

HURN PARISH COUNCIL

The Meeting of Hurn Parish Council was held on Monday, 13th January 2025 at Hurn Bridge Sports Club at 7.30 pm.

Present:

Cllr Mrs M Phipps, Chairman

Cllr I Evans, Vice Chairman

Cllr H Greenman

Cllr Mrs J Jones

Cllr Mrs H Balkaya Shore

Mrs N Shaw, Clerk

2 Residents

1/25 CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2/25 APOLOGIES

Cllr M Cranham.

3/25 SIGNING OF THE MINUTES

Cllr I Evans proposed that the minutes of the meeting held on 9th December 2024 were a true record, this was seconded by Cllr Mrs H Balkaya Shore and it was **resolved** that they be signed by the Chairman.

4/25 CODE OF CONDUCT OF LOCAL AUTHORITY MEMBERS

The Chairman reminded members of the need to declare their interests at all meetings where matters being discussed, or to be discussed, affected their interests.

5/25 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The Residents asked about the planned extension of Hurn Court Farm quarry. Cllr Mrs M Phipps explained the proposal was for phased extraction of minerals from the events field etc on the Airport side of Parley Lane. She showed them the maps. The Residents were encouraged to attend the Information evenings by New Milton Sand and Ballast (NMSB) regarding the planned extension, to be held on the 28th and 29th of January 3 to 7pm in Hurn Bridge Sports Club. They would be able to ask about the plans and raise any concerns directly with NMSB.

6/25 GENERAL PARISH MATTERS.

a) Open Spaces: Town Common/Sopley Common/Ramsdown, Hurn Forest:
Nothing to report. **Leave on Agenda for February meeting.**

b) Gravel Extraction

Cllr Mrs M Phipps updated Cllrs. (NMSB) are looking to extend extraction into the events field within the "Hurn Gap" on the Airport side of Parley Lane. They will be holding an information event for Residents in Hurn Bridge Sports Club on the 28th and 29th of January. A Parish Newsletter will be distributed to notify Residents. **Leave on Agenda for February meeting.**

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c) Roads

Cllr H Greenman reported that he has received no more information from BCP Rights of Way to clarify the situation regarding the diversion of Right of Way E62/2 along the River Stour. He will chase it up.

Cllr Mrs M Phipps reported that that a Resident has complained about the Residents only parking signs in Moors Close. She has spoken to BCP Council Highways department. They have no objection to refurbishing the current signs and installing 2 extra at a ballpark cost of £400. The Airport have indicated they would cover this cost.

Cllr I Evans reported that the debris from the vegetation clearance on the Avon Causeway has been cleared. **Leave on Agenda for February meeting.**

d) Playground

Nothing to report. **Leave on Agenda for February meeting.**

c) Neighbourhood Plan

Cllr Mrs M Phipps updated Cllrs. The formal Plan was approved for adoption at the Full BCP Council meeting on the 10th of December. **Remove from the Agenda.**

d) Hurn Bridge Sports Club Lease

The Club's solicitor responded to BCP Council before Christmas.

Cllr Mrs H Balkaya Shore reported that Phil Old had asked about Ward funding for a defibrillator. Cllr Mrs M Phipps agreed to send him the forms for him to apply for the funds. **Leave on Agenda for February meeting.**

e) DAPTC

The DAPTC is encouraging Parish Councils to use .gov.uk domain names. The Clerk has obtained a quote from Vision ICT Ltd to switch to a .gov.uk domain name. A quote of £125 for the initial two years has been obtained. A grant of £100 has been agreed towards this cost. The switch over will now go ahead. **Leave on Agenda for February meeting.**

f) Community Governance Review

The Chair completed the BCP Council Governance review. It was agreed the Clerk would submit the form. **Leave on Agenda for February meeting.**

g) Devolution

Cllr Mrs M Phipps updated Cllrs. BCP Council does not have a large enough population to become a strategic authority by itself. It will need to join with other neighbouring authorities. This could either be the Heart of Wessex or Hampshire, which will include Hampshire, Southampton, Portsmouth and the Isle of Wight Councils. Cllrs did not think either option was a good idea but had a preference for the Heart of Wessex if a decision had to be made. BCP Council is holding an emergency meeting on the 15th January to decide which option to support. **Leave on Agenda for February meeting.**

h) MHCLG Consultation on Standards and Conduct

Cllrs agreed not to respond to this consultation. **Remove from the Agenda.**

7/25 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

8/25 CORRESPONDENCE

The list of correspondence was presented.

9/25 COMMITTEE REPORTS

Cllr I Evans commented on the lack of a Single point of contact meeting. Cllr Mrs M Phipps had been invited to a meeting on the 5th of January, Cllr I Evans had not received the notification. Cllr Mrs M Phipps agreed to forward any future invitations to attend these meetings to Cllr I Evans.

10/25 FINANCE

a) **Cheques Out:**

The following items of expenditure were agreed, Cllr Mrs H Balkaya Shore proposed, Seconded by Cllr H Greenman:

- Cheque No 1074: £75.00: to Mrs M Phipps for Chairman's allowance for October, November and December 2024).
- Cheque No 10745: £34.50: to Mrs M Phipps reimbursement for Newsletter photocopying.

Online payment:

- £505.30: to Mrs N Shaw for Clerk's duties and expenses during December 2024: [32.0 hours @ £15.58/hour = £498.56] + £6.74 expenses, printer ink and refill pad).

Village Account:

- Cheque No 82: £467.40: to Christchurch Football Club for refreshment for the Christmas party.

b) **Money In:**

- £256.95 from the Village fund towards completion of the Neighbourhood plan.
- £500 from Bournemouth Airport towards the Christmas event.

c) **General:**

The Biodiversity account has been closed and the funds transfer to the Treasurers account where it will be ring fenced.

The 3rd quarter finances were reviewed. More interest than predicted had been received. The grant of £500 from Bournemouth Airport covered the cost of the lights and the band.

Cllrs Mrs M Phipps, H Greenman, I Evans and Mrs H Balkaya Shore were given dispensations to discuss and agree the precept. The Precept requirements for 2025/2026 were discussed. The tax base has increase from 264 to 271.8. Cllr I Evans proposed a precept of £9,483.82 for 2025/26, a 4% increase. Cllr H Greenman seconded this, and it was agreed unanimously.

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11/25 SUPPLEMENTARY

None.

12/25 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 10th February 2025.

13/25 PLANNING

Planning application 8/24/0180/FUL and 8/24/0181/ADV at Theme Park Merritown Lane have been refused.

Enforcement action has commenced on Land North of 3 Blackwater.

Planning Application No: 8/24/0828/CONDR
Location: Eco Composting Ltd Chapel Lane, Christchurch Dorset BH23 6BG
Proposal: Variation of Condition 2 of Planning Application 8/21/0207/FUL – proposed amendments to the layout of the consented AD Facility within the site, including the configuration and height of the digestate tanks and buildings. We would propose that Condition No. 2 is varied to include reference to the updated plans, as listed in the Covering Letter and Planning Statement.

Cllrs resolved to **ask for an extension of time** to respond to this application to allow for more information to be provided.

The meeting closed at 8.54 pm.

Signed: Date: