

Open Forum/Public time:

- a. It was commented that the 17th Feb 3-day expected Whitchurch Road closure that was included in Feb newsletter is likely to be night time-only. This is according to sign boards now up in Whitchurch.
- b. A resident requested that a tree, previously reported as lying across verge is still in situ and clearance needs chasing. {Land owning resident had already dealt with the tree so we are now unsure what this request relates to.}
- c. Reference was made to the of all-party parliamentary group on cycling and walking's manifesto for active travel that was released today. It was felt that this might help our Rotten Hill initiative. **Action:** investigate
- d. A suggestion was made that if local farmer's take up rewilding grants some of their land could then be used to create additional drainage. e.g. at the bottom of Watch Lane
- e. A plan for a grain store at Northington farm was raised. It was suggested that it will be used to dry grain from all the areas around that the farmer uses and could therefore increase traffic on our local lanes.
- f. The state of the pavement between Overton and Laverstoke was raised by James Bretel, especially for those walking with a pram. It is extremely narrow in places due to longstanding vegetation incursion and walkers are forced to move out towards the road. There is an obvious safety issue. **Action:** write letter to B&D to recapture the full width of the pavement.
- g. Borough Cllr Colin Phillimore talked about the current consultation on an additional indoor sports facility in Overton. There is 4G football at Whitchurch, due to being in the school catchment. Overton's badminton club is overly cramped in St. Mary's Hall and the netball team have to play outside the village. There is also table tennis being accommodated (temporarily) in the 'Stute'. Details are on the ORC website and a questionnaire was put in the Feb Overton News&View. A couple of locations have been mooted – at the top of Overton Hill, behind the football pitch and also in the area behind the bottle bank car park. **Action:** include in next newsletter {issue, deadline is 23 Feb so have posted on Facebook instead}
- h. Bombay Sapphire Update – Aaron Osborn came in place of Sam Halsall who is on paternity leave. Production has been as busy as usual with 50 million bottles distilled in the last calendar year. Visitor numbers were close to 100,000. It was raised by the PC that the staff car park needs to be repaired. It was also queried whether there would be an electric charging point in their car park. Overton Climate Change Group have contacted BS and will be enquiring about whether they will move to an electric bus. Jay Basson has taken over as the new GM (covers site in Scotland as well.) BS will have an 'In spirit' day in the summer and would like to know if the PC have any jobs that they can do. Ideas discussed: Brushing the bus shelters, LRH porch cleaning and clearing out behind the courts and quiet garden renovation perhaps in conjunction with replanting that Gill Baker may be planning. **Action:** follow up with Gill and B.S.

1. **Apologies for Absence:** James Morrison

In attendance: Bob Hough, David Ellis, Jo Probut (attended later), Andrew White, James Bretel, Charlie Seligman

2. **Declarations of interest** Bob: Men's Shed, Charlie and David: PCC

3. **Signature and approval of minutes** of PC Meeting on 14th Jan 2020.

4. **Maintenance Items**

- 4.1. The beautiful red Horse Chestnut tree in the Lady Rose Hall garden had been badly damaged in storm Ciara. It is looking v unbalanced now, with large cracks in the remaining trunk. It overhangs the nursery play area and needs felling. **Action:** clerk to organise clearing fallen branches and put in tree application
- 4.2. Village clear up is confirmed as 19th April
- 4.3. David raised the fact that the brick steps down to the archery field beside Kingfisher side of hall still need repairing. Nicky has had 3 people to look at it a couple of years back but only one would quote. Ken Oakes, Poultons Close, bricklayer was suggested by Cllr Colin Phillimore. **Action:** get quotes.
- 4.4. Speed Indicator Device (SID) – showing slow down below 40 on main road. **Action:** request it set properly.
5. **Climate Change:** Charlie suggested that Bombay Sapphire could get involved with Bin the Incinerator campaign {Paul McHardy was sent info in July19. The proposal has been withdrawn on 20th Feb.} Cycleway initiative is awaiting John Buckley to talk to Sustrans highlighting potential of Rotten Hill pathway as an east west linking route to larger north/south routes **Action:** Cllr Ian Tilbury to chase John Buckley. It was reinforced that we should promote and piggyback off Whitchurch and Overton ideas e.g. plastic free July. **Action:** get latest news from Alison Zarecky in Overton. The Church is also looking at looking at working in combination with A Rocha (an international network of environmental organisations with a Christian ethos) to make the church green. Steventon church had a huge turnout to discuss green issues.
6. **Car Park, Freefolk** – The Pc have chased Sovereign and they have still actively looking at our proposal. Their contractor will do a site visit to see what works are required and what the likely costs would be. Then they can make decision whether to proceed. PCC is having issues with residents not leaving their parking spaces free on a Sunday a.m.
7. **Community Site Updates**
 - 7.1. **Men's Shed** – heating still a bit of an issue since the wood burner was stopped. Currently looking at other ideas including wall insulation.
 - 7.2. **LRH** – the downpipe from LRH has detached and should be cleared. New double glazing is needed in one of the large back sliding windows and clearing. **Action:** ask Rene van Leeuwen to clear the gutters. Get quotes for window unit.
 - 7.3. **Archery/Tennis area** Wall plan discussed as per below
8. **Finance Summary Jan20** – see below table where items in red are those that have changed over prior month (excluding totals). Amounts over £100 ex VAT:
 - 8.1.1. **Income:** Watership Down Nursery rent £672.25 & utilities £227.33; L. McGarrigle £100 deposit & £105 hire **Outgoing:** EON £124.61; HMRC £190.58; G. Chivers £2500; Clerk Pay/News £394.74;
9. **Correspondence**
 - 9.1. B&D happy with SID sharing costs
 - 9.2. HCC newsletter – driving down Hampshire's carbon footprint – wild flower verges being left. **Action:** request area from road bridge to thatch bus shelter in Freefolk be considered.
 - 9.3. HCC confirmation of 6th light on front side of Mount Pleasant cottages
 - 9.4. V.E. day 75th anniversary celebration – Bank Hol Fri 8 May – Overton planning sports, a street party and food festival. **Action:** include in newsletter
10. **Planning**

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- 10.1. T/00055/20/TCA Application for works to trees growing in a conservation area:
Proposal: chestnut tree: fell. Playground Laverstoke (heavily pollarded tree opposite Pavilion). Discussed; no comment to be made
- 10.2. 20/00245/FUL | Increasing the height of both the existing 2m high tennis practice wall and side netting by 0.75m to 2.75m | Tennis Courts Laverstoke Lane Laverstoke Hampshire. Discussed; no comment to be made.

Next PC meeting: Tues 10th March 2020 at 7.30pm at Lady Rose Hall

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Laverstoke & Freefolk Parish Council							
Month:	Jan	Year					
	(Mnth 10 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		n/a	n/a	
Grants		331	331		2,130	-	
Hall Hire - Nursery		n/a	n/a		6,633	8,067	
Hall Hire - Other		n/a	n/a		1,102	1,500	
Other Rent (garages, WTC & Arch		-	120		1,903	1,833	
Other income (PC- interest, CC- V		7	20		4,396	1,540	
Income		10,338	10,471		16,164	12,940	
Salary/Newsletter		3,947	4,737		n/a	n/a	
Training		65			n/a	n/a	
Insurance		-	765		2,231	650	
Professional fees		793	750		61	-	
Grounds Maint.		1,176	1,560		-	500	
Street Lighting		346	343		n/a	n/a	
Street Furniture		-	-		n/a	n/a	
SID Management		-	957		n/a	n/a	
Other expenses		554	159		n/a	n/a	
Cleaning		n/a	n/a		27	200	
Utilities		n/a	n/a		1,591	2,090	
Bldgs Repair/Maint.		n/a	n/a		2,907	2,000	
Bldgs Planned Maint.		n/a	n/a		318	610	
Rates		n/a	n/a			-	
Running costs		6,881	9,271		7,135	6,050	
Grants Made		1,000	1,200				
Project cost			-		5,180	-	
Net Vat		387			- 4,825		
Total Expenditure		8,269	10,471		7,491	6,050	
Net income/(cost)		2,070	-		8,674	6,890	
		As at end:	Full year		As at end:	Full year	
		Jan	Budget		Jan	Budget	
		£	£		£	£	
Cash reserves							
b/f @31.3.19		5,053	5,053		38,048	38,048	
Movement		2,070	-		8,674	-	
Cash reserves c/f		7,123	5,053		46,722	38,048	