

# Boldre Parish Council (BPC) - Meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> February 2020

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Invitees present:      Alison Bolton                      Pamela Keen                      Patrick Kempe  
                                  Tina Carroll                      Peter Lock                      Oliver Moore  
                                  Jacqui England                      Jo Humphreys

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Residents spoke briefly in favour of three NFNPA Planning Applications:

- Holme Leigh
- Golden Bush
- Land adjacent to the Red Lion, Rope Hill

Another resident spoke against the retrospective Planning Application from NFDC submitted for

- the Electronic information and advertising screen installed at the Whitelink Ferry Terminal.

## Meeting minutes

			Actions
<b>1</b>	<b>Apologies</b>		Cllrs Trotter, Mortimer and White
<b>2</b>	<b>Declarations of Interest</b>		Councillors declared an interest in several Planning Applications and did not discuss or vote (as follows): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cllr Bolton – 1900975, Herling House</li> <li>• Cllr Kempe - 19/00979, Holme Leigh</li> <li>• Cllr Humphreys – 20/00008, Golden Bush</li> </ul>
<b>3</b>	<b>Minutes of the last meeting</b>		The minutes of the meeting held on 13 <sup>th</sup> January 2020 were approved by Council and signed by Cllr Moore.  Cllr England stressed that BPC had decided that the Change of Use of Light Industrial building and any land within its curtilage to a dwelling house at Greenacres, Woodenhouse Lane, Pilley, Lymington, SO41 5QU was totally opposed by Boldre Parish Council, despite the ruling of the New Forest National Park Authority, as stated in the minutes of the previous meeting on 13 <sup>th</sup> January 2020.
<b>4</b>	<b>Matters Arising</b>		
13 Aug 2018	9.1	S.Baddesley school	The HCC school Travel Planning Team have confirmed that the school has not produced a traffic plan. Still no progress.
11 Mar 2019	15.4	Repairs by Groundsman	The BWMH Notice Board still needs attention. Corkboard has been purchased for the Groundsman.
8 Apr 2019	8.1	Bridleway B6	Project planning underway to drain and surface B6. Grant application from HantsCC & NPA to be further prepared.
			HCC Cllr White
			Groundsman
			Clerk Cllr Bolton Residents

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8 July 2019	7.2.8	Parish Guide	Cllrs Keen & Humphreys will continue to develop with help from the Clerk.	Meeting due
8 July 2019	13.4	Footpaths F17&18	Groundsman will discuss with Cllr Keen	Clerk
14 Oct 2019	13.4	Bees Knees replacement organisation	Storage of pre-school equipment continues in the pavilion, at the owner's risk, free of charge. An inventory has been received.	Cllr Humphreys
11 Nov 2019	8.1.3	Polo Shirts	BPC approved a smaller size purchase for the groundsman	Clerk
11 Nov 2019	8.2.1	Pavilion	The mixing valves have been installed but temperatures not yet set. Compression joints may also have slight leaks.	Solwat
11 Nov 2019	10.2	HMRC debt HMRC refund	Clerk to contact HMRC for more information (NI payment) but cannot make contact so far. VAT refund June to December 2019 has been received Earlier refund (February to June 2019) resubmitted – apparently lost by HMRC.	HMRC
11 Nov 2019	14.1	Assembly speaker 2020	The NFDC have accepted our invitation to talk about household recycling	Close
9 Dec 2019	6	Community Shop	Cllr Moore will seek further information of intentions from the chairmen of BWMH and the PCSL.	Cllr Moore
9 Dec 2019	8.2.2	112 Bus on Saturdays	<p>East Boldre PC (EBPC) are interested in working in partnership with BPC to offer a minibus service. They feel it would be better to work with HCC on this, rather than Community First. HCC would permit the use of bus passes where applicable and would also manage the service, meaning that a charge can be made to those using the service. The parish councils would pay the difference between the cost of the service and the fees collected (including those with bus passes). The majority of EBPC users would be happy with a service leaving at roughly 10am and returning at 2pm. If the reinstatement of the service is a success, EBPC suggest lobbying HCC to reinstate a bus service at a future date.</p> <p>HCC previously stated that they would be happy to run a trial (for a few months). EBPC will contact them again to confirm this if BPC are happy to move forward in partnership with EBPC.</p> <p>BPC meeting with EBPC to be arranged.</p>	Cllr Trotter Cllr England Clerk

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9 Dec 2019	11.5	Field above Red Lion PH	Field adjacent to the Red Lion. Retrospective Planning Application now received	
13 Jan 2020	5.2	Planning Appeal	2 Tanners Lane, East End - Enforcement upheld by NPA but not implemented. NPA Director due to attend the March BPC meeting to discuss this and another approved applications recommended for refusal by BPC.	C/Forward
13 Jan 2020	6	HCC Budget savings	Cllr White reported that more savings must be made in the next few years, resulting in further reduced services. Detailed information still due to be sent to BPC.	Cllr White
13 Jan 2020	8.1	Burnt House Lane entrance	Purchase and installation of Grasscrete (or similar) to be purchased for the Burnt House Gateway entrance. Costing between £390 and £675 for a 30x2 metre length. Proposed by Cllr Kempe, seconded by Cllr England.	Clerk
13 Jan 2020	9.4	ID Cards	Personalised ID badges were approved for councillors. Cllr Bolton declined to have one. Proposed by Cllr Mortimer, seconded by Cllr Trotter.	Cllr Moore
13 Jan 2020	10.5	BWMH room fees	Room fees increase from 1 <sup>st</sup> January 2020. £17 for the E.P.room (was £16). Phillips £25, plus kitchen if used. Cllr Bolton will check as this may not apply to BPC.	Cllr Bolton
13 Jan 2020	14.2	Footpath 14	HCC have posted the closure signs but the bridge is still being used. Barriers installed by our Lengthsman have been removed and dumped nearby. HantsCC Highways Officer agreed to alert the HCC Countryside group.	HCC
<b>5</b>	<b>Planning</b>			
5.1		BPC Planning	The full agreed Planning recommendations to the NFNPA and the NFDC are attached at the bottom of these minutes, to be sent to their Development Control section. <i>In summary, the following comments were approved:</i>	Clerk
	NPA	19/00913	The Cottage(s), S.Baddesley Lane. Comment 3 Proposed by Cllr Carroll, seconded by Cllr Kempe Four councillors voted in favour of the recommendation and two against, with one abstention.	
	NPA	19/00975	Herling House, Boldre Lane, Boldre – Comment 3 Proposed by Cllr England, seconded by Cllr Kempe	
	NPA	19/00979	Holme Leigh, Bull Hill, Pilley – Comment 4 Proposed by Cllr England, seconded by Cllr Carroll (Cllr Kempe declared a Conflict of interest in this application)	
	NPA	20/00008	Golden Bush, Sandy Down, Boldre – Comment 4 Proposed by Cllr England, seconded by Cllr Moore	

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	NPA	20/00009	Vicars Hill Lodge, Vicars Hill, Boldre – Comment 5 Proposed by Cllr Moore, seconded by Cllr England	
	NPA	20/00023	5 Burnt House Lane, Pilley – Comment 4 Proposed by Cllr England, seconded by Cllr Carroll	
	NPA	20/00033	Ivydene, Pilley Street, Pilley – Comment 4 Proposed by Cllr England, seconded by Cllr Moore	
	NPA	20/00042	Land adj. to the Red Lion, Rope Hill – Comment 4 Proposed by Cllr ???????, seconded by Cllr ??????	
	NFDC	19/11232	A retrospective planning application has been received for an Advertising Consent - electronic display at the ferry terminal, Whitelink Ferries. Comment 4 Proposed by Cllr Moore, seconded by Cllr Kempe	
		NOTE	The applicants for NPA 19/00748 (Myrtle Cottage, Royden Lane) have lodged an appeal against the NPA decision to refuse.	
5.2		Passford Farm	A copy of an Enforcement investigation letter covering two outbuildings, fencing and an outbuilding has been received by BPC from the New Forest NPA.	
6	<b>County Council</b>		Cllr White was not at this meeting. However, Detailed cost saving and service reduction information is still due to be sent to BPC.	Cllr White
7	<b>Parish Maintenance</b>			
7.1	<b>Highways</b>			
	7.1.1	Safety Mirrors – Boldre Lane	Decision made to purchase and install a mirror on Perkins Piece. A cost estimate of about £250 for materials has been obtained by the Clerk. Proposed by Cllr Humphreys, seconded by Cllr Keen. Five councillors in favour, one against and one abstention. A donation from Boldre Speedwatch group may be offered.	Clerk
	7.1.2	Hampshire Roads – Safety issues	The possibility of HGV restriction signs was discussed with the HHC Team Leader Safer Roads - Traffic earlier on 10 Feb 20. Agreed that signs would be best placed on main roads at turnings into minor parish roads are reached. Liaison between HCC and BPC awaited. Cllr Moore to create the BPC strategy for the website.  HCC will send details of suitable contractors who can undertake End-to-End investigations of traffic and Speeds - to further establish volumes and proportion of through traffic (using the villages as a short cut).	HCC Cllr Moore  HCC

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	7.1.4	H.Highways maintenance	<p>Productive meeting also held with Hampshire Highways Assistant Highway Manager. Full notes circulated to BPC. Key points included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The HH website is not User Friendly and feedback is virtually non-existent.</li> <li>• Current “high priority” BPC issues were discussed</li> <li>• Why is minor work (e.g. Tweed Lane) chosen when other more serious problems are unresolved.?</li> <li>• Why is one job done and several adjacent issues left unattended</li> <li>• Collaborative relationship agreed. Combine Highways expertise with local knowledge. Liaison to be improved</li> <li>• Email once a month of top issues/urgent new issues/potholes to HH from BPC log</li> <li>• Use of GIS layer showing ditches, culverts etc to be built up between HH and BPC.</li> <li>• Always Phone HCC to report urgent issues – use 0300 555 1358 (Out of Hours calls via the police on 101)</li> </ul>	Clerk
	7.1.3	Waterside Line	BPC decided a letter of support be sent in favour of the efforts to reinstate this line to help reduce traffic through local villages.	Clerk
7.2	<b>Amenities</b>			
	7.2.1	Smart Meter	Agreed that a free Smart Meter (version2) should be installed for the pavilion – when available. Proposed by Cllr Moore, seconded Cllr Humphreys	monitor
8	<b>Rec. Development</b>			
	8.1	Dogs	A possible dog exercise area was again discussed. The expense of fencing and waste disposal needs resulted in Councillors rejecting this possibility on the Recreation Ground. A dedicated field might be found somewhere, but comparable commercial facilities are understood to charge in the region of £8-10 per hour.	
	8.2	Other facilities	Amenities such as picnic tables, table tennis, mini-football, rounders were again discussed, but the potential move of the Pilley shop and current play facilities will be established before further amenities are installed.	
9	<b>Finance</b>			
	9.1	Payments	Payments of £3369.30 were approved for February.	
	9.2	Bank Reconciliation	The reconciliation for January 2020 was confirmed.	

<b>10</b>	<b>Clerk's Notes &amp; Information</b>		
	10.1	Road Closure (Snooks Lane – South)	A Plant Lux (contact <a href="mailto:surveys@aplant.com">surveys@aplant.com</a> Tel: 0370 050 0792) have requested a temporary road closure on Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> February 2020 ,between 0930hrs and 1530hrs only, in order to carry out pole replacement and cabling works.
	10.2	Rural Community Energy Fund - application workshop  (sent to BPC)	13th February, NFDC, Lyndhurst Please see below details of an event which NFDC are joint hosting with the Solent Local Enterprise Partnership next month.  The event is to promote a new grant scheme for projects which help communities to develop their own local clean and renewable sources of energy generation which benefit their locality and the wider environment up to the value of £100,000.
	10.3	NFDC  (sent to BPC)	Householders surveyed for NFDC's waste and recycling review New Forest District Council is looking at how it collects household waste and recycling, and is seeking the views of residents. From 16 January until 14 February 202. Researchers working on behalf of the council will be knocking on doors to invite some householders to answer a short survey on the waste and recycling service.
<b>11</b>	<b>IT Summary</b>		<u><b>Broadband East of Pilley to Bull Hill</b></u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• OpenReach work remains on-hold due to damage caused to a New Forest SSSI.</li> <li>• A voucher system is available from Open Reach</li> <li>• BPC are following the issue closely. In parallel, initial estimations are being requested to understand the cost to deploy an FTTP solution for the area via a community scheme. As details of this become available, they will be shared with Pilley Bailey/Bull Hill residents.</li> </ul>
<b>12</b>	<b>External Meetings</b>		
	12.1	Hampshire 2050 Vision	The Council received feedback from Cllr Moore about the "Hampshire 2050 Vision" briefing. As part of this, HCC are keen to improve their environmental profile and are looking at ways to reduce the impact of Council activities on the environment. Examples range from encouraging the adoption of suitable smart meters to better recycling for community sourced power. The Council will be looking at ways it can support the community in becoming greener.  BPC agreed to back initiatives, when possible, in the parish but will normally need interested parties to manage such proposals. Tree planting, wildflower areas, and wild-plany schemes were

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			mentioned, perhaps in conjunction with local schools	
	12.2	Freshwater Habitats Forum	Recent analysis of the Lymington River and Sewage Woks discharge was requested by Cllr Bolton. Clerk to investigate.	Clerk
13	<b>Electoral Boundaries (NFDC)</b>		<p>Submissions invited from all individual councillors and BPC as a unit, to be sent to Matt Wisdom, NFDC. Consultation period ends 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2020.</p> <p>Three criteria have been set for Warding patterns:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Electoral Equality for voters</li> <li>2. Community Identities and Interests.</li> <li>3. Effective and convenient Local Government.</li> </ol> <p>These are all of equal balance and importance.</p> <p>The Council have heard with concern the proposed warding patterns being proposed as the Local Government Boundary Commission for England (LGBCE) works to review electoral boundaries and reduce the number of NFDC Councillors to from 60 to 49. The proposed split results appear to ignore the second and third criteria mentioned above for BPC.</p> <p>Different areas of Boldre Parish would be served by separate NFDC councillors. Current lines which signify the Boldre and South Baddesley wards would also change. The proposals split Norley Wood, Portmore and South Baddesley away from Boldre and combine them with Lymington to achieve "Electoral Equality".</p> <p>Boldre Parish Council feels that this will be to the detriment of BPC as the NFDC focus will tend to be on urban needs. The proposals also split the Boldre community. BPC will be raising these concerns as part of the consultation process. The public may also contribute, with more information available on the NFDC website:  <a href="http://www.newforest.gov.uk/article/19166/Electoral-Review-2019">http://www.newforest.gov.uk/article/19166/Electoral-Review-2019</a>.</p> <p>A meeting is arranged with the NFDC to explore BPC views on the proposals available so far. All BPC councillors will be invited to attend.</p>	All
14	<b>Policies</b>		Review discussion carried forward to next meeting.	
15	<b>Hampshire Vision 2050</b>		See 12.1 above.	
16	<b>Other Business</b>			
	Sewage Works		The boundary fence has been flattened by a large falling tree at the Southern Water site off Rodlease	

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		Lane. Access to site is wide open. Clerk to contact Southern Water.	Clerk
<b>17</b>	<b>Next Meeting</b>	The next BPC meeting is on Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> March 2020, in Boldre War Memorial Hall at 18:30	
<b>18</b>	<b>Annual Assembly</b>	Thanks to Cllr Kempe who has produced some posters for the meeting due at Boldre War Memorial Hall on 16 <sup>th</sup> March at 19:00 hrs.	
<b>19</b>	<b>BPC Vacancy</b>	Item carried forward to next meeting	

The meeting closed at 21:45 hrs

### Log of Parish Recommendations to the New Forest NPA in February 2020

19/00913	The Cottage, South Baddesley Lane South Baddesley SO41 5RP	Window and internal alterations (Application for Listed Building Consent)	Comment 3 - The renovation of this listed building would be welcomed. As one dwelling is exceptionally small, it would be more appropriate to combine them.
19/00975	Herling House Boldre Lane, Boldre, Lymington, SO41 8PD	Outbuilding	Comment 3
19/00979	Holme Leigh, Bull Hill, Pilley, Lymington SO41 5RA	Single storey extension; replacement dormer window; new porch; removal of existing conservatory	Comment 4 - This proposal appears just as inappropriate as the previous one in this picturesque locality on the Open Forest. See relevant consideration in Parish guidance notes.
20/00008	Golden Bush Sandy Down, Boldre, Lymington SO41 8PN	Ino outbuilding.	Comment 4 - It is felt this proposed outbuilding is overly large and tends to dominate the house. Furthermore, it extends well in front of the main building and is very close to the neighbour's boundary.
20/00009	Vicars Hill Lodge, Vicars Hill, Boldre, Lymington SO41 5QB	Installation of floor lift (Application for Listed Building Consent)	Comment 5 - It would have been helpful if the Conservation Officer's comments had been given.
20/00023	5 Burnt House Lane, Pilley, Lymington SO41 5QN	Single storey front and rear extensions; juliette balcony	Comment 4 - The proposed application is larger than the 30% permitted limit.
20/00033	Ivydene, Pilley Street Pilley, Lymington	Application for a Certificate of Lawful Development for proposed outbuilding.	Comment 4 - As no documents have been received a refusal comment is our only option.



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20/00042	Land adjacent to the Red Lion Rope Hill, Boldre SO41 8NE	Retention of access, hardstanding and gate	Comment 5 - BPC note that Rope Hill is a busy road and that Hampshire Highways should make a full safety assessment of the proposed location.”
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### Log of Parish recommendations for the NFDC Planning Applications, February 2020

19/11232	Ferry Terminal, Undershore Road, Lymington, Boldre SO41 5SB	Advertisement Consent Electronic LED screen positioned on 2x supporting poles, providing customer information related to sailing delays and schedules, as well as general company advertisements.	Comment 4 The annoyance caused by this extra light pollution in this sensitive edge of the Conservation Area and close to neighbouring houses is not deemed necessary and is quite unacceptable. Much of the content of this over intrusive sign appears to be advertisements rather than information of benefit to the passengers. Surprisingly an assessment was completed by a firm from Manchester.
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#### Comments

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.