



MINUTES

Unconfirmed minutes of Full Council Meeting of Binsted Parish Council (BPC) on Tuesday 11^h June 2024

24/063	<p>Apologies: Cllr Jones, Cllr Clarke, Cllr Eldridge, District Cllr Davies Present: Cllr Lock, Cllr Melvin, Cllr Hearne, Cllr De Sousa, Mike Mordecai (Clerk)</p>
24/064	<p>Declarations of Interests: Councillors were reminded of their responsibility to declare any disclosable pecuniary interest which they may have in any item of business on the agenda no later than when that item is reached. Unless dispensation is granted, they may not participate in any discussion of, or vote on, any matter in which they have a pecuniary interest. They must withdraw from the room when the meeting discusses and votes on the matter. None Stated.</p>
24/065	<p>Approval of Minutes from 14th May Full Council Meeting: Deferred until July FCM</p>
24/066	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● District Councillor Report: District Councillor Ashcroft reported the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● With the general election having been called, EHDC is now in purdah. ● Comments from the draft Local Plan are still being reviewed, and there has been an additional call for brownfield sites. ● There have been increased fees for garden waste collection.
24/067	<p>Chair's Announcements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Annual Parish Meeting: The Chair thanked everyone who had helped to make the event a success. ● Binsted Fete: Due to election purdah the SDNP's Local Plan consultation has been pushed back. SDNP may be willing to provide consultation material at the fete. Action: Discuss further with SDNP. Unspent community grant held by the Wickham Institute will pay for the costs of Monty's car at the Binsted Fete. Action: Clerk to organise finances. ● New Councillors: Not discussed
24/068	<p>Finance and Governance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Forward Planning: Working Group Budgets- Income/Grants and Expenditure Action: Working Groups to submit budget requests for this financial year. ● S137 Grant Applications: Due to being over-subscribed BPC were not able to meet the full amounts requested. The following awards were made: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Holy Cross Bellringers: Bell repairs- £1,000 ● Holy Cross Church: Churchyard maintenance- £1,000 ● St James Church: Churchyard maintenance- £1,000 ● Friends of Rowledge School: Outdoor seating- £400 ● Friends of Binsted School: Playground redevelopment- £1,600 ● Income and Expenditure Apr and May, Bank reconciliations for May: Proposed: Cllr Melvin, seconded Cllr Lock, unanimously approved.
24/069	<p>Projects and Working Group updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Transport Working Group - Thanks to Cllr Hearne for assisting in putting up new speed cameras. They are currently being

	<p>calibrated before becoming fully operational.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Jalsa Salana- Speedwatch volunteers would be asked if they would be available to monitor traffic during the festival. - SSEN works update- A meeting to get further information on the next phase of work is taking place next week. - Lengthsmen visits- Action: Clerk to gather information regarding poor sight lines on roads and junctions to inform the Lengthsmen's work schedule in August for BPC. <p>Footpath maintenance- It was noted that HCC are reducing their Countryside Services footpath maintenance programme, but are offering grants for or to set up volunteer groups to perform the work they previously undertook.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Communications Working Group <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Next steps would be to start creating a wider communications plan including Working Groups, newsletters, social media, FCM meetings to gather and agree communications for the month ahead. • Holt Pound Oval Working Group <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - TGMS Survey- Deferred until July's meeting. • Recreation Ground Users Group <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Rowledge Cricket Club contract update- BPC have commissioned a new draft licence agreement from Hampshire Legal Services. - Pavilion Repairs- It was agreed to get quotes for various pavilion repairs. - Signage- It was agreed to get quotes for updated/new signage. • Blacknest Fields- Preparatory work to progress the wildlife pond continues, including the planning permission required.
24/070	<p>Planning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Timetable for SDNP Local Plan- See 24/067 • EHDC Draft Local Plan- Action: Contact volunteers from Annual Parish Meeting interested in joining a Local Plan Working Group. • Update on Blacknest Golf Club application- Action: Golf Club owners have offered a site visit. Clerk to arrange. • Thames Valley Flood Scheme- A site visit has been arranged with the Environment Agency and other interested parties locally. • Footpath Applications- HCC is consulting on closing one of the Bentley Station footpaths (Route 55). It was agreed that BPC would object to this closure. • SDNP/24/01869/LIS- Support • 59510/002- BPC's previous objections still apply • Additional item not on agenda- Members of Kingsley Tennis Club requested that they attend the meeting to inform us of proposals of the current owners to sell, with plans to replace tennis with padel tennis. The owners state that a planning application would not require change of use, with padel tennis being a type of tennis- the members in attendance do not agree with this definition and that they are different sports. They also stated that Kingsley is the only indoor tennis facility in the East Hampshire District. The current owners lease the club to the tennis club, with a right to buy clause, but this is unlikely, and the leaseholder has been given notice that the lease would not be renewed. The members would like the opportunity to buy. There was a discussion regarding whether members could use the process of registering the facility as a Community Asset, which could potentially provide a window of opportunity for a membership led purchase to save the tennis facilities. District Councillor Ashcroft suggested contacting District Councillor Shah as the Community Development and Engagement Portfolio Holder to discuss options.
24/071	<p>Clerk's Notices, Matters Arising, Actions from Previous Meeting:</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• SSE Overhead Power Cables on Recreation Ground- SSE have yet to straighten the posts supporting the lines. Action: To pursue SSE in getting this issue resolved, and to enquire as to whether the cables can be buried rather than continue to be overhead.• Coordination/activities/meetings over the summer- Action: Clerk to obtain councillors holiday plans over the summer.• The Clerk has arranged for a work experience student to work with him for two weeks.
24/072	Chair's Closing Remarks The next full council meeting will take place on Tues 11 th June at 7pm.