

# Boldre Parish Council (BPC) - Meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> November 2020

These minutes are from a meeting held using on-line Zoom technology due to restrictions caused by Covid-19 pandemic.

Invitees present:            Oliver Moore     Alison Bolton     Peter Lock        Michael White     Sherwin Small  
                                  Pamela Keen     Patrick Kempe     Jacqui England     Jo Humphreys     Lester Mortimer

## Meeting minutes

			Actions	
<b>1</b>	<b>Apologies</b>		Cllr Duke	
<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 12 <sup>th</sup> October 2020 were approved by Council for signature by Cllr Moore.	
<b>4</b>	<b>Matters Arising</b>			
13 Aug 2018	9.1	South Baddesley	The School Travel Plan. Cllr White will speak to Cllr Chadd on Wednesday 11 November. Apparently, the Headteacher is reluctant to produce this document.	Cllr White
09 Sept 2020	7.1.1	Traffic & Speeding	An in-house investigation by BPC of the roads through Boldre and Pilley will be explored when traffic levels return to normal.	Close for now
09 Dec 2019	8.2.2	112 Bus on Saturdays	Meeting with East Boldre PC, Hampshire CC and Community First planned for early 2021. Close until spring 2021	Close for now
09 Mar 2020	15.1	Corona Virus & Covid-19	Councillors and the Clerk continue to help in conjunction with citizens to support residents in the parish.	Continue
09 Mar 2020	15.2	Campsite	Lisle Court Road. Status on-hold pending easing of virus restrictions. Close until spring 2021.	Close for now
11 May 2020	5.2 (2)	Passford Fm outbuildings	BPC understands a Public Inquiry is scheduled for January 2021.	Monitor
13 Jul 2020	5.2	Whitelink - phone mast	The permission granted on appeal for the temporary siting of the monopole. Extension timescales are not clear. Cllr Duke has asked NFDC to ensure BPC are kept informed.	Monitor
10 Aug 2020	6.2	Highway Issues	A revised listing of priority highway issues in the parish was sent to Cllr White on 19 August 2020 but no response received from HCC officers.	HCC
10 Aug 2020	7.4	Road Works signage	Some Large Yellow signs still to be removed (after 4 months) Cllr White will chase HCC officers next week.	Cllr White
10 Aug 2020	7.5	Tanners Lane & Foreshore	Email sent to Cllrs White and Duke about an influx of vehicles and visitors to this location, asking about ownership and parking restrictions. Some 50+ cars have been noted parking on this lane. Cllr Duke is seeking information within NFDC. No further news.	Cllr Duke Cllr White
7 Sept 2020	8.1	Lymington Sprites football	Lymington Sprites (LS) have now sent their Risk Assessment	Close

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7 Sept 2020	8.2	Rec. & Pav. Litter	To be discussed at next meeting when Play Area changes should become clearer.	
12 Oct 2020	5.3	Haven Marine	NFDC planning 20/10628. Cllr Moore attended the NFDC Planning Committee. No questions were asked about the BPC statement. There was no support from the Committee. The variation was granted unanimously by the NFDC. One resident thanked BPC for its' efforts	Close
12 Oct 2020	7.1	Safety Mirror	Funds have been received from the Lymington & District NHW. BPC thanks have been sent to this group.	Close
12 Oct 2020	7.3	HGV Restrictions	A request has been made for signs at the Sandy Down and Lower Sandy Down turnings from the A337. HCC has added these to their "low priority" list	HCC Monitor
12 Oct 2020	8.2	W.Gilpin School	Clerk wrote to the school about parking during pupil arrival and collection.	Close
12 Oct 2020	14.2	BWMH Defibrillator	Access to the unit in BWMH – No further news. Cllr Moore will enquire.	Monitor
12 Oct 2020	14.3	Footpaths	An email has been sent to Pylewell Park as the Stile on F502 requires attention. A Finger Post will be requested for Footpath 19 from Hampshire CC Rights of Way. The access point is not clear.	Monitor Clerk
<b>5</b>	<b>Planning</b>			
5.1		BPC Planning	The full agreed Planning recommendations to the NPA and NFDC are attached at the bottom of these minutes, to be sent to their Development Control sections. <i>In summary, the following recommendations were made:</i>	Clerk
	NPA	20/00583	Corner Ground, Norley Wood Comment 4 Proposed by Cllr England, seconded by Cllr Mortimer. Agreed unanimously.	
	NPA	20/00712	The Willows, Southampton Road, Boldre Comment 5 Proposed by Cllr Moore, seconded by Cllr England. Agreed unanimously.	
	NPA	20/00615	Cllrs also discussed again the decking installed for the pool area at Passford Farm Cottage which will be discussed by the NPA Planning Committee on 17 <sup>th</sup> November 2020. Our Comment 4 (refusal) with reasons was submitted in Oct making BPC's recommendation clear.	

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6	County & District		
6.1	Hampshire County Council and NFDC	<p>Cllr White reported that HCC officers continue to work from home. Potholes are likely to increase now that winter approaches. More serious problems should be reported as soon as possible. The lack of a South Baddesley school Travel Plan will be raised at a meeting next week.</p> <p>Cllr Keen had sent details about the drainage problem in Norley Wood to Cllr White. A crew has attended site on three occasions but overflow continues to occur.</p> <p>Hedge/Tree encroachment onto highways was mentioned as the Clerk had asked HCC for clarification of the regulations. Cllr White believed the edge of the carriageway was appropriate.</p> <p>Cllr White asked BPC for other issues that might be appropriate for the grants he was able to offer in 2020/21</p> <p>Cllr Duke was not at this meeting, but BPC particularly thanked her for the NFDC grant given toward Play Area changes planned in Pilley.</p>	<p>HCC</p> <p>HCC</p> <p>All</p>
7	Highways		
7.1	Gully Grids - Warborne Lane, Portmore	Clerk will check again to see if the grids have been cleared of tarmac/bitumen in Warborne Lane, Portmore (a new incident was raised at the request of HCC Ref: 21522726). As of 9 November 2020 Incident states: <b>Current Status:</b> Work Raised	HCC
7.2	Hedge/Tree Encroachment	A paragraph in The Bridge noted that BPC thanked residents of Sandy Down who had made efforts in cutting hedges back that were overhanging the highway.	Close
7.3	Norley Wood road	Cllr Keen noted the large potholes in the highways and the 'mire' each side of the road between Norley Wood and Bull Hill X-roads. Clerk noted that there is a pothole request on the HH system raised by another party. Clerk will add a further incident (which is 2152760) as a drainage problem	Clerk
7.4	School Traffic and standards of driving	<p>The current increase in school traffic was discussed. Car sharing was currently not possible although staggered starting times was probably helping spread the increased volume of traffic.</p> <p>Cllr White advised that the local shop events allowing residents to meet local police officers could be used to promote standards (when such events become possible again).</p>	
8	Amenities		
8.1	Community Shop BWMH Play Area	<p>There is an understanding that a joint on-site meeting will be called by BWMH involving the hall, shop, BPC and NPA representatives. We await notification.</p> <p>Clerk will check the insurance of play equipment that is not installed on BPC land.</p>	Clerk

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		<p>Five play equipment supply companies have visited the site. Their ideas and quotes are awaited. Touchwood may be added to the list as specialists in wild play and 'natural' products. Disability inclusive items will be investigated.</p> <p>Gas and Electricity Utilities have equipment near and under the potential location for moved or new play items. Details to be further investigated.</p>	<p>Cllr England Clerk  Clerk</p>	
8.2	Waste Disposal	<p>New Forest District Council have published a draft Waste Strategy. A formal four-week period of engagement opens on the 12 November giving residents and other stakeholders the opportunity to learn more about the draft waste strategy, and to comment on the proposals. The strategy is aimed at improving recycling and reducing levels of household waste. Possible changes include the use of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• small food waste containers – collected weekly</li> <li>• wheeled bins for various wastes – collected fortnightly</li> <li>• re-useable bags for other wastes.</li> </ul> <p>Cllrs and residents are invited to comment on the draft on-line.</p>		
<b>9</b>	<b>Finance</b>			
	9.1	Payments	Payments of £ 4483.15 were approved for November 2020.	
	9.2	Bank	The reconciliation for October 2020 was confirmed. A discrepancy of £2.00 will be investigated.	
	9.3	Pilley Telephone Box repairs	<p>A Payment of £ 380 was approved for the Telephone Box repairs in Pilley. Proposed by Cllr England, seconded by Cllr Keen. Note was made that the box might be moved near to the new Community Shop, so these repairs may be put on-hold for now.</p>	Clerk
	9.4	Bull Hill footbridge	Cllr Kempe provided supply quotations up to £187 for repairs to this footbridge which is adjacent to the busy B3054. BPC suggested the Lengthsman should be invited to quote for installation covering any insurance requirements, rather than volunteer labour.	Cllr Kempe
	9.5	Grant Request St Johns	A request for a £1,000 grant toward the costs of graveyard maintenance was discussed. Some councillors asked for more time to examine the information and consider this request.	All
	9.6	BPC Budget 2021-22	Cllr Moore explained that based on the expenditure forecast £15,000 could be reserved toward any expenditure for the new Play Area. The 2021-22 budget will be discussed in detail in December to determine the precept application. This application is normally submitted in December to meet a January deadline.	Cllr Moore
	9.7	Lengthsman Scheme	Clerk was asked to contact Cllr White to enquire if the Parish Lengthsman Scheme would continue in 2021-22	Clerk

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	9.8	Shallows bollard	Clerk was asked to contact HCC about the bollards installed in Shallows Lane in 2018. Both central bollards have been installed the wrong way around resulting in debris being washed in the locking mechanism. The bollard at the Pilley end of The Shallows cannot now be locked.	Clerk
10	<b>IT Summary</b>		Details of vouchers toward the costs of high speed broadband to properties in Bull Hill & Pilley Bailey are awaited.	Cllr Moore
11	<b>External Meetings</b>		None attended in the last month.	
12	<b>Policies</b>		The revised policy covering Reporting at Meetings was approved unanimously and adopted. Proposed by Cllr Moore, seconded by Cllr England.  Policies still to be reviewed and circulated include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Data Protection and The GDPR Statement</li> <li>• Financial Regulations</li> </ul>	Cllr Moore
13	<b>Community Links</b>		Cllrs Humphreys and Keen have progressed the ways communication to residents can be improved – using The Bridge, Social Media, the BPC website and potentially working with the shop when the police briefing takes place. Key elements of a Parish Guide might be included in The Bridge once each year for delivery to households. Sponsorship for this edition will be explored.	
15	<b>A.O.B.</b>			
15.1	Social Housing		NFDC were due to discuss a potential location for Social Housing in Jordans Lane with the Planning sub-group but this meeting was postponed.	
15.2	Remembrance Services		Cllrs England, Keen and Kempe attended services, taking wreaths, at St John's and St Mary's on behalf of BPC.	
15.3	Pavilion		Microbiological checks on the water in the pavilion are due in November	
16	<b>BPC Vacancies</b>		Vacancies for two Parish Councillors exist. Notices were placed on Parish Notice Boards and the BPC website but no candidates came forward. Co-opted members can now be considered.	
17	<b>Next Meeting</b>		The next BPC meeting is on Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> December 2020.  This is likely to be a remote meeting using Zoom technology at 18:30.	

The meeting closed at 21:40 hrs

**Log of Parish Planning Recommendations to the New Forest NPA in October 2020**

20/00583	Corner Ground, Norley Wood Road, Norley Wood, Lymington SO41 5RS	Retention of raised garden terrace	<b>Comment 4</b> BPC objects to this application as it is contrary to Local Plan Policy DP2 e) which states 'development would not result in unacceptable adverse impacts on amenity in terms of additional impacts ... <b>overlooking</b> ' etc. The unacceptable overlooking is demonstrated by photographs from a first-floor window by a neighbour.
20/00712	The Willows, Southampton Road, Boldre, Lymington SO41 8ND	Garden room (demolition of existing shed)	<b>Comment 5</b>

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 have no objection to this planning application and are happy to accept the decision reached by the National Park or NFDC Authority's Officers under their delegated powers.