

PARISH COUNCIL OF DENMEAD

MINUTES OF THE HIGHWAYS and GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 21st JANUARY 2015 IN THE OLD SCHOOL, SCHOOL LANE, DENMEAD COMMENCING AT 7.30 pm



Members:	Cllr P Langford-Smith (Chairman)	(P)
	Cllr K Andreoli	(P)
	Cllr W Crowther	
	Cllr R Hallett	(P)
	Cllr J Harrison	
	Cllr N Lander-Brinkley	(P)
	Cllr I Reed	(P)
	Cllr K Scholey	(P)
	Cllr G West	(P)

Also Present: Cllr Brown, Julian Higgins Assistant Manager Street Lighting at HCC and Kelvin Andrews, Deputy Clerk to the Council.

- 077/15H** **Apologies:** Apologies were received from Cllr Harrison. **Noted**
- 078/15H** **Declarations of Interest:** There were no declarations of interest made at this time. **Noted.**
- 079/15H** **Minutes of the Previous Meeting:** The minutes of the meeting held on 12th November 2014 were submitted for approval. **It was RESOLVED that the minutes be accepted as an accurate record and were duly signed by the Chairman of the meeting.**
- 080/15H** **Street Lighting:** Julian Higgins, Assistant Highways Manager (ITS & Street Lighting) Street Lighting Section, HCC gave a presentation on the new street lights installed within the village. **It was RESOLVED to defer any decision regarding the lights until after September when the necessary equipment to allow dimming/switching off had been installed.**
- 081/15H** **Public Participation:** At 7.55 pm the meeting recessed into open forum to allow comments from members of the public. The meeting re-convened at 8.02 pm.
Matters Arising and Outstanding Matters from previous Minutes:
- 082/15H** (a) **HCC Highway Improvements:** A licence from the Highway Authority, at a fee of £109, was required to place the planters and bench on the footway in the village centre. **It was RESOLVED to accept the terms for the licence and to approve the expenditure of £109 for the licence from HCC with funding coming from the Village Centre Maintenance budget.**
- 083/15H** (b) **HCC Highway Improvements ~ Funding:** Cllr Lander-Brinkley explained to members that the current improvements were being funded from two different sources and it was thanks to the intervention of County Councillor Stallard that the Parish Council had been given the opportunity to have an input into how this money was being spent. **Noted.**
- (c) **Milestone ~ Hambledon Road:**
- 084/15H** i) **Original Milestone:** Two options had been provided to restore the original Milestone located in the garden wall of Linsey House, Hambledon Road. Option A ~ Re-face the stone using a generator, hand cut and then paint the lettering and add Stain stop to help preserve the milestone at a total cost £210 plus vat. Option B ~ Re-face the stone using a generator, paint the lettering and add Stain stop to help preserve the milestone at a total cost £172.50 plus vat. Lettering to read Portsth 10 Miles. Grant funding had been obtained from County Cllr Stallard to carry out the restoration. **It was RESOLVED that the restoration be carried out under option A.**
- 085/15H** ii) **New Milestone:** It had previously been resolved to purchase a replacement 3" Portland milestone and fit the original plaque into a recess so it sits flush at a total cost £215.00 plus vat at 20%. The milestone to be placed on the village green. **It**

was **RESOLVED** that the replacement milestone should be placed under the notice board on the village green and that a brass plaque with a written explanation thereon should be attached to the notice board with all costs not exceeding £250 coming from the village centre maintenance budget.

- 086/15H iii) Ceremony: It was **AGREED** that once the work had been completed a small ceremony would be held to recognise the work.

Police:

- 087/15H (a) Police Report: No police present. **Noted**
- 088/15H (b) Community Speedwatch: It was reported at the Safer Neighbourhood Panel meeting held on 15th January 2015 that a number of volunteers had come forward and it was now hoped to be able to progress a scheme within Denmead. **Noted.**

Burial Ground:

- 089/15H (a) Applications: The list of applications received from 12th November 2014 to 21st January 2015 had been distributed to members for their information. **Noted.**
- 090/15H (b) Maintenance - Drainage Ditch : It was **RESOLVED** that W J Swansborough be awarded the contract to clear the ditch, rod the drainage pipe, and clear the drainage pond of silt to enable the pipe to flow into the pond with all spoil being removed for a total cost of £500 plus vat with funding coming from the Burial Ground funds.
- 091/15H (c) Pedestrian Gate: Cllr Reed informed members that it had been necessary to remove the pedestrian gate as the holding posts had rotted and it had become unsafe. Work was in hand to replace both posts with green Oak and this work was being carried out by the Groundstaff. Funding once complete would need to come from the Burial Ground funds. **Noted.**

Footpaths Sub-committee:

- 092/15H (a) Minutes: The minutes of the meeting held on 30th September 2014 were received. **Noted.**
- 093/15H (b) Arising and Outstanding Matters: There were no matters arising or outstanding. **Noted.**
- 094/15H Correspondence: There was no separate correspondence to receive. **Noted.**
- 095/15H Village Centre: It was reported that the last of the impact bollards had been used to replace a broken cast iron bollard. It was **RESOLVED** to purchase 3 spare bollards at a cost of £540 excluding vat.
- 096/15H Referred from Amenities Committee – 3.12.2014: Cllr Brown had asked at the Amenities meeting if the Parish Council had thought about purchasing an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) for the village and the matter had been referred to this committee for consideration. Following discussion It was **RESOLVED** to seek grant funding for the purchase and installation of two Automated External Defibrillators.

The meeting closed at 8.39 pm

**Members are summoned to the next scheduled meeting of this Committee,
which will be held in The Old School, School Lane, Denmead
at 7.30 pm on Wednesday 4th March 2015**

Public Session ~ Highways and General Purposes Committee – 21st January 2015

Cllr Brown, speaking as a member of the public, asked if the re-instatement of Hambledon Road following recent gas works was temporary or a final finish as it was of poor quality. He was informed that it was a final finish. His concerns were to be reported to Hampshire Highways. Cllr Brown also referred to the item relating to Automated External Defibrillators and stated that he had originally raised this at Amenities and thought that this would be an asset to the village.

Cllr Lander-Brinkley, speaking as a member of the public, raised the issue of damaged grass verges and asked if the Parish Council had delegated authority to write to householders. Members were informed that the Parish Council did not have delegated authority in this matter and that any damaged verges would need to be reported to the Highway Authority.