



Draft Report of the Parish Assembly

Monday 19th April 2021, 7.30pm – remote meeting via Zoom

Present: Parish Councillors Jan Hughes (Chairman) Keith Alderman, Guy Chessell
Adam Knight, Jennifer Roberts. Clerk Susan Turner.

Guests Cllr County Cllr David Simpson, Ward Cllr Anne Crampton, Hart Councillor Richard
Quartermann, Portfolio Holder for Commercialisation. Members of the Public: 1

1 CHAIRMAN'S INTRODUCTION

The Chairman welcomed and thanked those attending.

All Parish Assemblies were cancelled last year due to Covid, guidance for this year is for remote Assemblies to be held before 7th May. Thanks to Guy Chessell for hosting. Apologies Douglas Wheeler, PCSO Nick Greenwood

Minutes of last Parish Assembly of April 2019 – Agreed and to be signed.

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3 OPEN FLOOR DISCUSSION

Questions raised...

1. When if ever will the old phone box be installed and as what?
A. Presently in storage, COVID permitting it will be a project for this year. To be maintained as part of the heritage of the village. Other uses tba.
2. Is provision to be made at Hound Green for parking for walkers?
A. There is no opportunity as the Green is 'Common' land registered as Village Green. All other land is private or Highway.
3. Has there been an update from the council or the police on proposals to make the B3349 and B3011 safer for all users?
A. HCC reviewed the Parish roads, updated lines and signs – and modified posts to enable use of the SIDs – in 2018/19. Also installed pedestrian crossing sign on B3011 by the Red Hill, Plough Lane junction. Thanks to former Parish Councillors Bob Aylmer and Frazer Hamilton for leading on this. No other work is scheduled. The SIDs are intended to influence driver behaviour for the better (ongoing with thanks to Frazer for managing) and have been used as data recorders on the B3011. The Police are willing to install police camera signs and HCC have agreed to this, the timescale as per their email of January is 'springtime' this year. Roads Policing Unit looking to have the police camera van deployed, looking for suitable sites.
4. Re 'actively lobbying for action'. Has there been any further action following three serious accident along the B3349 in the last six months?
A. Cllr Simpson noted that County follows its Policy as updated 2016, ie: 'The new policy focuses the County Council's limited traffic management resources on measures and projects where there is evidence they will benefit casualty reduction by responding to issues at locations with the greatest scope to reduce casualties.'
5. It has been said that the layby at Vicarage lane is to be closed? There will then be no parking to facilitate walkers in Hound Green?
A. No-one aware of such plans, Councillor Simpson would normally be notified, clerk to enquire.

Councillor Simpson noted that at one time he used to hold regular meetings with HCC and Parish Councils. This now not possible, as with many things, because of cut-backs. When a new County Councillor is elected this will be an opportunity to request an update for the various parishes.

Meeting closed at 8pm with thanks to all present.

For signature Date

APPENDIX I

PARISH COUNCIL – BRIEF REPORT TO ASSEMBLY 2021

(All Parish Assemblies cancelled in 2020 due to Covid)

1 GLEBE WOOD

- i. Coppicing, creating log piles – Phase I of Woodland Management Plan as the agreement with Woodland Trust.
- ii. Spring bulb and wildflower planting – thanks to volunteers, thanks to grant from Cllr Simpson's devolved budget.
- iii. Clearing the 'track' as an area for walking.
- iv. Repaired stile into Hortus Loci.

2 HOUND GREEN

- i. Oak furniture wood treated and oiled with thanks to Simon Varney who took on all the work as a volunteer.
- ii. Ditching complete.
- iii. Trees safety checked by tree surgeon, one small Oak (growing at angle, risk of future instability) removed.
- iv. Bus shelter turned around.

3. Parish Lengthsman

Footpath strimming FPs 13, 14, 12, 16, 20 (no Countryside Services cutting programme 2020/21 due to Covid). Clearing patch of Himalayan Balsam on FP 21 down to Whitewater. Secure steps to FP 32 Hazeley Bottom.

4 SID Thanks to Frazer Hamilton for managing Parish SIDs and data collection.

5 Plough Lane traffic calming Thanks to Nigel Bruce for raising concerns re traffic risk to pedestrians, horses, cyclists – in Plough Lane. Initial proposal for gateways, lines, signs submitted to HCC Safer Roads.

6 Shoulder of Mutton Registered as a Asset of Community Value.

7 Planning

- i. Responded to the Government Planning White Paper Consultation.
- ii. Responded to Bulkers Hill Solar EIA screening application, then developer community consultation, and planning application (in consultation with Hampshire and IofW Wildlife Trust) with a case for more mixed use – increased capacity within the solar farm for wildlife benefit (plus ongoing agriculture, sheep grazing etc).