

# Boldre Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2014 at  
6.30pm Boldre War Memorial Hall.

Council members:	Mrs A Bolton	Mr R Channell
Chairman Mr I Wild	Mrs A Grainger	* Mr B Goodall
*Vice Chairman Mr C Wise	Dr J Horsfall	Mr J Puttick
Clerk & RFO Mrs J Coe	Mr P Tanner	Mr A Wooldridge
	*= Absent members	

Members of the public in attendance 6

Chairman Wild allowed 3 minutes representation from members of the public to speak on the following:

Pat Langfelder attended the Environmental meeting at Winchester and informed the members that there was a vacancy within the 20mph speed trial scheme and wanted the Council to consider applying for the scheme.

A resident spoke about flooding that they were experiencing in Hundred Lane, Portmore and said that the high tide of the Lymington River caused a back up of water in the drains. Excess water running off the field behind Hundred Lane couldn't go into the ditches, as properties to the east had blocked ditches so it left nowhere for the water to go. This problem occurred in 1990, 1994 and 2013 and the resident urged the members to support them in discussions with \*NFDC and \*HCC.

*Ken Thornber said that he would meet with Chairman Wild and an engineer at the site to look at possible solutions.*

**1. Apologies for absence:** Cllr Wise & Cllr Goodall

**2. Declarations of interest in items on the agenda-** Cllr Channell non pecuniary interest on tree application

**3. Minutes – Resolved:** That the minutes of the meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> January 2014 be taken as read and signed as a true record

#### **4.0 Clerk's report**

Relevant emails and correspondence circulated.

The Clerk attended the Wildlife Forum and thought it was very informative and mentioned how important trees were for drawing up and retaining water.

The new website has been designed and waits \*NFDC to make it available to the public.

The Clerk attended Speed Watch training along with residents from Boldre and Speed Watch will be happening as soon as the volunteers have been vetted by the police.

#### **5.0 To receive a report by County Councillor for Boldre –**

Cllr Thornber said that for the 5<sup>th</sup> year in succession the council tax would remain frozen despite having to save £93m.

The Environmental Transport Select Committee officers are advising that Hampshire needs speed trials of 20mph and will trial this in rural areas. Sway is being considered and I will also request that Boldre be considered if that is what Boldre Parish Council wants.

Superfast broadband is coming to fruition and Boldre, East Boldre, Exbury, Lepe and Denny Lodge will be the first 'hard to reach' areas implemented.

With regards to Tanners Lane – the parcel of land to the right is owned by Lord Teynham and to the left is privately owned. However, there is a strip in the middle that is not owned by anyone and I was looking into the possibility of \*HCC purchasing the land. I have been advised that we can apply for a "right of way" of access to the land, as this has been used for more than two centuries. \*HCC is seriously considering applying for a right of way. Chairman Wild mentioned that parking and signage also need to be resolved and CC Thornber said that this would be looked at when the right of way was completed. Some Parishioners view the double yellow lines that have been laid down as urbanisation of a rural area; however, the real priority is the right of way.

The Chairman read out a letter from a resident in support of raising the precept to clear ditches and Cllr Thornber mentioned the lengthsman scheme, which a number of parishes are using. Chairman Wild said that people should be encouraged to clear out their ditches; ditches are ineffective if only parts are cleared while other parts remain blocked. Cllr Bolton agreed with Cllr Channell that if ditches were cleared and maintained then the roads would be better. Cllr Thornber said that there is a £10m increase in addition to the £32m for resilience operation, with a further £6m added to the budget to look at problem roads. He added that \*HCC get requests to fill in drains.

Chairman Wild said that the Parish Council is looking at mapping out the drains and would give a copy to Highways.

Cllr Thornber informed members that the railway bridge works at Latchmore will continue for another month. Shirley Holms Road was being attended to at Cobblers Corner, as there was a hole in the cattle grid and at one stage Sway was cut off. The 40mph speed limit from Brockenhurst to Sandydown was in force, but it remains 50mph by the Hobbler public house. Cllr Puttick asked if it could be reduced to Lymington, but at the moment this was not possible, as it couldn't be enforced. Cllr Thornber will ask the engineer if it could be included in the speed reduction.

## **6.0 Finance**

**6.01** To agree payments in accordance with the budget.

This was received and confirmed by all Council members – Resolved

**6.2** Bank Reconciliation- This was checked by the Chairman and was received and confirmed by the Council with a balance account of £17,024.61

**6.3** It was resolved to grant £150.00 to Boldre Outings Club

## **7.0 Planning –**

**7.01** The planning applications were agreed and are attached at the end of the minutes.

Cllr Puttick also requested a letter to be sent to enforcement re: Green Ash following on from the conditions of the planning application not being adhered to – It was resolved to send a letter to enforcement via the clerk.

## **7.02 Highways defect log – circulated**

- *Members discussed drainage problems and a suggestion was made to send letters to residents. Cllr Channell said that he had asked Mr Hibberd from Highways if they ever carry out enforcement and Chairman Wild will also raise the matter with CCllr Thornber for further clarity. Cllr Tanner said to raise the precept to pay for clearing ditches. Cllr Bolton said that no one would then clear their ditches. Cllr Channell also said that hedges should also be maintained to help keep ditches clear.*
- *8.15pm -The chairman closed the meeting at this point to allow a resident to speak on Tanners Lane. The resident felt that the Parish Council had done nothing to stop the double yellow lines and that the beach should be enjoyed by everyone and was not private– Chairman Wild updated him on the right of way and that the double yellow lines would be discussed at a later date. He also advised that the Parish Council has been working with HCC on the matter and this was ongoing – meeting re-opened 8.20pm*

**8. 00 Amenities** - Amenities met with the Chairman of Boldre Royals and issues were raised for improved heating of the pavilion and line marking for spectators to stand two meters back from the pitch. A good working relationship is developing with Boldre Royals and communication is key. Cllr Grainger mentioned that they had been driving onto the field from the Burnt House lane entrance. The clerk will remind them that this is not permitted without marshalling. It was also agreed in principle that a barrier was required as soon as possible for

the play area (add to next agenda). The clerk also mentioned that the play area needed some works and a request was made for Cllr Wise to grant some funding for this from his budget, which will be carried forward to the next agenda for a formal request to be made.

### **8.01 Update on parking at the pavilion grounds**

Cllr Channell, Cllr Wooldridge and Cllr Puttick met with Ms Young and Ms Kelly from \*NFNPA and during the meeting they pointed out that the Burnt House Lane site was the most appropriate place to put a car park. They were happy with the revised plans, but it would have to be referred to the Tree Officer and Highways. Cllr Bolton congratulated Cllr Channell on his presentation and all members agreed. It was resolved to have a further consultation with the public before the plans are submitted to \*NFNPA. The date is to be confirmed.

### **9.00 Tanners Lane – see no 5 & 7 on going**

**10.00 To discuss representation at Parish Fetes –** It was resolved to be present at the fetes and the Council awaits the dates to confirm availability of members.

**11.00 To receive information from councillors regarding matters from external meetings:** Cllr Channell & Cllr Bolton attended the Wildlife Forum and also the quadrant meeting (minutes of this to be circulated). Cllr Channell said that the presentation from Ms Kelly's on "Advice and guidance for owners of properties adjoining the open forest" was very useful, but would be better if it could be enforced. Cllr Puttick requested that a meeting be held with planning due to the reoccurring problems with amended plans not being specific with scale and height – action clerk

**11.00 To confirm that the next meeting will be held on the 10<sup>th</sup> March 2014 at Boldre War Memorial Hall and the AGM 17<sup>th</sup> March – Resolved**

Meeting closed at 9.30pm

**Circulation:- Councillors: Wild, Wise, Bolton, Grainger, Channell, Goodall, Puttick, Horsfall, Tanner, Wooldridge, Cllr Thornber**

\*New Forest National Park Authority \*Hampshire County Council \*County Councilor

Site Address	Description of Works	N.P.A. Date	Comment made to N.P.A. and date submitted.	Adopted by parish council
Shallowmead Cottage Boldre			Revised Comment 5	10/2/14
Woodlands Sandydown			Amended comment 5	10/2/14
Woodley Farm Windmill House			Comment not available at present as more information requested.....	10/2/14
Rivercroft Undershore Road			Comment 4 BPC feels the proposed design to result in an unacceptably bulky impact. A lower roofline would considerably improve the look of the property, making the extension subservient to the main building (Design Guide P. 29, B. P. D. Statement P. 10 ) BPC notes that as a part of this appl. it is proposed to incorporate a second garage into the habitable accommodation of this property & queries whether this increase of size has been taken into account. Was the floor area of the external store/garage and the existing garage taken into account in the calculation of the original floor space?	10/2/14