

**FAWLEY PARISH COUNCIL**

**15 JANUARY 2007**

**PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE**

Minutes of the meeting of the Public Services Committee held on Monday 15 January 2007 at 7.00 pm in the Jubilee Hall, Fawley.

p Cllr R A Wappet, Chairman  
Cllr D J Staines, Vice Chairman

**Councillors:**

p	B Hall	p	E J Holtham
	Mrs B M Maynard	p	Mrs A McEvoy
	P. Pearce-Smith MBE		

**In Attendance:**

Cllr M Fidler  
Cllr A Glass  
District Councillor G Parkes  
Tim Titheridge, Rok Development  
Andy Goodridge, Rok Development  
Nigel Burt, ExxonMobil  
Graham Neal, ExxonMobil  
1 Member of the Public  
Malcolm Anderson, Clerk to the Council

**69 Apologies**

An apology was received from Councillor Mrs Maynard.

**70 Declarations of Interest**

Cllr Fidler declared a non-prejudicial interest in Minute 72 (b) - Planning, as he is a member of new Forest District Council Planning Committee. He stated that he would consider applications on the evidence in front of him.

**71 To sign the Minutes of the Meeting held on 13 November 2006**

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 13 November 2006, be signed as a true record.

**72 Planning:-**

**(a) To Receive a presentation by Andy Goodridge, ROK Developments re Planning Application 06/89222**

The Chairman welcomed Andy Goodridge and Tim Titheridge Director of ROK Development to the meeting to outline their company's view on their proposed layout plans for 3 buildings. Building application category B1, B2 & B8 at Lime Kiln Lane, Hardley. The proposed development comprises of three buildings, which include a single

storey warehouse, single storey industrial building and a two-storey office block, which will be subdivided into four self-contained office units. The landscape surrounding the layout will include semi-mature trees being planted between the residential properties and the proposed site, footpaths and screening for parked cars, cycle stores and bin stores area. Following discussion Mr Titheridge agreed to contact Hampshire County Council's Highways to submit a proposal for vehicles to turn right on leaving the premises. The Council thanked the representatives from ROK for attending the meeting.

**The Chairman welcomed Nigel Burt and Graham Neal from ExxonMobile** to give a statement relating to the detection of traces of Naphtha, a hydrocarbon in one of the Fawley Refinery's boundary fence's boreholes. This borehole is situated alongside the boundary at Kennels Corner. An investigation is taking place by Esso's specialist and a team of expert consultants, which include the Environmental Agency and New Forest District Council to determine the source of this hydrocarbon

The investigation is not yet complete but ExxonMobile informed the meeting that they are committed to solving the problem and will inform the Council of the outcome.

### 73. Planning

It was **RESOLVED** that the comments made on the planning applications appearing in the following list be forwarded to New Forest District Council.

- a) **06/89185** Portcabin for church activities  
New Hope Centre Hardley Green Hardley  
The Council **SUPPORTS** this application.
- 06/89190** External Shutters  
144 Hampton Lane, Blackfield, Fawley  
The Council **AGREED** to accept the decision of the Planning Officers.
- 06/89198** Rear Conservatory  
Westacre West Common Blackfield  
The Council **SUPPORTS** this application
- 06/89200** One and two-storey side extension  
3 Larkspur Gardens, Holbury, Fawley  
The Council **AGREED** to accept the decision of the Planning Officers.
- 06/89205** One and two storey extension; dormer  
31 The Glade, Langley  
The Council **OBJECTS** to this application on the grounds of over development and lack of parking.

- 06/89210** 8 dwellings comprised of 2 detached houses; 3 pairs of semi-detached houses  
The Council **OBJECTS** to this application.  
**The previous outlined application No 87492 was objected by the Parish Council on the following grounds**
- a) proposed development would be too dense for the size of the site,
  - b) Too many cars using a small lane,
  - c) Very intrusive and loss of privacy on neighbouring properties especially 'Jonwin'
  - d) The development land locks other land.
  - e) The proposed dwellings are out of character with the surrounding bungalows.
  - f) Request Highways to consider the increased problem of bad visibility, already made worse by a previous development in the area, as raised at the time by the Parish Council.
- 06/89216** Retention of Conservatory  
Bolin Green Lane Blackfield Fawley  
The Council **SUPPORT** this application.
- 06/89222** 3 Buildings for B1,B2 and B8 use  
Lime Kiln Lane Hardley  
The Council **SUPPORT** this application.
- 06/89230** Attached House  
2 Oakley Close, Holbury  
The Council **OBJECTS** to this application on the following grounds:-  
Over - development and lack of parking.
- 06/89247** Rear Conservatory  
Poldhu Villa Blackfield Road Fawley  
The Council **SUPPORTS** this application
- 06/89155** (This application referred from Amenities Committee 8 January 2006 for further consideration)  
1KW wind generator at rear  
The Laurels, New Road Blackfield  
The Council **OBJECTS** to this application on the grounds of visible impact and the level of noise continuing for twenty-four hours a day.

Following discussion it was agreed that the Clerks writes to Environmental Agency requesting that an investigation be made on wind generators.

**74. To Receive Member's Reports on:**

**(a) Ashlett (Cllr Hall)**

Hampshire County Council has commenced work on the drainage system in Ashlett Road. Cadland Estate has yet to start repairing the gravel road leading to the Sailing Club.

**(b) Play Equipment (Cllr M Fidler)**

Councillor Fidler's reported that the play areas are in a satisfactory condition.

**(c) Buses (Cllr Wappet)**

Copy of correspondence received from Hampshire County Council relating to bus changes, was noted.

**(d) Footpaths (Cllr Holtham)**

Copy of letter from Hampshire County Council relating to improvements to Hart Hill was noted.

**(e) Holbury Manor (Cllr Holtham)**

A request was made by Councillor Holtham to improve the lay out of the paths at Holbury Manor to enable easier access for the disabled. Following discussion it was **RESOLVED** that the relaying of the gravel paths should go-ahead subject to the receiving of grants.

Councillor Parkes gave details on the site of the Abbey Grange, which is now known as Holbury Manor. A request has been made from the Waterside Heritage for a project to be undertaken to investigate and evaluate the post medieval use of the site. Brockenhurst College and undergraduates from Southampton University will assist. The Council were asked to agree to receive applications from individuals for consideration. Following discussion it was agreed, that provided the land was reinstated to its present condition the Council will accept the applications.

**(f) QEII (Cllrs Fidler and Wappet)**

Councillor Fidler reported that the fencing surrounding the QEII is being kicked down and concrete thrown around. It was agreed that the Clerk writes to New Forest District Council re fly tipping relating to rubbish being dumped on the footpath between Walkers Lane South and Walkers Lane North.

**(g) Gang Warily (Cllr Holtham)**

Cllr Holtham highlighted the problems being caused in gaining access to the Scout and Guide centre by parking of Solent Blue Line buses. It was agreed that the Clerk writes to Solent Blue Line requesting that this area be kept clear.

Cllr Holtham suggested that the skateboarding area be amalgamated with the site of the new play area being developed in Newlands Park. Following discussion it was agreed that the skate park will not be moved.

Congratulation was offered to the Head Groundsman for the good state of the football pitches.

Reference was made to the advertisement in the Lymington Times inviting tenders for the All Weather Surface. The Clerk gave details of a discussion that had taken place at the Amenities Committee concerning the area and said that to adhere to the Council's financial regulations an advertisement concerning the tendering process had to be placed in the press. Discussions on any replacement surface are still to take place through the Public Services Committee and no decision has been taken.

**(h) Allotments (Cllr Holtham)**

The hedge on the Fawley roadside has been removed and the fence strengthened to help with security.

- 75. To Note the Minutes of the meeting held to discuss Traffic Management in Holbury, and To Consider entering into a Parish Partnership Agreement with Hampshire County Council.**  
A report was given By Councillor Glass and following discussion it was **RESOLVED** that the Partnership Agreement with Hampshire County Council be agreed subject to a satisfactory plan being drawn up and obtaining grants towards Fawley Parish Council's 50% share.
- 76. To Consider 'Project Management Report' from NFDC and Town/Parish Council partnership working.**  
The Report was noted.
- 77. To Note** the closure of Fawley Village Public Conveniences.  
Following discussion it was agreed that the Clerk writes to New Forest District Council requesting that the toilets are repaired and To consider having automatic locks installed.
- 78 Correspondence**
- a)** Letter received from Fawley Historians  
This letter was noted
  - b)** Letter received from New Forest District Council re Amenity Car Parks.  
This letter was noted.
- 79 To Note News Release re Wheeled Bins from New Forest District Council**  
This News Release was noted.
- 80. To Note Hampshire County Council Annual road resurfacing programme for 2006/2007.**  
This programme was noted.

**Date of next meeting 5 March 2007**

The meeting closed at 8.52 pm