

## Boldre Parish Council (BPC) - Meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> July 2019

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Present: Alison Bolton Pamela Keen Oliver Moore Jacqui England  
Lester Mortimer Caroline Trotter Tina Carroll Peter Lock  
Patrick Kempe Jo Humphreys

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Two residents spoke in favour of the New Forest National Park Authority (NPA) Planning Application 19/00243 for a new stable block at Lower Riversdale, Royden Lane, Boldre.

Another resident spoke in favour of the NPA Planning Application 19/00439 for extensions at Keepings, Norley Wood Road, Norley Wood. BPC had only just received a Parish Briefing Note from the NPA which now clarified the proposed extensions.

A further resident spoke in favour of the NPA Planning Application 19/00473. Plans and drawing were circulated. Clarification was made that the revisions would result in extensions below a 30% increase in overall size, but BPC could only comment of this original application. A revised application would be assessed in the future, if submitted.

Finally, a resident spoke in favour of the NPA Planning Application 19/00498 for Deeracres, Lisle Court Road, Lymington for a replacement outbuilding.

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Mr Bernard Atkinson gave a thorough overview of the status of the Community Shop/Post Office (The Shop). The shop belongs to the community and is run on a no loss, no profit basis. Satisfactory progress has been made over the recent past including updating and increasing sales space at the rear of the property. Much useful information is gathered via the powerful End Point of Sale (EPoS) till facility. Stock of between £3500 and £9000 is kept in place.

The staff (mostly volunteers) are known to be welcoming and effective, led by Ms Caroline Darke. However, many more volunteers would be welcome to ease the workload of those already employed.

The existing location is excellent, but alternatives have to be considered. The shop is considered viable as good synergy exists between the Post Office and shop sides of the business.

The Post Office Ltd is the retail company in the United Kingdom that provides a wide range of products including postage stamps and banking to the public through its nationwide network of post office branches. However, this organisation only pays for some 22.5 hours per week, reduced from 36 hours per week some time ago, whereas the facility is made available for at least 40 hours by existing staff.

Boldre Parish Council are shareholders of The Shop and are keen to continue to offer this community initiative its' full support. BPC representatives will be present at the rearranged Annual General Meeting on 14th October 2019

Questions were asked by Councillors about possible purchase of The Shop and the containing property. The existing 7 year lease expires in October 2022. The landlord is not thought to be in favour of renewing the lease, and funds are unlikely to enable any offer to be made for the freehold of the property.

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### Meeting minutes

			ACTION	
<b>1</b>	<b>Apologies for Absence</b>		Cllr Eden & Cllr White	
<b>2</b>	<b>Declarations of Interest</b>		None declared.	
<b>3</b>	<b>Minutes of the last meeting</b>		The minutes of the meeting held on 10 <sup>th</sup> June 2019 were approved by Council and signed by Cllr Moore.	
<b>4</b>	<b>Matters Arising</b>			
13 Nov 2017	13.2	Fleur-de-Lys Public House	<u>Car park area</u> – No reply from Enterprize Inns. Close for now.	
12 Feb 2018	9.5	Recreation Access	Awaiting more information. Close for now.	
13 Aug 2018	9.1	S.Baddesley school	Traffic Plan still required from the School. A letter was sent to the Head Teacher on 5 <sup>th</sup> July 2019	Monitor
10 Sept 2018	5.2	Planning Appeal	2 Tanners Lane, East End - Enforcement upheld	Monitor
14 Jan 2019	7.4	Norley Wood	Triangle – Ask Lengthsman to repair and re-seed in late summer	Clerk
11 Mar 2019	8.4	Verge Cutting	Highways to request only 2 cuts for 2020 onward in the urban stretch between the shop and The Red Lion.	Highways sub-group
11 Mar 2019	15.4	Repairs by Groundsman	The BWMH Notice Board still needs attention	Clerk to chase
8 Apr 2019	7.4	Wild Play	Cllr Humphreys investigating options for the Recreation Ground with W.Gilpin school.	Cllr Humphreys
8 Apr 2019	8.1	Bridleway B6	Grant application to be made, with caveats to HantsCC & the NPA.	Clerk
13 May 2019	10.2	Planning	The Lodge – Passford Farm Another application has been submitted	Monitor
13 May 2019	10.3	Monopole	Whitelink have appealed against the retrospective planning refusal. BPC letter sent to The Planning Inspectorate. No further news.	Monitor
10 June 2019	9.3.2	AGAR	Annual Governance & Accountability Return sent to, and received by, the External Auditor. Key information added to the BPC website.	Close
10 June 2019	9.3.3	Policies	Cllr Carroll has started a review, but templates have not been forthcoming from HALC.	
10 June 2019	10.5	New Forest Shakespeare	Email sent to festival organisers. No response to date	Monitor

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<b>5</b>	<b>Planning</b>		
5.1	BPC Planning	<p>The full agreed Planning recommendations to the <u>New Forest NPA</u> are attached at the bottom of these minutes, to be sent to their Development Control section.</p> <p>The recommendations agreed unanimously, were (in summary):</p> <p>19/00243 - Lower Riversdale, Royden Lane, Boldre - Comment 5 Proposed by Cllr Trotter, seconded by Cllr Mortimer</p> <p>19/00412 - 3 Lisle Court Cottages - Comment 5 Proposed by Cllr Mortimer, seconded by Cllr Kempe</p> <p>19/00434 - Ramsley, Southampton Road, Boldre - Comment 5 Proposed by Cllr Mortimer, seconded by Cllr Trotter.</p> <p>19/00439 - Keepings, Norley Wood - Comment 5 Proposed by Cllr Trotter, seconded by Cllr Mortimer</p> <p>19/00473 - Myrtle Cottage, Royden Lane, Boldre - Comment 4 Proposed by Cllr Moore, seconded by Cllr Trotter.</p> <p>19/00498 - Deeracres, Lisle Court Road - Comment 5 Proposed by Cllr Kempe, seconded by Cllr Mortimer</p> <p>19/00501 - The Lodge Annex, Passford Farm - Comment 4 Proposed by Cllr Moore, seconded by Cllr Carroll</p> <p>Documents for the following applications had not been received:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 19/00432 The Gables, Snooks Lane</li> <li>• 19/00442 Sumaya, Undershore</li> <li>• 19/00455 Santa Fe, Church lane, Boldre</li> </ul> <p>In the absence of any information or Parish Briefing Notes BPC was unable to comment on applications for Certificates of Lawful Development</p>	Clerk
5.2		<p>BPC agreed they would help the New Forest NPA monitor developments with their enforcement team.</p> <p>Cllr Moore to confirm with Mr Steve Avery</p>	Cllr Moore
<b>6</b>	<b>County Council</b>		
6.1	Councillor's Report	Cllr White was not at this meeting	
<b>7</b>	<b>Parish Maintenance</b>		
7.1	Highways	High priority Issues are to be chased again with H.Highways:	
7.1.1	Parish Traffic & Speeds	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An Engineer's Survey has been requested, but H.Highways are asking for funding . Clerk will press for a meeting with the HantsCC Team Leader, Traffic and Safety. Cllr White (HantsCC) and Cllr Duke (NFDC) will be invited. HantsCC has indicated a charge will be made</li> </ul>	Clerk

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7.1.2	Hurstly Lane, Sandy Down	<p>for all survey points used. BPC wish to know exactly what will be delivered by such a survey which may cost several hundred pounds.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A large warning sign has been erected at the entrance to Sandy Down. This is not what was requested by local residents. Clerk to question the positioning and wording of this sign.</li> </ul>	Clerk
7.1.3	Bull Hill X-Roads	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cllr Moore will press for dates and action as a further Road Traffic Incident has occurred in the past few days</li> </ul> <p>Many other issues are under review for action by the BPC Highways sub-group.</p>	Cllr Moore
7.2	Amenities		
7.2.1	The 112 bus on Saturdays	<p>Very disappointing that only three responses have so far been received about possible ways the service could be replaced. Notices, The Bridge and Facebook have been used.</p> <p>Further communication attempts including churches, local public houses and perhaps door-knocking are to be used, plus further contact with Hythe &amp; Dibden Parish Council.</p> <p>No further news from East Boldre Parish Council in the past few weeks.</p>	Cllr Trotter Cllr England Clerk
7.2.2	Footpath Allocation	Some revisions to responsibilities for footpath inspections were agreed. A revised listing will be circulated to Councillors.	Clerk
7.2.3	Football requests	<p>Lymington Town reserves request for use of a senior football pitch and the pavilion has been withdrawn.</p> <p>However, Lymington Sprites juniors have confirmed they would like to play two pre-season matches, but will not require shower facilities. We understand this initial use may lead to further matches for juniors, and perhaps a ladies team.</p>	
7.2.4	Mowing	Mowing the football pitch at 25mm will be requested in the next few weeks.	
7.2.5	Play Area Inspection	The independent Play Area inspection report has repeated the suggestion that the central bearing of the Pendulum swing requires attention. Full inspection by a Councillor and Groundsman has not found any problems. Clerk to check again with the inspector, inviting him to visit when passing.	

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7.2.6		Play Area Cradle Swing	A proposal to replace the second cradle swing seat was agreed unanimously. Clerk to action.	Clerk
7.2.7		Dragons Teeth	Site meeting held with Forestry England's Verge Restoration Officer on 8 <sup>th</sup> July in Norley Wood. Explanation that new Dragons Teeth would be installed 0.6M from the highway in to encourage verge regrowth. Several residents were present and were advised to view similar work recently undertaken in East Boldre.  Checks to be made by Councillors of the impact on school buses near the local Parish Notice Board. Allowance for 1.0M to be made at this location.	Cllrs Keen and Mortimer
7.2.8		Parish Guide	Progress made with proposed layout and contents (Cllrs Keene & Humphreys, with the Clerk)	
<b>8</b>		<b>Recreation Development</b>	The Home Education Group have not yet responded with regard to use of the pavilion.  In the meantime, storage of Bees Knees equipment was approved, using one room in the pavilion, free of charge until the end of September. However, this equipment is stored at the risk of Bees Knees. Clerk to confirm with this organisation.	Cllrs Kempe & Eden  Clerk
<b>9</b>		<b>Finance</b>		
9.1		Payments	Payments of £2263.47 for July 2019 were approved.	
9.2		Bank Reconciliation	The reconciliation for June 2019 was confirmed.	
9.3		Grant Application	A grant of £250 was approved to the New Forest Citizens Advice Bureaux.	
<b>10</b>		<b>Clerk's Notes</b>		
10.1		Superfast Broadband	New government funding has been announced for people living in rural areas, as well as businesses in rural areas, to get help with the cost of installing superfast broadband. Further details can be found at <a href="https://gigabitvoucher.culture.gov.uk/rural/">https://gigabitvoucher.culture.gov.uk/rural/</a>	
<b>11</b>		<b>IT Summary</b>	Cllr Moore described the need to improve the backup facilities for BPC information, and the need to replace the Clerk's laptop as Windows 7 will have no Microsoft support from 2020. BPC approved the purchase of a suitable laptop costing up to £700, plus back-up facilities costing about £8.50 per month.	
<b>12</b>		<b>External Meetings</b>	None attended this month	
<b>13</b>		<b>Other Business</b>		
	13.1	Members interests	Two forms to be completed	Clerk

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	13.2	Tree Surveyor	Clerk will request that the NPA communicate directly with our Tree Surveyor, with copies to Cllr Bolton and the Clerk.	Clerk
	13.3	Enforcement	Two cases to be investigated. Clerk to contact the NPA about: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The Barn at Passford Farm</li> <li>2. The apparent use of the outbuilding at Island View as residential accommodation.</li> </ol>	
	13.4	BPC Strimmer	The groundsman's strimmer has failed. A 'professional' standard replacement costing up to £750 was approved by BPC.	
	13.5	Footpath F17	Cllr Keen will contact the Pylewell Estate seeking cut-back work commitment as of September 2019	
<b>15</b>	<b>Next Meeting</b>		The next BPC meeting is on Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> August 2019, in Boldre War Memorial Hall at 6.30pm	

The meeting closed at 21:30 hrs

### Log of Parish Recommendations to the **New Forest NPA** in July 2019

19/00243	Lower Riversdale, Royden Lane, Boldre, Lymington, SO41 8PE	Stable block	<u>Comment 5</u>
19/00412	3 Lisle Court Cottages Lisle Court Road Lymington SO41 5SH	Single storey side extension	<u>Comment 5</u>
19/00434	Ramsley, Southampton Road, Boldre, Lymington, SO41 8PT	Detached outbuilding with office over	<u>Comment 4</u> Boldre Parish Council objects to the vast scale of this proposed outbuilding, in particular the height of nearly 6 metres, which would be excessive in this rural setting.
19/00439	Keepings Norley Wood Road, Norley Wood, Lymington SO41 5RS	Two storey extensions; single storey extensions; 3no. replacement dormers; 5no. roof lights; alterations to fenestration	<u>Comment 5</u> Boldre Parish Council has a policy of trying to maintain the rural scale of its historic dwellings and preventing considerable further enlargement. Parish Briefing Notes were not received early enough for this application, and this was originally a Comment 4.

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19/00473	Myrtle Cottage, Royden Lane, Boldre, Lymington, SO41 8PJ	Two storey rear extension, conservatory; replacement porch; alterations to fenestration; re-roofing (Demolition of existing conservatory)	<u>Comment 4</u> The NPA calculations indicate the proposal would result in a 35% increase contrary to policy DP11. BPC is also concerned that it is sited adjacent to a very rural bridleway. However, BPC understands revised plans have been submitted.?
19/00498	Deeracres Lisle Court Road, Lymington SO41 5SH	Replacement outbuilding	<u>Comment 5</u>
19/00501	The Lodge Annexe, Passford Farm Cottage, Southampton Road, Boldre, Lymington, SO41 8ND	Application for a Certificate of Lawful Development for continued use of The Lodge as a single dwelling house.	<u>Comment 4</u> As this dwelling appears to have been built without planning permission within the curtilage of a listed building BPC remains strongly opposed to this CLD being allowed, as sent in sent in April to 19/00225
19/00432	The Gables, Snooks Lane		In the absence of any information or Parish Briefing Notes BPC feels unable to comment on this application for a Certificate of Lawful Development
19/00442	Sumaya, Undershore		In the absence of any information or Parish Briefing Notes BPC feels unable to comment on this application for a Certificate of Lawful Development
19/00455	Santa Fe Church Lane		In the absence of any information or Parish Briefing Notes BPC feels unable to comment on this application for a Certificate of Lawful Development

1. We recommend PERMISSION, for the reasons listed below, but would accept the decision reached by the National Park Authority's Officers under their delegated powers.
2. We recommend REFUSAL, for the reasons listed below, but would accept the decision reached by the National Park Authority's Officers under their delegated powers.
3. We recommend PERMISSION, for the reasons listed.
4. We recommend REFUSAL, for the reasons listed.
5. We are happy to accept the decision reached by the National Park Authority's Officers under their delegated powers.