlie: WTC
3. **Signed and approved minutes** from meeting of the 14th March 2017
4. **Bombay Sapphire update.** Phil Skipp sent his apologies (son's wedding) and Paul McCardie, Assistant Ops. Manager, attended in his place. With ref. to the noise abatement order he explained BS were in close consultation with B&D and there have been positive, constructive discussions so far.
The householder mentioned change of use of the site when it was going to be a housing development but Cllr Tilbury interjected that there had been no change of use to the Mill site – it had been an industrial site since the 1800s. PC Chairman reiterated that that the PC has been asked by the resident not to get involved.
5. **Investigate feasibility of LIF application for car park in Freefolk .** The PC are investigating use of LIF (Local Infrastructure Funding) for car park in Freefolk. LIF is 75% funded by B&D. The next LIF application round is in August. Bob will request a site meeting/public meeting for all those with an interest. The PC would like a liaison contact in Manor cottages. BS mentioned that if there was to be a community project then it could possibly be involved as part of its Community Social Responsibility programme. BS agreed to send materials specs of their car park.
6. **BT Superfast update for Laverstoke & Freefolk**
Clare explained that on 8th April the 16m ducting in Whitchurch was completed. The start date has not yet been confirmed of the cabling/ jointing route out of Whitchurch (that's taking place on 4 consecutive Sundays). It is hoped that we'll have a date before the next meeting. It was discussed that a Community Fibre Partnership will be needed to get over 24Mb/s and this requires consulting with/support from residents.
7. **Millennium Green Playground update** David is liaising with B&D on how the agreed grant money will be paid i.e. whether any will be paid upfront and the profile of remaining payments. There'll be a basket swing, 2 magnifying posts and a multiplay. Safety surfacing will be removed from around current equipment and replaced with grass-based safety surface. There will be a period of 6 weeks with only the double swing in situ because turf will need to settle before new equipment goes in.
4. **Maintenance, including Annual Grounds Maintenance Contract**
 - 4.1. The Annual ground Maintenance quote had come in at 10% over last year at £1816 for PC (same % increase for Millennium Green). The increase had been queried and the contractor explained they had been losing money on last year's cost. The PC all agreed to go ahead this year and go through a re-tendering process in conjunction with Millennium Green in the Autumn.
 - 4.2. The extension end of roof felting on Lady Rose Hall building had flipped up during recent high winds. The local roofer had advised it was too big a repair for

him and needed insurance company involvement. The insurers asked the clerk to instruct temporary repairs which were expedited the next day by Salnor Roofing. The insurers have requested 2 quotes for permanent repairs. **Action:** Clerk to obtain quotes for final repair

4.3. Sovereign had finally confirmed their agreement of last year to repair the drain cover in front of Manor Cottages. A drain cover has been ordered. **Action:** clerk to keep eye on progress.

4.4. The PC discussed briefly the Lengthsman scheme for which we were put on waiting list last year. **Action:** clerk to investigate

4.5. Village clear had gone well on 18th March

5. **Community Site updates**

5.1. **Pavilion – Water reconnection plan for Men’s Shed.** The Men’s Shed have successfully solved the mystery of how the Pavilion water supply was cut off. When the recent LRH water leak was repaired a new pipe had been installed and re-routed. There had been a tee to the pavilion from the old cut pipe that had been left in situ. PC permission was requested to enable the Men’s Shed to dig up and try and fix the pipe. PC all agreed. Volunteers would be needed for the manual labour.

Clerk had been in contact with Kingfisher over situation and they had noted how the bills had fallen considerably since the pavilion had been cut off. This had led to the conclusion that there may well be leaks along the pipe to the pavilion.

This would necessitate a stop cock being positioned near to the road meter.

5.2. **Lady Rose Hall** – no update beyond that under maintenance

5.3. **Courts & archery area** – no update

6. **Finance**

6.1. March 2017 Summary – see below table. Amounts over £100 ex VAT:

6.1.1. Incoming: Watership Down nursery Feb hire £625, Watership Down Bills £283.90; Watership Down March hire £625

6.1.2. Outgoing: Grant To PCC £500; Grant to Mill Green (Insurance) £816.33; Clerk Feb Salary & News £387; VAT £171.65; Salnor roofing £193.64

7. **Correspondence:**

7.1. **Wildlife Trust Headwaters HLF bid.** Clerk going to meeting with bid team tomorrow to understand details **Action:** Clare to confirm she’ll be L&F coordinator. Advise River Warden Craig Dawson of project.

8. **Planning.** No applications have been received

Next full PC meeting: Tues 16th May 2017 at 7.30pm at Lady Rose Hall

Sign.....Date.....

Laverstoke and Freefolk Parish Council 11th April 2017 Minutes

Laverstoke & Freefolk Parish Council					
Month:	March	Year	17		
	(12 of 12)				
Income and Expenditure Statement (Cash basis)					
	Parish Council		Lady Rose Hall/Community Site		
	Year to Date	Full year	Year to Date	Full year	
	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	
	£	£	£	£	
Precept	10,000	10,000			
Grants	1,442	1,419			
Hall Hire - Nursery			3,125	4,375	
Hall Hire - Other			2,978	2,536	
Other Rent	120	120	1,833	1,833	
Other income	3,154.86	-	1260.00		
Refund			0.00		
Internal Xfr	25		411		
Income	14,742	11,539	9,607	8,744	
Salary/Newsletter	4,494	4,644			
Training	-	30			
Insurance	-	618	953	889	
Professional fees	511	520	198		
Subscriptions	181	305			
Grounds Maint.	1,659	2,200	13	1,203	
Street Lighting	323	426			
Street Furniture	3,150				
SID Management	920	926			
Other expenses	163.48	450			
Cleaning			18		
Utilities			1,589	1,615	
Property Repair/Maint.			1,938	1,179	
Rates	-		977		
Internal Xfr	311				
Running costs	11,711	10,119	5,686	4,886	
Grants	1,516	1,300			
Project Rec Court			8,333	8,333	
Project cost	-	-	8,333	8,333	
Net Vat	- 19		-1528		
Total Expenditure	13,209	11,419	12,491	13,219	
Net income/(cost)	1,533	120	- 2,884	- 4,475	
	As at end:	Full year	As at end:	Full year	
	March	Budget	March	Budget	
	£	£	£	£	
Cash reserves					
b/f @31.3.16	8,877	8,877	33,641	33,641	
Movement	1,533	120	- 2,884	- 4,475	
Cash reserves c/f	10,410	8,997	30,757	29,166	