HASCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL

MEETING MINUTES of Hascombe Parish Council Meeting held on **Monday 14th September 2020** via Zoom.

Attendees: Mr P Lye –Chairman

Mrs A Nash – Vice Chairman Mr T Dwyer – Member Mrs S Sullivan – Member Mr Andrew Thornton - Member

Mrs B Weddell - Clerk

Three members of the public were in attendance.

Apologies: Apologies for absence had been received from Cllr Richard Seaborne.

20/033 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest pertaining to agenda items.

20/034 Representations from members of the public

There were no representations from members of the public.

20/035 Chairman's Report

The Chairman reported that a member of the public had written to advise that her son had been injured when the memorial bird bath at the pond had fallen on him. The Clerk had advised the insurance company and was awaiting a response. In the meantime, the top of the bird bath had been made safe on the ground and safety tape put around it.

There had been a meeting with WHP Telecoms regarding a proposed mobile phone mast in Hascombe. Members of the parish council had shown the preferred site at Foxbury Copse, which WHP Telecoms would try to progress subject to an agreement with the landowner.

20/036 Projects for the Current Term

- a) Pond Clearance Once the weather cooled, clearance of the pond would proceed.
- b) Village Hall Hearing Loop Mr Dwyer had circulated an email summarising the financial position and sought permission to proceed. It was agreed the parish council would give a grant of £1500 for the remaining funding required, and the work would be carried out as soon as possible while the hall was quiet.
- c) Fountain Stonework The work to renovate the fountain stonework had been completed. Mrs Sullivan was satisfied with the work and Surrey Historic Buildings Trust had agreed to release their grant. Mrs Sullivan would put the project forward for a heritage award. A member o the public had made a copper spout to divert water from the stonework, which he had gifted to the village. The Clerk would write a letter of thanks.
- d) Hedge from Fountain to the White Horse. The Chairman would proceed to get quotes for cutting the trees back on the roadside edge, and at the same time he would also make further investigations regarding ownership of the land.

20/037 Footpaths, Bridleways and Highways

Members had met with Cllr Matt Furniss and officers from Surrey Highways regarding traffic calming in the village. Due to there being no street lighting,

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most forms of traffic calming were not possible. Mrs Nash would pursue the painted slow signs and speed camera signs. Speed camera signs should now be permissible due to the regular police speedwatch sessions and it was agreed the parish council would offer to contribute towards funding of the signs. Cllr Furniss had suggested a weight limit be implemented on the B2130, Markwick Lane and connecting lanes, which would mean restriction of HGV traffic would be enforceable and sat nav systems updated. This would be subject to parish council funding and the Clerk had written to Hambledon and Busbridge Parish Councils seeking a contribution. The proposal would go to the Waverley Local Committee meeting in November for approval.

Replacements for missing waymarker posts had been requested for several footpaths and bridleways. Mr Thornton had also reported blockages on footpaths, with obstructions on Hascombe Hill still waiting to be dealt with.

Mrs Nash would follow-up with Highways the cutting of the hedge outside Wheel Cottage.

20/038 Appointment of Trustees to Hascombe War Distress (Surplus Fund) Charity and Edward Lee Rowcliffe Charity

The appointment of Trustees was necessary in order for the parish council to receive proceeds of investments to contribute towards the upkeep of the fountain. Proposed by Mr Dwyer and seconded by Mr Thornton, the Chairman and the Clerk were appointed as Trustees.

20/039 Hascombe Pond

Regarding the pond area, dips and hollows would be filled in and moles dealt with. The Clerk would seek advice from Waverley regarding dealing with future wasps' nests following two incidents where a child and a dog were stung.

20/040 Hascombe Estate

The parish council would seek a meeting with Toby Anstruther and Andy Kinnear regarding estate issues, including offering to provide a working party to repaint the woodyard windows and doors and dark stain the wood to help it blend into the area.

Regarding the work to be carried out behind School House, Mr Thornton had been advised that there was no date yet but that residents would be given as much notice as possible.

Mrs Nash and Mr Thornton had met with David Austin-White, the deerstalker for Hascombe Hill. His work was to secure the future of the herd, which was fallow deer and muntjac. It was hoped there would be an ongoing dialogue regarding signage and restricting access when necessary for safety reasons.

20/041 Proposed Flower Beds at the Junction of Mare Lane/The Street

Proposals were received from Friends of Hascombe for some planters to be installed at the end of Mare Lane junction with The Street. A plan to be provided for Highways approval and grant application with alternative quotes to be submitted for consideration at the next meeting.

20/042 Speedwatch Update

Mrs Nash reported that the team is still going strong. Once a week sessions although currently suspended due to the black box recording in the village. Judith Bratt has kindly offered to help with admin for the team. Results so far this year are:

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16 sessions 283 vehicles speeding 271, 1st time offenders 12, 2nd time offenders 3, 3rd time offenders

20/043 Planning

- a) There were no recent planning decisions to report.
- b) There were no new planning applications for consideration.
- c) The Clerk had reported the fencing at 1 Gorebridge Green Cottages to Waverley Enforcement and was awaiting the results of their investigations.

20/044 General Matters and items for information

The Risk Register would be reviewed at the next meeting.

The Clerk would enquire the cost of Biffa emptying dog waste/litter bins. There was ongoing communication with UKPN regarding the regular power outages and a Zoom meeting would be requested.

Mr Thornton and Mrs Nash were due to meet with Upper House regarding traffic movements.

20/045 Next meeting

Monday 9th November

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 21:45.

Clerk Clerk