

**MINUTES OF A FULL COUNCIL MEETING OF SMANNELL PARISH COUNCIL HELD  
ON 4<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2018 AT THE SMANNELL AND ENHAM CHURCH OF ENGLAND  
PRIMARY SCHOOL HALL, SMANNELL**

**Cllrs. Present:** Cllr. Rod Bowker (Chairman), Cllr. Tim Bilborough, Cllr. John Pickford, Cllr. Paddy Burrt

**In Attendance:**

Borough Cllr. Phil North  
County Cllr. Kirsty Locke  
Sinead Turnbull DLP Planning)

**864. APOLOGIES**

Cllr. Dini Thorne  
Cllr. Mark Hurrell

**865. PUBLIC QUESTIONS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

Sinead Turnbull from DLP Planning instructed by Wadworth's brewery was in attendance to outline and establish views on the development of the paddock at the back of The Oak. Sinead outlined that the initial consultation was for 3-4 plots for either affordable housing or bungalows. Sinead was keen to hear the views of the Parish Council with regards to the requirement for housing within the village, with particular interest in young families who may require affordable housing. It was stated that planning policy would support small scale development with local support. The Parish Council outlined that they had not been approached from local people for a need of housing and that they would not be happy to support the plan as it would destroy developed hedgerow and greenfield site, is within an area of outstanding beauty and is unjustified development.

Cllr. Phil North outlined that there had been no submission of pre-planning with TVBC and at this time this is just enquiries from developers.

Moving forward DLP will distribute questionnaires to residents to gain further information. Sinead left the meeting after this discussion had finished.

**867. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None recorded.

**868. TO READ AND APPROVE MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING – 14<sup>th</sup> May 2018**

The minutes were proposed by Cllr. Rod Bowker, seconded by Cllr. John Pickford and unanimously agreed to approve the minutes. Motion Carried.

**869. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED**

Planning had been submitted for Bourne Valley Park with regards to extending/improving the house. It was suggested that if the planning application was not yet approved that there had been talk of a helicopter school raising flights to 700 per month/20 per day. The residents of Bourne Valley Park had been advised that the planning application on the house should be approved.

**Action:** Cllr. Phil North to follow this up with John Martin.

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**870. TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE CHEQUE PAYMENTS FOR SMANNELL PARISH COUNCIL**

There were no cheques for this period.

**TO READ AND APPROVE ACCOUNTS**

The Parish Clerk circulated the Annual Accounts for the financial year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018 and guided members through the formal accounting statements that members are legally required to consider as part of the Annual Return. Members considered the Annual Accounts and Annual Governance and Accountability Statement/Return and were satisfied that the Parish Council has met all its' legal and accounting obligations. It was proposed by Cllr. Rod Bowker, seconded by Cllr. Tim Bilborough and unanimously agreed to approve the Annual Governance Statement and Return and the End of Year Accounts as at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018. Motion carried. The Certificate of Exemption and Annual Governance Statement was duly signed by the Chairman, Cllr. Rod Bowker and countersigned by the Parish Clerk (Kevin Glyn-Davies).

**871. TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE FROM THE LLPF COMMITTEE AND ACTIVITIES**

Cllr. Tim Bilborough advised that the dog signage needs updating and the fencing down one side needs fixing at the LL playing fields. Cllr. Tim Bilborough outlined that the cabin roof needs repairing and it would be a good time to replace it.

**Action:** Cllr. Bilborough to look in to costs for this.

**872. TO DETERMINE PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

Planning application for Meadow View, the Parish Council were in agreement that there were no objections.

Planning Application 18/01209/FULLN – Erection of two public sculptures, Public Open Space, Smannell Road, the Parish Council agreed no objections.

**873. FOOTPATH AND ROADS UPDATE**

Cllr. Tim Bilborough requested that the sign for Ridges View in Little London be reallocated to the start of Ridges View housing, rather than conflicting with the Frenches Farm Lane sign.

**Action:** Cllr. Kirsty Locke to action this with Hants CC..

Cllr. Kirsty Locke advised that the repair work to the ridge at Green Lane to strengthen the edge of the road would be completed by the end of the month.

It was advised that the rain was not draining sufficiently around the roundabout at the entrance to Augusta Park coming from Smannell.

**Action:** Kirsty Locke to take this up with Hants CC.

TVBC have written to residents within the parish with regards to the consultation to create a footpath between Augusta Park and Smannell Village.

Cllr. Phil North outlined that there had been a previous proposal to create gravel areas on the blind bends along the stretch of road, however this was opposed by Hampshire

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County Council. HCC will only support a full pathway linking Augusta Park and Smannell Village. The survey/consultation is open to residents of Augusta Park, Smannell, Little London and Finkley and Cllr. Phil North expressed he would like to await the results before pressing further. Cllr. Phil North advised that Hampshire County Council would use the section 106 funds to create the pathway. The Parish Council expressed that they are opposed to the pathway as it creates an urbanisation of Smannell Village and conflicts with the green space between the village and Andover town. The Parish Council would like to see traffic calming measures put in place to create a safer road between Augusta Park and Smannell. Cllr. Rod Bowker suggested that the speed limit be reduced to 30mph and the road markings be used to create traffic calming.

A member of the public in attendance suggested that by creating a pathway, this would remove the risk of pedestrians on the road entirely, which may be safer than the traffic calming measures. It was also suggested that the pathway would allow the residents to use the facilities of Smannell, such as, the Pub and the School, however the Parish Council added that there is already natural pathways that can be used.

Cllr. Phil North expressed his discomfort at a letter that had been circulated to residents with regards to street lighting along the path. Cllr. North outlined that he had always advised there to be no inclusion of street lighting in the plan. Members of the public in attendance raised their concerns that although there is no street lighting included in the plan currently, Cllr. North could not ensure that this would not be added in the future. In response to this Cllr. North assured that he would have it written in to the plans that there would be no street lighting required along the pathway moving forward. The survey is open until 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2018 and the Parish Council will await the results.

### **874. BOROUGH AND COUNTY COUNCIL REPORTS**

Cllr. Phil North advised that he had no information to add.

Cllr. Kirsty Locke outlined that the devolved budget was now open and that applications were very welcome. Cllr. Rod Bowker advised that the dog bins and benches previously installed had been well received.

### **875. COUNCILLORS QUESTIONS**

A member of the public in attendance advised that extra dog bins were required up to the woods from the school. Cllr. Phil North will require request and location for bins via email.

**Action:** Chairman to take contact TVBC with siting, acquisition and installation of bins.

Cllr. Rod Bowker advised that Fibre Broadband was now available in the village and that BT can be contacted and they will come to connect it.

Cllr. Rod Bowker advised that there were Parish Council websites available and that these would be needed to be populated.

**Action:** Council to make a plan for new website.

*With no further business to transact the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.40pm.*