

Laverstoke and Freefolk PC Meeting 9 Jan 2023 Minutes

Public Time

- a. A resident reported a drain issue opposite Marsden Court by Bombay Sapphire. Also, that the Stella & Reg Dredge bench opposite St Mary's lychgate is in need of a new base. They queried interests at a recent meeting where a Cert of Lawfulness application was discussed and were informed that 2 of the councillors had rightly absented themselves from the decision making. They also reported that the kerbstones on the St Nicholas turning to Canterbury Cottage pavement are in a poor state of repair and that a huge pothole has appeared at Rotten Hill by Church Lodge.

Borough Councillor Update

Cllr Phillimore sent apologies and a written update explaining that the emerging local plan is going to Regulation 18 stage. After this, B&DBC only needs to demonstrate a 4 rather than 5-year land supply. This means that the BC will no longer be open to speculative bids. The Portals site is also now within the plan, as supported by the Overton community.

County Councillor Update

Cllr Juliet Henderson sent a written report. From 1 Jan 24 residents using Household Waste Recycling Centres will no longer be charged for disposing of their DIY waste - in line with the Government policy changes. The deadline for Sept 24 primary school places is 15 Jan. The Hants Minerals & Waste plan 8-week consultation is due to start on 8 Jan. HCC's Local Nature Recovery Strategy is launching a residents survey asking where they would like to see improvements for nature recovery & nature priorities in their area. A Highways Service Annual Review report for 2022/23 offers useful insights into the Highways team's activity over what has been an exceptionally busy and challenging period. A number of these items were included in the Jan newsletter.

1. Apologies for Absence: None.

In attendance: David Ellis, Jo Probut, Andrew White, Diccon Harvey, Jayne Hudson, Jim Marsh

2. Declarations of interest - David: PCC, Millennium Green;

3. Signature & approval of Minutes 5 Dec PC Meeting – approved and signed.

4. Bombay Sapphire Update – Helen sent her apologies and will come to Feb meeting instead. A programme called Shake Your Future aimed at the unemployed will offer 1 month work experience in March via agencies. **Action:** suggest Helen includes in L&F newsletter

5. Maintenance – Kevin Ennis from B&D street cleaning team has a team litter picking the footpath on Rotten Hill on Sat 27 Jan, weather-permitting.

6. Project List

6.1. **Footpaths. Permissive paths** - The Millennium Green is finalising permission for a new permissive path. It is hoped that the PC can then work on another which would make Laverstoke to Priory Lane/pub access easier. Risks would need to be assessed. **Definitive path reinstatement** - for latest on L&F reinstatement registrations we could follow up with Paul Howland.

6.2. **Rough car park – Action:** get quotes to scrape mud and maximise available space.

6.3. **Football Lights – Action:** Confirm insurance in order and liaise with Colin Phillimore

6.4. **Wooden love token** – Ensure permissive paths sorted before considering renovation. The wooden cross and stonework are deteriorating. **Action:** In first instance, Andrew to organise volunteer working party to clear the moss and tidy. Nicky to liaise with landowner first.

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- 6.5. **Tree condition** – This would benefit from zoning plan. Millennium Green considering tree condition report **Action:** create risk Zone plan and discuss coordinating with Mill Green for tree surveys
- 6.6. **Screen (Large TV) for PC Meetings.** It is in this FY budget. **Action:** Andrew & Nicky to sort
- 6.7. **Rough car park beside Manor Cottages.** **Action:** liaise with neighbouring resident who offered to plan area
- 6.8. **Wildflower areas on Archery Field – Action:** Completed, close off from project list
- 6.9. **PC Comms Banner** – was agreed last year. Lack of progress on logo holding this up. **Action.** Create generic PC Meeting banner.
7. **Maintenance**
- 7.1. LRH roof has couple of leaks that need patching up, one in LRH loo and one in Kingfisher. Longer term, a new roof with pitch might be better. **Action:** consider asking James Bretel for first thoughts.
8. **Finance**
- 8.1. See Dec report at end of minutes & Jo has checked & signed bank rec.
- 8.2. Items over £150:

Laverstoke & Freefolk Parish Council		Items over £150	
Reporting Year:		Year to 31 March 2024 (9 of 12)	
Month:		December 2023	
Sum of Net			
Supplier	Description	Months	Total
British Gas	Electricity	Dec	£(291.04)
Clerk	Clerk salary	Dec	£(396.36)
Watership Down Nursery	Nursery rent	Dec	£ 2,525.00
Kingfisher Day Centre	Insurance contribution	Dec	£ 1,054.54
Euroloos Limited	Portaloo	Dec	£(257.14)

- 8.3. **Approval of payments over £300** - none
- 8.4. **Precept setting.** The 2024/25 budget was approved at last meeting with large items to come out of reserves. David proposed and Diccon seconded increasing the precept by 2% to £10,200 to cover increases in costs. All agreed.
9. **Community site**
- 9.1. **Pavilion** – It was discussed that a second quote for drains has been received. This would require permission to dig through the Millennium Green. Quotes received are for £7500 inc. vat (relining) & £7242 inc. vat (new drains). Although a sad decision, the Men's Shed need to know that the PC are not prepared to pay for the drain repair. TVMS have declined all offers for repairing leases so the PC should now suggest they look for alternative accommodation. If the Men's Shed wish, the PC could help ease the process by contacting Whitchurch & Overton PC and making the Councillors aware. The Portaloo should be terminated at end of Feb as this is costing £4000 p.a. and cannot be sustained. **Action:** email TVMS re drains, portaloo and contacting Parish Councils and Cllrs re. alternative accommodation. Check Portaloo deadlines.
David and Jim are also meeting the Tennis club on 22 Jan.
- 9.2. **Tennis & archery area**
- 9.2.1. Although, the PC has not heard more from the archers regarding their shelter, it was raised by Diccon that given the leylandii hedge height, a low cost disguised green roof shelter could be a possibility. The archers would need to engage with the community. Archery fits well with the Community and is a good sport to host.

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9.3. **LRH** – Awaiting report from building condition survey undertaken in Dec. **Action:** send Insurance rebuild valuation (IRV) to insurers

10. Correspondence

10.1. **B&DBC S106 plans needed for Open Space, Equipped play, sports facilities & allotments.** – Archery shelter could fall under this.

10.2. **Hampshire Forest Partnership has funding for Community Orchards.** **Action:** Pass info to Clare & Holly for Millennium Green Quiet Garden. The Shoots for the Roots contact had confirmed it was a perfect spot. Maintenance would have to be considered.

10.3. **HCC passenger transport Forum events** – A resident requested a hardcopy timetable of buses from Basingstoke to e.g. the hospital or Kingsclere buses timetable

10.4. David reminded everyone of the Code of conduct training on 16 Jan - all requested to attend

10.5. **B&D/HCC Local Nature Recovery Strategy** – survey on recovery ideas **Action.** Include in newsletter

10.6. **B&D Local Plan updated for 9 Jan Cabinet meeting with expected consultation at end Jan** – as per Borough Cllr update.

11. **Planning** – no plans to discuss

Next PC meeting: 6 Feb 2024 7.30pm in Lady Rose Hall.

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

Laverstoke & Freefolk Parish Council
Reporting Year: Year to 31 March 2024 (9 of 12)

Income and Expenditure Statement (Cash basis)
Month: December 2023

All £	Parish Council				Community Site				Total		
	Month	YTD	Full year Budget	Budget Remaining	Month	YTD	Full year Budget	Budget Remaining	Month	YTD	Full year Budget
Precept	-	10,000	10,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	10,000	10,000
Grants	-	512	340	(172)	-	5,104	-	(5,104)	-	5,616	340
Donations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hall Hire - Nursery	-	-	-	-	2,525	7,127	9,635	2,508	2,525	7,127	9,635
Hall Hire - Other	-	-	-	-	100	1,247	1,900	653	100	1,247	1,900
Hall Hire deposit	-	-	-	-	(100)	(200)	-	200	(100)	(200)	-
Cost Recoveries	-	-	-	-	1,055	3,209	4,356	1,147	1,055	3,209	4,356
Site Rent	-	-	-	-	-	1,943	1,943	(0)	-	1,943	1,943
Other Income	-	21	9	(12)	-	437	-	(437)	-	458	9
Interest Income	100	556	-	(556)	-	-	-	-	100	556	-
Total Income	100	11,088	10,349	(739)	3,580	18,867	17,834	(1,033)	3,679	29,956	28,183
Contribution	-	-	850	850	-	-	(850)	(850)	-	-	-
PC/CC cost charges	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Transfers	-	-	850	850	-	-	(850)	(850)	-	-	-
Salary/Newsletter	(396)	(3,716)	(5,056)	(1,340)	(44)	(410)	(550)	(140)	(440)	(4,126)	(5,606)
Training	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Insurance	-	-	(299)	(299)	-	(3,717)	(2,807)	910	-	(3,717)	(3,106)
Professional fees	-	(733)	(757)	(24)	-	(13)	(14)	(1)	-	(746)	(771)
IT costs	(2)	(319)	(313)	6	-	(58)	(64)	(6)	(2)	(377)	(377)
Grounds Maint.	-	(1,196)	(1,477)	(281)	-	(670)	(872)	(202)	-	(1,866)	(2,349)
Street Lighting & Furniture	-	(481)	(598)	(117)	-	-	-	-	-	(481)	(598)
SID Management	-	-	(732)	(732)	-	-	-	-	-	-	(732)
Utilities	-	-	-	-	(417)	(5,545)	(4,815)	730	(417)	(5,545)	(4,815)
Bldgs Repair/Maint.	-	-	-	-	(287)	(3,735)	(7,850)	(4,115)	(287)	(3,735)	(7,850)
Bldgs Planned Maint.	-	-	-	-	(19)	(1,376)	(837)	539	(19)	(1,376)	(837)
Equipment	-	-	-	-	-	(30)	(600)	(571)	-	(30)	(600)
Cleaning	-	-	-	-	-	(29)	-	29	-	(29)	-
Other expenses	(13)	(415)	(374)	41	(5)	(50)	(566)	(516)	(18)	(465)	(940)
Total Expenses	(411)	(6,861)	(9,606)	(2,745)	(772)	(15,631)	(18,975)	(3,344)	(1,183)	(22,492)	(28,581)
Grants Made	-	(900)	(900)	-	-	-	-	-	-	(900)	(900)
Project costs	-	-	(600)	(600)	-	(9,665)	(5,000)	4,665	-	(9,665)	(5,600)
Net Vat	34	20	-	(20)	765	141	-	(141)	799	161	-
Net cash Movement	(277)	3,348	93	(3,255)	3,572	(6,288)	(6,991)	(703)	3,295	(2,940)	(6,898)
Reserves/cash b/f	8,410	4,785	5,147	362	56,886	66,745	63,459	(3,287)	65,296	71,530	68,606
Reserves/cash c/f	8,133	8,133	5,240	(2,893)	60,458	60,458	56,468	(3,990)	68,590	68,590	61,708