

**HEDGE END TOWN COUNCIL - MINUTES OF A FULL COUNCIL
MEETING HELD 19 JULY 2023**

Cllrs. Present: Cllr Maggie Allingham, Cllr Paul Carnell, Cllr Helen Corben, Cllr Ian Corben, Cllr Cynthia Garton, Cllr Leigh Hadaway, Cllr Keith House, Cllr John Jupe, Cllr Rupert Kyrle, Cllr Jim Mitchell, Cllr Ron Nichols, Cllr Derek Pretty, Cllr John Shepherd (Chair), Cllr Jane Welsh

In attendance: Nigel Paterson – KCC, 2 members of public, PCSO Tracey Chilcott and Sgt Tom Hannam.

1. **Apologies:** Cllr Tonia Craig, Cllr Lucy Jurd, Cllr Cliff Morris

2. **Public Questions not on the Agenda**

A member of the public raised a concern about the alleyway between Lloyds Bank and Solent Locksmiths constantly being littered and graffiti and a request was made to install a bin and signage. The resident was informed that this is private land and managed by a management company. The resident was going to approach the management company.

Nigel Paterson notified the meeting that some of the elderly groups at Kings Community Church are coming to an end as it's been decided that KCC are unable to manage the safeguarding aspects of working with elderly people by volunteers.

Cllr Ian Corben asked for it to be recorded of the hard work that has gone over a period and the good work that volunteers have done.

3. **Declarations of Interest**

None received.

4. **To Receive a Police Report**

PCSO Tracey Chilcott was in attendance having previously circulated the statistics. PCSO Chilcott has a focus on ASB in the area. PCSO Chilcott raised the speeding issues with the new Chief Inspector Matt Paling and there will be some speed sessions this year although dates are not known at this time. PCSO Chilcott highlighted that she has not been able to do any beat surgeries yet as she had been on restricted duties.

Cllr Cynthia Garton noted that other areas had beat surgeries, but Hedge End seems to have missed out. PCSO Chilcott confirmed that she will look at the Market again and also potentially the Co-Op and St Luke's. Cllr Derek Pretty asked for a beat surgery to be considered at the Salvation Army in Whites Way.

Sgt Tom Hannam was keen to see more surgeries, however with only two PCSO's to cover the whole area it is difficult to manage the expectation.

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Cllr Paul Carnell noted that Speedwatch are doing sessions in the area.

Cllr Helen Corben noted that the Town Council used to fund a PCSO and wondered if this could be a possibility again. Cllr Keith House gave some context to this in that it was a funding model that the police were not keen to continue.

Cllr Cynthia Garton gave an overview of the meeting that took place with Community Speedwatch which was positive, and the resulting information is really useful.

Cllr Cynthia Garton asked how many new officers there are. Sgt Hannam confirmed he has 5 officers in total and 3 of them has less than 2 years and 1 has got 3 years service and the last one has 20 years service. There is expectation to receive another PCSO in the next few months.

5. **To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on Wednesday 21 June 2023.**

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

6. **Chair's Remarks**

Cllr John Shepherd reported that he attended the Carnival which was a fantastic event.

7. **Resolved Items for NOTING Only:**

- (a) Policy & Resources Committee – 4 July 2023
(Minutes P1218, P1221 and P1222)

That the Minutes of the meeting of the 4 July be received.

- (b) Highways & Planning Committee – 7 June 2023 and 21 June 2023
(Minute H627, H628 and H632)

That the Minutes of the meeting of the 7 June and 21 June be received.

- (c) Recreation & Amenities Committee – 12 July 2023
(Minutes R421i, ii, R422 and R423i, ii, iii)

That the Minutes of the meeting of the 12 July be received.

8. **Borough and County Reports**

Cllr Cynthia Garton reported that there hasn't been a HEWEB since the last Full Council. There was a reorganisation of the Local Area Management Team and Kitty our previous area manager has been promoted to the Lead LAM and Ross McLean will now be the LAM for HEWEB and BHH.

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The next HEWEB is on 25 September.

Cllr Keith House provided some general updates that work on Itchen Valley Country Park is in progress. One Horton Heath work is underway on the road link to Burnetts Lane, also this will contribute to the long-term vision of having a cycle route from Grange Park to Eastleigh. Work has started on over 200 boreholes for the ground source heat pumps. The Eastleigh Local Plan 2016-2036 revisions process has started. There was a general discussion about the length of time from a planning decision until work begins which is 3 years.

Cllr Rupert Kyrle reported on the PodBack initiative for replying of coffee machine pods. Since March they have collected 6.4 tonnes of pods for recycling in the UK. Woodhouse Lane is being closed for resurfacing from Pavilion Road to the A334 Roundabout for 4 days.

The County Council is holding a consultation on customer service on Highways. It was suggested that this could be advertised for residents.
<https://www.hants.gov.uk/transport/nht-surveys>

Cllr Helen Corben asked if the land clearance near Pinkmead is for the Bypass. Cllr Kyrle confirmed it was although some land on the other side is being used for housing.

Cllr Ron Nichols asked about internet connectivity as he hasn't been able to get a response as to when an upgrade will happen. Cllr Kyrle advised he takes it up with the internet provider.

Cllr Cynthia Garton asked the County Councillor about the 20 mph outside Hilliers as it's a wide long road and it's unlikely to be adhered to. Cllr Kyrle has raised it with County for assessment as it is difficult for pedestrians to cross.

There being no further business the Chair closed the meeting at 20:28pm.