

HASCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL

MEETING MINUTES of Hascombe Parish Council Meeting held on **Monday 9th May 2022** at Hascombe Village Hall, Mare Lane, Hascombe.

Attendees: Mrs Sarah Sullivan –Chair
Mrs Rosemary Pedder – Vice Chair
Mr Paul Lye – Outgoing Chair
Mr T Dwyer – Member
Mr D Pite - Member
Mrs B Weddell - Clerk

Cllr Richard Seaborne, Cllr Martin D’Arcy, Cllr Kevin Deanus and three members of the public were in attendance.

Apologies: There were no apologies for absence.

22/031 Election of Chair
Mr Lye advised that he would not be re-standing as Chairman and that at this meeting he would be standing down from the Parish Council. Mr Lye was thanked for his great contribution as a member of the parish council for 15 years.

Proposed by Mr Dwyer and seconded by Mrs Pedder, Mrs Sullivan was elected Chair of the parish council for the ensuing year. Mrs Sullivan signed the declaration of acceptance of office and took the chair.

22/032 Election of Vice Chair
Proposed by Mrs Sullivan and seconded by Mr Pite, Mrs Pedder was elected Vice Chair of the parish council for the ensuing year. Mrs Pedder signed the declaration of acceptance of office.

22/033 Declarations of Interest
There were no declarations of interest pertaining to agenda items.

22/034 Representations from members of the public
There were no representations from members of the public.

22/035 Councillors’ Reports
Cllr Seaborne reported that there would now be a 6-week consultation on the Local Governance Review, which included amending parish boundaries. Waverley were recommending the inclusion of the Langhurst Valley within Hascombe Parish, however they did not recommend the inclusion of High Hascombe. It was agreed that the clerk would draft a letter to residents in High Hascombe to make them aware of the consultation.

Cllr Deanus advised that he was continuing to work behind the scenes on issues in Hascombe.

22/036 Minutes
The minutes of the meeting held on 7th March were approved as a correct record of the meeting.

Clerk

22/037	Chairman's Annual Report	As the outgoing Chairman of the Parish Council, Mr Lye delivered his Annual Report for 2021/22, which is appended to these minutes.	
22/038	Areas of Responsibility	This item was deferred to the next meeting.	
22/039	Adoption of Accounts and Balance Sheet for Year Ending 31.3.2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) The Annual Governance Statement as circulated was approved. b) The Accounting Statements for 2021/22 were approved. This was proposed by Mrs Sullivan and seconded by Mr Pite and all were in agreement. c) It was agreed the Parish Council met the threshold to be exempt from the requirement for an External Audit. 	
22/040	Adoption of the Balance Sheet for Hascombe Smith's Charity for the year ended 31.12.21	The accounts and balance sheet for Hascombe Smith's Charity for the year ended 31.12.21 were approved.	
22/041	Matters arising from the meeting of 7th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Storage of village documents (Hascombe archive). Mrs Sullivan reported on the estimates received, and it was agreed that Out of the Woods would be asked to provide a detailed quotation. Mrs Sullivan and Mr Dwyer would meet the carpenter at the village hall to confirm the specification. Mrs Pedder would seek a National Lottery grant and it was agreed written expressions of support would be sought from residents at the Jubilee Fete. b) Platinum Jubilee Celebrations. Mr Dwyer updated the meeting on the plans for the Jubilee weekend celebrations. Friends of Hascombe had provided their budget figures for the event and it was agreed the parish council would give a grant of £500 and in addition agreed to underwrite any losses up to £500. As encouraged nationally, it was agreed any surplus funds would be donated to charity. Cllr Seaborne would speak to Waverley to see if they would waive their charges for the event. c) Generator for the Village Hall. Mr Lye and Mr Dwyer had met with Jamie Etherington, local electrician, and with his equipment it was confirmed that the proposed generator would be capable of powering heating, lights, and kitchen appliances, with the exception of the oven. Mr Dwyer would check with the Village Hall before proceeding with purchase of the generator. A quote would be sought from RGM for providing the cable and switch. It was anticipated that the cost of this would not exceed the cost of the gas heaters that would no longer be needed. A quote would also be required for upgrading the security on the shed. The provision of emergency packs would also be considered at a future meeting. 	<p>Mrs Sullivan/Mr Dwyer</p> <p>Mrs Pedder</p> <p>Mr Dwyer</p>
22/042	Projects for the Current Term	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Pond Clearance – this work was in hand and would be carried out in the autumn. b) Hedge from Fountain to the White Horse. The hedging plants that were planted by the working group were doing well. They would need to have their tops pinched out in due course. c) Replacement trees in Mare Lane – The remaining willow tree had died. The Hascombe and Dunsfold Horticultural Society had promised a mature tree in November, and it was agreed this would 	

- be an ideal spot to plant it. Mr Dwyer was thanked for watering the new trees that had been planted on the recreation ground.
- d) Electric Vehicle Charging Points – this project was now dependent on Surrey County Council as they roll out their scheme.

22/043	<p>Asset of Community Value It was agreed the White Horse should be re-registered as an Asset of Community Value, the previous registration having expired.</p>	Clerk
22/044	<p>Rowcliffe Fountain Charity It was agreed that Beverley Weddell and Paul Lye be appointed Trustees of the Rowcliffe Fountain Charity.</p>	
22/045	<p>Footpaths, Bridleways and Highways including Vegetation Clearance It was agreed the parish council would request that the next section of the hedge from the Fountain to the White Horse be included for vegetation clearance by Surrey County Council. The Clerk would send pictures and a map to Cllr Deanus.</p>	Clerk
	<p>Mr Pite would speak to Mr Hutley regarding the giant hogweed on his land.</p>	Mr Pite
22/046	<p>Hascombe Estate There was nothing to report.</p>	
22/047	<p>Hascombe Pond The issue of moles damaging the area around the Pond was raised. It was agreed that the moles would be left this year but that Mr Elliott would be reimbursed for the cost of new mower blades due to the damage caused by the moles.</p>	
22/048	<p>Planning</p> <p>a) After consideration of the following planning applications, the responses were agreed: WA/2022/01094 Alterations to existing dwelling to form two dwellings and associated works. 1 Hoe Lane, Hascombe. Mrs Sullivan would check whether the revised proposal complied with Waverley’s policy and that there was provision of an electric charging point. If the application did not comply, it was agreed the parish council would object.</p> <p>b) Recent planning decisions by Waverley Borough Council: There were no recent Hascombe decisions to report.</p> <p>c) It was agreed that Zak Ellwood would be invited to attend a parish council meeting to give councillors advice on planning.</p>	Mrs Sullivan
22/049	<p>Items of business for information or inclusion on a future agenda Mr Dwyer would write to Jeremy Hunt MP’s office to follow up on the request for mast sharing of the new EE telecommunications mast in Mare Lane.</p>	Mr Dwyer
22/050	<p>Next meeting Monday 18th July at 7.30pm.</p>	

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 21:25.

