

GREYWELL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Greywell Parish Council meeting
held in the Village Hall at 6pm on Tuesday 26 October 2021

In attendance: - Cllr D Millard, Cllr M Barter and Cllr H Mogg

Also in attendance: - Beverley Bridgman (Parish Clerk), County Cllr J Glen and District Cllr J Kennett

Draft minutes subject to confirmation

1. Co-option to the Parish Council

There was one application from John Pocock for the casual vacancy on the Parish Council, it was therefore PROPOSED, SECONDED and AGREED to co-opt John Pocock on to the Parish Council

2. New Cllr to sign Acceptance of Office

Cllr Pocock was unable to attend the meeting. However, the Parish Clerk confirmed he had been given both a 'Declaration of Acceptance of Office' form and a 'Register of Interests' form for completion. Cllr Pocock was aware that the 'Register of Interests' form must be returned to the Monitoring Officer at Hart District Council within 28 days

3. Receive and accept apologies for absence

Apologies received and accepted from the Earl of Malmesbury and Cllr Pocock. Apologies also received from District Cllr Crookes

4. Receive and note any declarations of interest relevant to the Agenda

None

5. The Chairman to sign as a correct record the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 19 August 2021

Approved and signed

6. Open the meeting to members of the public

One member of the public attended the meeting

7. Receive reports

- The October report from County Cllr Glen had been circulated to Parish Cllrs and the village prior to the meeting and can be found in Appendix A. Cllr Glen also confirmed the County Council had been discussing Government plans for new 'county deals' which would give upper-tier and unitary authorities the same powers as metro mayors. A government white paper outlining more details is due to be published later this year and this should state how 'county deals' will impact councils; Cllr Glen will keep the Parish Council and residents updated

Cllr Glen suggested the Parish Council could write to their MP regarding the solar farm applications in the area

- District Cllr Kennett confirmed there will be a Hart Planning Committee meeting on 10 November 2021 to discuss the solar farm applications at Bunkers Hill ([21/00552/FUL](#)) and Chosley Farm ([20/03185/FUL](#)) There will be an opportunity for a Greywell Parish Cllr to speak at this committee meeting and reiterate the views of Greywell Parish Council

Cllr Kennett also warned of the possibility of refuse collection problems over Christmas due to the extra quantities of rubbish over this period and issues with employing HGV drivers

- District Cllr Crookes sent a written report: "*At its September meeting Council adopted an updated Members' Code of Conduct following its consideration at the Standards Committee.*

At the September Council, Councillor Ken Crookes asked questions about the management plan for Odiham Common, requesting up to date copies of the documentation.

At its October meeting, Cabinet considered an updated agreement with Everyone Active for their management of Hart's leisure centres.

Hart announced the temporary suspension of the garden waste collection service due to a shortage of HGV drivers. Basingstoke and Deane with whom Hart operate a shared service made a similar announcement.

At its October meeting, the Overview and Scrutiny meeting considered a number of savings options for the medium term financial strategy. This will include options for a review of the Local Plan.

The Shapley Heath project has been suspended, pending the outcome of any review of Hart's Local Plan."

8. Consider and discuss the following planning applications:

a) Repair the existing roof using reused and reclaimed matching clay tiles and repair the cast iron rainwater goods

The Old Forge, Hook Road, Greywell, RG29 1BT

Reference 21/02463/LBC

The Parish Council discussed the application; it was resolved to submit a comment of support

9. Update on previous planning applications

Since the last Parish Council meeting on 19 August 2021 the Parish Council have sent the following comments to Hart District Council (HDC) using their Planning Protocol:

Support for 21/01350/HOU and 21/01351/LBC, The Old Vicarage, The Street, Greywell, RG29 1BZ

Support for 21/01889/LBC, Old Pound Cottage, Hook Road Greywell, RG29 1BU

Support for 21/02047/LBC and 21/02046/HOU, Cedar Tree House, The Street, Greywell, RG29 1DD

Further objection to 20/03185/FUL, Chosley Farm, Bidden Road North Warnborough Hook Hampshire RG29 1BW (a copy of the objection letter can be found on the hart.gov.uk website)

Since the last Parish Council meeting HDC has refused the following planning applications:

21/01350/HOU and 21/01351/LBC, The Old Vicarage, The Street, Greywell, RG29 1BZ

21/02046/HOU and 21/02047/LBC, Cedar Tree House, The Street Greywell, RG29 1DD

10. Approve the Electronic Payment request for October

Approved-The Electronic Payment request for October is shown below:

To	Item	Amount	Invoice number
Staff	Salary October 2021	£266.08	10/21
Staff	Expenses October 2021	£57.82	10/21
Greywell Village Hall	Hire of hall October 2021	£12.50	210012

11. Note the current financial situation and sign bank statements

Noted-The current financial situation can be found in Appendix B. The balances as at 20 October 2021 were:

Current Account: £8181.54

Savings Account: £12.26

12. Q2 accounts

Attached in Appendix C

13. Discuss 'Autumn Appeal' for funds from CPRE Hampshire

Agreed to support CPRE Hampshire with a donation of £50 and to request that the Parish Council are kept up to date with matters specifically concerning CPRE Hampshire's involvement with 'Seeking Protection for the North Hampshire Downs' and solar farm applications in the area

14. Consider a Greywell Parish Council Grant Awarding Policy and application form (as per Internal Audit report this year)

Cllrs agreed to postpone until the next Parish Council meeting

15. Approve Risk Assessment for Fireworks and Bonfire party on 6 November 2021

Approved

16. Note Village Clean Up on 25 September and the approval of expenses in conjunction with Chairman

Noted-The Parish Clerk, with authorisation from the Chairman, paid expenses of £47.66 on 5 October. The 2021-2022 budget included an amount of £120 for village clean ups

17. Seeking Protection for the North Hampshire Downs

The Chairs of Cliddesden, Ellisfield and Winslade have written to Greywell Parish Council for support and willingness to work with them in gaining Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty status for the area of Hampshire known as the North Hampshire Downs. The reasons for this are to protect the area from land management approaches that encourage landowners to seek creative ways to maximise their income, through major housing developments or other damaging developments, meaning that no green fields are safe. Also, the public have realised through the pandemic lockdowns that their countryside is important to them for mental and physical health as well as environmental considerations, wildlife, climate mitigation. Discussions have been held with The North Wessex AONB and CPRE and the Councils of Basingstoke and Hart who are in support of the status if there is enough support from residents in the area.

Agreed Greywell Parish Council support this proposal

18. Speed Watch & Gigabit Broadband update by Cllr Mogg

- Cllr Mogg confirmed that, subject to obtaining equipment from Hart District Council, Speed Watch would take place in the week beginning 7 November 2021
- Cllr Mogg advised that whilst she had received confirmation from Open Reach that super fast broadband would be made available to those who had signed up to the scheme, it was not clear how the voucher system would work. It was also not clear if there would be a form for individuals to complete to commit to upgrading to the super fast broadband. Cllr Mogg will seek clarification from Open Reach and discuss with the Long Sutton super fast broadband representative

19. Land at the Pumping Station update by Cllr Barter

Cllr Barter confirmed he had researched claiming 'adverse possession' of the land via the HMRC website and felt that this is something the Parish Council can proceed with without the need for legal help. Cllr Barter and Cllr Millard will look at the process together and provide an update at the next meeting

20. Painting of the telephone box update by Cllr Barter

Cllr Barter confirmed he had spoken with the landlady of the Fox and Goose who had confirmed they have the necessary paint for this work and will begin the repainting shortly

21. Confirm the date and time of the next meeting

Village Hall, at 6pm on 14 December 2021 (please note the time has now changed to 7.15pm)

22. To agree that under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the press and public are excluded from the meeting whilst confidential business is discussed

It was resolved to close the meeting to the press and public under the Public Bodies (Admission to meetings) Act 1960

23. To discuss confidential business regarding salary reviews in preparation for 22-23 budget

Information under confidential minutes

Hampshire County Councillor report

October 2021

1. Household Waste Recycling Centres

Hampshire County Council is lifting the one visit per week limit for residents taking waste to one of the county's 24 household waste recycling centres (HWRCs), although the requirement to book visits online will remain in place for the time being.

Residents are however asked to make the most of each visit and separate out items for reuse and recycling to help reduce the amount of waste that has to be disposed of. Greater efficiency in recycling will ensure that the service is more cost effective.

The new arrangement will be effective from Monday 4 October. While there will be no limit on the number of bookings per week, the County Council requests any bookings made which later are not required, are cancelled so that they can be available to others.

Residents can visit the County Council's [waste and recycling webpages](#) for further information and to [book an appointment](#).

Separately, Hampshire County Council has agreed to commission Veolia UK to prepare and submit a planning application seeking permission to develop a new materials recovery facility in Eastleigh, at Chickenhall Lane. This will help enable the county's waste collection and disposal authorities to meet potential future legislative requirements and recycle materials that current facilities are unable to, including plastic pots, tubs and trays, glass and cartons.

2. Support for bus services

Hampshire County Council has committed to extend its additional, Covid related support for community transport services – committing to a further six months (1 October 2021 – 31 March 2022) while the country continues its economic recovery from the pandemic.

This means that the Authority will continue the policy of paying 100% contract and concessionary fares payments to Community Transport operators. The move will assist those operators in the recovery and operation of their services, covering them for any loss of service user income which they may continue to experience due to COVID-19 over the winter and into early spring.

3. HCC budget balancing proposals update

Hampshire County Council has begun important financial planning - with feedback from residents to be considered - on options to help the Authority address an anticipated two-year shortfall in its budget of at least £80 million by April 2023. This is necessary if the County Council is to deliver a balanced budget, which is required by law. Councils across England are facing similar budgetary pressures.

The proposals will include Children's Services which aim to achieve savings of £21.3 million over the next two financial years (2022/2023 and 2023/2024). Maintaining good quality education and ensuring safe and effective social care services that are targeted to vulnerable children, young people and their families, are the priorities underpinning these savings proposals.

The resulting proposals from all County Council departments be considered by the County Council's [Cabinet](#) and [full Council](#) at their respective meetings on 12 October and 4 November 2021.

4. Walktober

October is the International Walk to School month. As part of this, Hampshire County Council is encouraging parents to leave the car at home for all or part of the school run, and to walk the journey instead - to help build opportunities for exercise in their children's school day, and to improve air quality around schools. It is one of the County Council's all year round initiatives to promote active travel and good road safety awareness among all those who use the roads.

Another of these initiatives is the [Junior Road Safety Officer \(JRSO\) programme](#) which trains Year 5 and Year 6 children to be ambassadors for road safety at their schools. JRSOs lead by example and share their knowledge with their fellow pupils about the importance of safety when walking to and from school.

The number of children walking to school in Hampshire over the last 15 years has risen to over 50% of pupils.

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Greywell Parish Council Monthly Sheet for October 2021 (Appendix B)

Lloyds Current Account

Balance as at 13 August 2021

£8773.86 (agrees statement dated 31 August 2021)

Payments

<u>Date</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Amount</u>
20 August 2021	Greywell Village Hall Invoice 210006	£12.50
31 August 2021	Staff Salary August	£266.08
30 September 2021	Staff Salary September	£266.08
5 October 2021	C Boyle (Village Clean Up Expenses)	£47.66

Balance as at 20 October 2021

£8181.54 (agrees on line statement printed 20 October)

Lloyds Savings Account

Balance as at 13 August 2021

£12.26 (agrees on line statement dated 12 August)

Balance as at 20 October 2021

£12.26 (agrees on line statement printed 20 October)

Total Balance as at 20 October 2021

Lloyds Current Account	£8181.54
Lloyds Savings Account	£12.26
Unpresented cheques	Nil
Cancelled cheques	Nil
Net Bank Balance	£8193.80

Chairmans Signature and date:

Greywell Parish Council Q2 Accounts 30 September 2021

Incoming Payments

	Predicted 2021-2022	Already received	
Precept	£5200.00	£5200.00	
Bank Interest	£0.00	£0.00	
VAT refund	£100.00	£0.00	** VAT of £70.38 to be re-claimed
Totals	£5300.00	£5200.00	

Outgoing Payments

	Budget 2021-2022	Already paid	What's left in the budget
Salary	£3193.00	£1596.48	£1596.52
Clerk's Expenses	£50.00	£0.00	£50.00
Administration	£50.00	£6.85	£43.15
Insurance	£400.00	£339.13	£60.87
Audit	£160.00	£125.00	£35.00
Venue Hire	£100.00	£24.49	£75.51
Website Management	£300.00	£157.91	£142.09
Repairs and Maintenance	£575.00	£326.00	£249.00
Training	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Subscriptions and Donations	£300.00	£234.95	£65.05
Chairmans Allowance	£50.00	£0.00	£50.00
VAT paid	£100.00	£59.18	£40.82
Totals	£5278.00	£2869.99	£2408.01

Balance Carried Forward 30/4/21	£5911.45
ADD Total receipts (as above)	£5200.00
LESS Total payments (as above)	£2869.99
Balance Carried Forward 30/9/21	£8241.46
Current Account as at 30/9/21	8229.2
Savings Account as at 30/9/21	12.26
Total	£8241.46