

HASCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL

MEETING MINUTES of Hascombe Parish Council Meeting held on **Monday 18th March 2019** Hascombe Village Hall, Mare Lane, Hascombe at 7.00pm.

Attendees: Mr P Lye –Chairman
Mr T Dwyer – Member
Mr K Kingham - Member
Mrs A Nash - Member
Mrs S Sullivan – Member
Mrs B Weddell - Clerk

Cllr Richard Seaborne and 22 members of the public were in attendance.

Apologies: Apologies for absence had been received from Cllr Maurice Byham, PC Philip Snow and Sargent Clair Southland.

ACTION

19/016 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest pertaining to agenda items.

19/017 Representations from members of the public

Mr Paul Wight and Mr Steve Bolton from the National Trust presented proposals for a new visitor centre and car park at Winkworth Arboretum. A planning application was due to be submitted in May. They also advised that they were seeking a temporary solution to the problems caused by queuing traffic, particularly on the busiest days, pending planning permission for the relocation of the car park.

19/018 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held 14th January, as circulated, were approved as a correct record of the meeting and signed by the Chairman.

19/019 Chairman's Report

The Chairman advised that the defibrillator had new batteries and was working. One of the problems was condensation and ventilation holes had been added to the cabinet to overcome this. It was agreed the defibrillator should be regularly monitored.

A meeting had been held between UK Power Networks and parish councillors. UKPN had explained that Hascombe was vulnerable to power cuts for two reasons, firstly it is on the end of a line and secondly the overhead power cables pass through highly wooded areas. Some of the most vulnerable line had been inspected and UKPN stated that the trees for this section had been cut back as much as they were allowed to do. There were a couple of trees that looked particularly precarious and these had been reported to Hascombe Estate.

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	The Chairman advised details of the Calor Rural Fund and suggestions were made for grant applications to include a marquee, barbecue and cricket nets. The Chairman would investigate the applications process.	P Lye
19/020	Clerk's Report There was nothing to report.	
19/021	Highways, Bridleways & Footpaths Mr Dwyer advised the work to put down scalplings on the access road to the Mare Lane bungalows had been completed by Waverley's contractors. Regarding the Mare Lane verges, Mr Dwyer had followed-up Cllr Victoria Young as there had been no response to the quotations and the parish council's offer to contribute to the cost. He would persist with pushing this project forward.	T Dwyer
19/022	Matters relating to Hascombe Woodyard The Chairman advised that the planning application for Change of Use had been submitted to Waverley and that the legal process was in hand.	
19/023	Public Forum A Public Forum had been held the previous weekend, which had been well attended. The notes from the Forum are appended to these minutes. It was advised that a meeting was due to be held at Waverley regarding traffic volumes in Markwick Lane, with a possibility that restrictions would be imposed. Sorrel Morganti had resurrected Neighbourhood Watch and already had the required number of volunteers. The Police were trying to catch quad bikers riding in fields around the village and urged residents to report sightings via 101 or online.	
19/024	Speed Watch Report Mrs Nash reported that Speed Watch sessions would be increasing to two per week. The group has support from the Police, especially as Hascombe was the most active group in the area. Mrs Nash would look into sharing a mobile speed camera with other villages if possible. She also advised that she was reporting HGVs using the B2130 to their companies and asking them to ensure their drivers use another route.	A Nash
19/025	Planning a) To receive list of Planning Applications for information of recent decisions made by WBC. WA/2019/0052 Listed building consent for extension of barn boiler flue by 1m. The Old Rectory. Withdrawn. WA/2019/0016 Erection of extension and alterations. White Cottage, The Street. Refused. WA/2018/2030 Alterations to roofspace including dormer windows to provide habitable accommodation. Pound Cottages, 4 The Street, Hascombe. Full Permission.	

- b) To consider all new Planning Applications
TC/2019/0001 GPDO Schedule 2 part 16; installation of a 17.4m high telegraph pole containing 1 trisector antenna and 3 antennas; 1 equipment cabinet. Recreation Ground, Mare Lane, Hascombe. **Letter of objection appended.**

ACTION

19/026

Next meeting

Monday 20th May 7.00pm, Hascombe Village Hall

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 21:00

Hascombe Parish Council

19 March 2019

Mr Matthew Banks
Planning Services
Waverley Borough Council
The Burys
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Dear Mr Banks,

RE: TC/2019/0001 G.P.D.O Schedule 2 Part 16; installation of telecommunications equipment, Recreation Ground, Mare Lane, Hascombe

Hascombe Parish Council **objects** to this application on the following grounds:

The proposed installation of a 17.5m high telegraph pole is inappropriate in this setting within an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. The telegraph pole would be the dominant feature in the landscape, being three times higher than the adjacent village hall, as illustrated below.



The proposed access off the road, under the willow trees and across the front of the village hall will impact on hall users and users of the recreation ground. The hall relies financially on bookings for events such as wedding receptions, with the outside space being an important feature for hirers. Any traffic cutting across the lawns in front of the patio doors of the hall, especially during construction, would be extremely damaging to this important village amenity.

The proposed site is adjacent to the site of the annual village bonfire, which has been held there for decades (? many years). The parish council anticipates that it would no longer be possible to have a bonfire so near to the telecommunications equipment.

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The parish council and Hascombe residents would welcome a mobile phone signal in the village, which currently has no coverage whatsoever. However, we believe that the site proposed would be the 'easiest' site for the applicant to develop, rather than the most appropriate. The parish council believes that there are other more appropriate sites, including a site further along Mare Lane that has previously been used as a telecommunications site for emergency services and which would have much less impact on the beauty of the landscape and the amenity of residents.

For these reasons, the parish council requests that this application be refused.

Yours sincerely

Beverley Weddell
Clerk to the Council

Hascombe Parish Forum
Saturday 9th March
At the White Horse Hascombe.

Discussion notes in brief –

Around 25-30 people attended the second Hascombe Parish Forum meeting including Victoria Young of Surrey County Council.

Hascombe Community Speed Watch and Traffic calming

The outcome of a meeting held with SCC and Hascombe Parish Councillors in February was that due to the lack of street lighting in the village, traffic calming measures such as chicanes or speed humps were not possible and that the only way forward would be average speed cameras (ASC) in and out of the village. SCC would give no funding for this as Hascombe is not a priority case, with no major accidents, but also there is no available funding from SCC in any event. The estimated cost is around £100K. Victoria Young suggested looking into sharing a mobile ASC system with other villages which will be considered further. More road markings can be done in the village but SCC say a lack of funding means it will have to wait until the next budget round.

Regular HGV's using Hascombe should be recorded and passed onto HPC.

Markwick Lane/Salt Lane

Meeting arranged for 22nd March, for Waverley Borough Council and SCC and residents to discuss traffic issues. Stats provided by Paul Osbourne indicate 2700 movements per day. Petition with 250+ signatures collected.

Neighbourhood Watch

This is to be reinvented in the village by Sorrel Morganti. Two volunteers are required. Residents are asked to call 101 to report and log any incidents/anything suspicious in and around the village.

Mobile phone Mast

Vodafone have now applied for permission to erect a mast on the recreation ground. There is a general consensus for a mast in the village, but residents objected to its proposed location on the recreation ground. Eight other sites had been rejected by the applicant and residents suggested other sites that are due to be discussed at the Parish Council meeting on 18th March. Closing date for comments to WBC by 2nd April.

Oil/gas Exploration

Concerns were expressed over UK Oil and Gas's anticipated application to carry out test drilling on a site adjacent to Alfold, Hascombe and Dunsfold borders. Concerns were raised about a significant increase in HGV traffic, and there were concerns about future applications for drilling activity at the site if the initial exploration proves successful.

The next Hascombe Parish Forum is Saturday 8th June at a new time of 10am-11.30am, at the White Horse Hascombe, to which everyone is invited.