

# HASCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL

**MEETING MINUTES** of Hascombe Parish Council Meeting held on **Monday 19 September 2016** in Hascombe Village Hall, Mare Lane, Hascombe at 7.00pm.

**Attendees:** Mr C Orange – Chairman  
Mr P Lye – Vice Chairman  
Mr T Dwyer – Member  
Mr K Kingham – Member  
Mrs S Sullivan – Member  
Mrs B Weddell – Clerk

Mr Toby Anstruther, Mr Bob Lees of POW, Waverley Borough Councillors Maurice Byham and Richard Seaborne and 27 members of the public were in attendance.

**Apologies:** There were no apologies for absence.

**ACTION**

**16/068            Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest pertaining to agenda items.

**16/069            Discussions with Mr Toby Anstruther regarding matters related to Hascombe Estate, including the Woodyard site and access to Hascombe Hill**

The Chairman reported that since Mr Anstruther's last visit, planning permission had been granted on Appeal for B2 use of the Woodyard. The parish council is in discussions with Mr Anstruther regarding ownership of the land around the site and the use of the Woodyard. Many residents would prefer a residential use for the site, while others think residential would be inappropriate. The likelihood of residential planning permission is unlikely to be approved by Waverley as it would not be consistent with national and local planning policies, however, there may be a possibility for the parish council to use the Community Right to Build provision, which is being investigated.

Cllr Byham said that, if acceptable to the parish council, he could arrange for a residential planning application to be called in for consideration by Waverley councillors as a planning committee meeting, rather than be decided by officers.

Mr Anstruther said that he would be open to residential development at the site but it was not something he was pursuing. He would be working on the basis of the permission he has, for commercial use, which would mean completing the building as permitted. Mr Anstruther would like to reduce the height of the hedge to get more light into the site, however he was concerned about the visual impact and was in discussions with the parish council about this, including possibly replacing the leylandi hedge with native species hedging.

Mr Anstruther asked residents to let him know if they were aware of anyone who would like to rent the Woodyard as he would be particularly keen for it to be rented to someone with a local connection.

Other matters of interest included the Hascombe Hill car park, which Mr Anstruther said he had had to close to protect ownership rights. Discussions are continuing between Mr Anstruther and the parish council about what future arrangements might be, including arrangements for its maintenance.

A member of the public asked if Mr Anstruther could take down some trees in Mare Lane to let more light into the bungalows. Mr Anstruther said he would look into this and also stressed the importance of residents advising the parish council of these issues so they can be addressed. The trees along Hoe Lane would also be looked at.

**16/070**

**Waverley Local Plan**

Mr Bob Lees, Chairman of Protect Our Waverley Campaign (POW) reported that the Consultation for the Draft Local Plan Part 1, which will determine what will be built in the borough over the next 15 years, started on 19<sup>th</sup> August and ends on 3<sup>rd</sup> October. Mr Lees outlined the key areas where POW believes the plan is unsound.

It was agreed that the Clerk and the Chairman would produce the response to the Local Plan Consultation, which is appended to these minutes.

**16/071**

**Issues relating to Dunsfold Park**

Regarding the Dunsfold Park application for a new settlement (WA/2015/2395) there was a further period of consultation following the receipt of additional information mainly regarding transport. The joint parish councils had agreed to commission Vision Transport to carry out a review of the replacement Transport Assessment. It was agreed the Chairman would draft a further response, which is appended to these minutes.

**16/072**

**List of Planning Application for information of recent decisions made by WBC**

WA/2016/1153 Erection of single storey front extension. 6 Mare Lane, Hascombe. **Full permission**

WA/2016/1082 Erection of extensions and alterations. Hatch Cottage, Markwick Lane, Loxhill. **Full permission**

**16/073**

**Planning Applications**

After full consideration of the following planning application, the parish council resolved to comment as follows:

WA/2016/1706 Erection of a single storey extension and porch; internal and external alterations following demolition of existing stores. The White Horse. **No objection**

*At 8.00pm the meeting opened to the public:*

Members of the public complained about flooding in the village that had occurred the previous week. The Clerk would set up a site meeting with Mr Dwyer and Surrey County Council.

A member of the public complained about the lack of action regarding the verges in Mare Lane. The Clerk had obtained quotes and this matter would be discussed at the next parish council meeting.

It was reported that the Fountain had become waterlogged and that the problem had started just after Openreach carried out work in the village to install fibre. Mr Kingham would investigate.

A member of the public raised the possibility of grant funding from the Police to improve safety in the village. This would be discussed at the next meeting.

The Chairman advised that the Bonfire Committee were calling for volunteers to help before, during and after the event on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November.

**16/074**

**Next meeting**

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> November, 7.00pm, Hascombe Village Hall

**There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 21:20.**