HEDGE END TOWN COUNCIL - MINUTES OF A FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD 18 NOVEMBER 2020

Clirs. Present: Clir Sheila Baynes, Clir Paul Carnell, Clir Ian Corben, Clir Tonia Craig, Clir Cynthia Garton, Clir Keith House, Clir John Jupe, Clir Lucy Jurd (Chair), Clir Rupert Kyrle, Clir Jim Mitchell, Clir Cliff Morris, Clir Ron Nichols, Clir Derek Pretty, Clir John Shepherd, Clir Jane Welsh

In attendance: Sgt Stuart Jackson

1. Apologies

Cllr Maggie Allingham, Cllr Helen Corben, Cllr Pat Jenkins, Cllr Ben Thomas

2. Public Questions not on the Agenda

No members of the public were present.

3. Declarations of Interest

None received.

4. To Receive a Police Report

The police reports were circulated in advance and Sgt Stuart Jackson was in attendance. Sgt Jackson explained that there were not great differences in the report from last month with the exception of an increase in business burglaries and the incident on Turnpike. The police have intelligence on where the vehicle was stolen, and the possible individuals involved and hopes to be able to update at the next meeting.

Sgt Jackson also provided an update on the reports of drug related and ASB incidents that were made last month.

Following the emails on the parking at McDonalds from Cllr Corben he has been trying to follow this up with the various people and has not had much luck so will be trying to email as many people as possible to try and get this resolved. Sgt Jackson also spoke to McDonalds about the potential Covid breaches and was disappointed in their response and does not anticipate their assistance in this matter.

Cllr Corben was grateful that this was being looked at and is sure that the business owners in the area will be grateful for any support in resolving the issue.

Cllr Welsh felt that was an ongoing issue that has been around for years and wondered if there was any positive action that was taking place in terms of enforcement. Sgt Jackson confirmed that they were unable to target McDonalds in particular, however there will be some drink driving campaigns leading up to Christmas in this location.

Cllr Garton thanked Sgt Jackson in his effort, reiterating that since Covid the queues have got longer and in the early months they implemented a queuing system and they have to take some responsibility and try and make some effort.

Cllr Morris asked if a prosecution is bought, do they normally ask for compensation for the people that suffer i.e. the council so that this does not have to come from the taxpayer. Sgt Jackson confirmed that if there are offenders that are in court the officer in charge would normally contact the council to get a valuation of the damage and apply to the court for recompense.

Cllr Craig noted that Bursledon have spent considerable amounts of money on repairs to road signs as it never seems to be claimed by the police from the offenders. Sgt Jackson said that he would talk to the teams involved and ask that they do make these claims.

Sgt Jackson confirmed that he was happy to receive emails from anyone that has any issues in Hedge End. **RESOLVED: The Town Clerk to circulate Sgt Jacksons email.**

5. To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on Wednesday 21 October 2020.

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the meeting held on 21 October be confirmed and signed by the Chair as a correct record.

6. Chair's Remarks

Cllr Jurd was honoured to lay a wreath on remembrance Sunday where there was a small gathering of members of the public who observed the silence at 11am. Cllr Garton representing Eastleigh Borough Council was also in attendance. Cllr Jurd also noted that there was a small gathering on Armistice Day on the 11th with the two-minute silence at 11am.

This year due to Covid the Christmas Lights Switch on cannot take place in the usual way so people will be able to watch the switching on the lights from the comfort of their own home. Filming with Cllr Jurd and Father Christmas is taking place. The video will then be released to the public on the 26 November and the lights will go on that evening. In addition, there will be a range of competitions on social media starting on 30 November leading up to Christmas. Anyone still wanting to judge a completion can let Sarah know.

There was a large fallen tree on Sunday evening which has damaged a residents property, and this was subsequently cleared by the Monday afternoon by HETC and contractors.

Cllr Helen Corben attended HMS Cricket to represent Hedge End Town Council to lay a wreath.

7. Resolved Items for NOTING Only:

- a) Highways & Planning Committee 7 October 2020 and 21 October 2020 (Minute H379, H380 and H385)
 - That the Minutes of the meeting of the 7 October and 21 October be received.
- b) Policy & Resources Committee 3 November2020 (Minute P987, P988, P989 and P991)
 - That the Minutes of the meeting of the 3 November 2020 be received.
- c) Recreation & Amenities Committee 11 November 2020
 (Minute R229, R230, R231, R232 and R233)
 That the Minutes of the meeting of the 11 November 2020 be received.

Cllr Kyrle left the meeting.

8. Borough and County Reports

Cllr Garton was honoured as Deputy Mayor of Eastleigh Borough Council to lay a wreath on Remembrance Sunday at Hedge End Memorial. Armistice was also well represented with Cllrs, members of the public and town council staff observing the two-minute silence.

The last HEWEB meeting considered two planning applications, land to south of Maddoxford Lane and West of Westfield, Boorley Green, where the officer recommendation was to refuse which was agreed. 33 Cranbourne Park the officer recommendation was to permit. The application came to the LAC as one of the HEWEB members is a relative of the applicant.

The Committee agreed to award £7,039.18 to HETC for vehicular access to the St Johns recreation ground.

Wildern Pool was handed back. The first Wildern Management Committee was held in October, however all community activities have ceased for the time being.

Applications for community grants are being invited now. The grants panel will also review any Covid related applications outside of the time period.

The Ageas Bowl partnership meeting has been cancelled this year.

Eastleigh lights were switched on and are quite splendid.

The next HEWEB LAC will be 25 January 2021.

Cllr Welsh asked if any reports had been made about accidents on the Maypole Roundabout. Cllr Garton noted that the only reports available were on Facebook which presented conflicting information. Cllr Craig asked County if they could put some signs up to say there is a new layout.

Cllr Corben had nothing to add to Cllr Garton's full report.

Cllr Pretty updated the committee on the support available to business under the local scheme with applications on the website. There is an increasing number of people looking to set up their own business and the borough are supporting this with a free online business school training.

Cllr House noted the sheer number of cases that had come forward. Some of this has been the increase in flooding issues and the impact of leaves and flooding together which is causing issues. The Borough Council responded to the Free School Meals issue during half term providing £84k to food banks for this.

There is a session tomorrow night for devolution which the Chair and Clerk will attend. Government are intending to publish a white paper on unitary authorities. There is an opportunity to think about the kind of things that the Town Council could take on.

Cllr House noted that the food waste collection was a separate vehicle which is not being collected at the same time as your normal bins. If bins are not collected by mid-afternoon, then this needs reporting as a missed collection, ensuring that reported bins are left out.

Cllr John Jupe thanked Keith for resolving the street lighting issues on Turnpike Way.

Cllr Craig had nothing to add to the previous reports.

There being no further business the Chair closed the meeting at 8.20pm.	