

HAMBLE-LE-RICE PARISH COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
MONDAY 22nd FEBRUARY 2016 AT THE ROY UNDERDOWN PAVILION,
COLLEGE PLAYING FIELDS, BARON ROAD, HAMBLE-LE-RICE AT 7.30 PM**

Present

Cllr I Underdown – Chairman
Cllr S Hand – Vice Chairman
Cllr M Atkinson
Cllr M Cross
Cllr M Davies
Cllr A Fish
Cllr C Fish
Cllr E Lear
Cllr W Pepper

In Attendance

Brendan Gibbs – Clerk to the Council
Jacqueline Panakis – Minutes Secretary
Steve Emery – Hamble Lifeboat – Member of the Public
Nick Rose – Hamble Lifeboat Trustee – Member of the Public
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To Receive Apologies for Absence

69/22/16 Apologies had been received from Cllr S Cohen, Cllr S Hamel and Cllr M Venables.

Declaration of Interest

70/22/16 Cllr Lear declared an interest in Planning. Cllr Angela Fish declared an interest in the Foreshore. Cllr Underdown declared dispensations relating to the Foreshore and Dinghy Park. Cllr Pepper declared an interest in the Hamble Club Football Club. Cllr Clive Fish declared an interest in the Foreshore and Dinghy Park. Cllr Hand declared a dispensation relating to the Foreshore and membership of the Royal Southern Yacht Club.

To Accept the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 8th February 2016

71/22/16 Cllr Pepper proposed, Cllr Cross seconded and all agreed and IT WAS RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 8th February was a correct record and was then signed by the Chairman.

Public Session

52/21/15 Hamble Lifeboat Station Construction Project

Mr Emery reported that the present difficulty with the Station itself was that the thermal calculations did not reach the standard required in the building regulations. The Trustees had been in contact with the Contractors regarding this. There was a proposal to replace all the external doors with those of a different specification to rectify the situation. Financially the building fund is in credit, however, the full

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amount of the building's problems is not yet known. The contractor has already been paid. The Trustees have requested a complete breakdown of expenditure and costs to date from the Contractors. An independent surveyor has been engaged by the Trustees to examine the structure of the building, and assess the toilets, and his report is due shortly. There are undoubtedly problems which need rectifying to complete the building and if the Contractor is unable to do these, the Trustees will have to engage another contractor to do this.

Mr Rose, Trustee from Hamble Lifeboat Station said he had stepped up to undertake the responsibilities of Chairman of the Trustees due to the fact that their current Chairman was in hospital and wouldn't be fit to undertake his duties for the foreseeable future. There were a lot of concerns about the current state of the Lifeboat Station and taking the project forward to completion was a priority. The surveyor's report would provide the blueprint as to what work was required to achieve completion and the Council would be kept informed. The Council asked if the Trustees were currently fund raising for the project. The Trustees had been successful in obtaining a grant from the Department of Transport for £25,000. This was to be spent on specific equipment for the crew's work. They were also in receipt of £800 per month from the Lifeboat Lotto and this financed repairs for the lifeboat and fuel.

The Council enquired about the equipment presently stored outside of the Station, which they would like removed before the Mayor's visit in 3 weeks. Once access to the building is granted, these items can be stored inside the Lifeboat Station; however, this was dependent on receiving the required building certificates. Cllr Fish asked when normal lifeboat services were anticipated to be re-instated. At present the crew provided a restricted call out service, however the Station needed to be back to full service level by Easter in order to provide the full service to the Coast Guard. They were looking towards a 24/7 paging service towards the end of the summer. Cllr Pepper commented that he hoped that there would be an official opening day to which all the individuals and organisations who had contributed to the project would be invited.

Cllr Underdown thanked Mr Emery and Mr Rose for the information they provided. *All members of the public left the meeting at 8.20 pm.*

Planning and Development Control

To consider any Planning Applications

72/22/16 *F/16/77870 22 Hardwicke Way, Hamble-Le-Rice, Southampton SO31 4LN. Two stores rear extension and alterations to roof to provide hip to gable enlargement to provide habitable accommodation.*

Cllr Hand proposed, and Cllr Cross seconded, a majority agreed and IT WAS RESOLVED to leave the decision with the Planning Officers. **CLERK**

73/22/16 *F/15/77635 Single storey extension to provide family and accessible changing facilities including removal of external staircase and alterations to car park access. Port Hamble Marina, Satchell Lane, Hamble-Le-Rice, Southampton SO31 4QD.*

Cllr Hand proposed, and Cllr Lear seconded, a majority agreed and IT WAS RESOLVED to leave the decision with the Planning Officers. **CLERK**

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To receive any Planning Decisions and Matters at Appeal

74/22/16 There were none to report.

The EBC Local Plan 2011-2036 Consultation

53/21/16 This had been completed and returned to Eastleigh Borough Council before their deadline for submissions. The Chairman thanked Cllrs Cohen, Lear and Hamel for their hard work in preparing this document. The response will be published on the Council's web site shortly.

Finance

75/22/16 To received Bank and Petty Cash reconciliations for January 2016. The Clerk said that the Petty Cash had been checked by Cllr Davies shortly before the end of the month. Cllr Atkinson proposed, and Cllr Hand seconded, all agreed and IT WAS RESOLVED that the reconciliation reports were accepted. The Clerk informed the Council that the bank statements had been re-instated to being received monthly. The bill from Southern Water, which the Clerk had queried with them, was agreed to be a processing error on their part and will be rectified.

76/22/16 To receive the January 2016 Salary Journal. The Clerk said that the amount showing was smaller than usual, owing to the post of Assistant Clerk being vacant for a month. Cllr Lear proposed, and Cllr Cross seconded, all agreed and IT WAS RESOLVED that the Salary Journal was accepted.

77/22/16 Budget and Charges 2016-17. The Clerk informed the Council that this information would be presented at the next full Council meeting.

Hamble Lifeboat Station Construction Project

52/21/15 Cllr Underdown reported that there had been 3 meetings during the previous week to discuss the Hamble Lifeboat Project. The first meeting involved representatives from the Harbour Board, Eastleigh Borough Council and the Parish Council to review the project and ensure that the public money invested provided value for money. The second meeting involved a viewing of the Lifeboat Station to assess the build. Several serious building problems were noted during the viewing, including gaps in the ceiling and around the window fittings. The final meeting was held in the Memorial Hall and involved representatives from Eastleigh Borough Council and the Parish Council only as the Harbour Master was unable to attend this meeting. All present were disappointed in the current situation: particular concern was expressed about public facilities which required work to bring them up to standard. It was decided that priorities should be identified and a process agreed on to deal with the problems in order that the project should be completed satisfactorily. Mr Emery had taken over responsibility for overseeing the project and had agreed to provide the Council with a monthly update on progress.

With regard to the Mayor's visit, this was an annual event when the ceremonial mayors of nearby local authorities were entertained. This involved a visit around the Borough to areas of interest - the Lifeboat Station was chosen as the Mayor's Fund had contributed towards it over the years. It is anticipated that the visit would last between 1.5 to 2 hrs. It was felt that it was discourteous that Eastleigh Borough Council's Mayor had not formally told the Parish Council about the visit and the Council asked that the Clerk write to the Chief Executive of EBC, copied to the Mayor's Office, about this. **CLERK**

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Hampshire and IOW Devolution

78/22/16 This was a central government initiative proposing that money collected from business rates be given in their entirety to the 15 local authorities in Hampshire. It was proposed that the fund would be overseen by an unelected Mayor and distribution of the monies would be the responsibility of the authorities concerned. Greater Manchester have been trialling this.

Reports from the Clerk

239/81/12 Hamble-le-Rice Parish Council Secure Storage. The Clerk reported that there had been difficulty in obtaining quotes. It had been agreed to go forward with planning works using one of the buildings the Parish have information on and to continue to seek more quotes.

205/61/13 Path from Well Lane to Marina Drive. No further information has been received consequently a reminder e-mail has been sent.

111/32/15 EBC Developer Contributions. No further information has been received. The Clerk was requested to send a reminder letter. **CLERK**

237/71/15 Public Art at the Hamble Foreshore. This has been deferred until spring 2016.

257/71/15 Hamble Footpath No 5. The Clerk had received an e-mail from Chris Mansfield. The marking of the footpath has been agreed and more permanent markers will be installed. Information regarding the actual ladder and brackets is still awaited. Once these are received the Council will be informed. A map/plan of the footpath will be attached to the gate for walkers.

330/91/15 The Well Lane Footpath Spur – deferred.

463/121/15 The Local Authority Property Fund – deferred.

35/12/16 Public Access and art at Oyster Quay – deferred.

464/121/15 Westfield Common Information Boards. Awaiting delivery and installation.

To Authorise the Clerk to Deal with Correspondence relating to Council Matters, including

From Hampshire County Council

79/22/16 Correspondence regarding the High Street Improvements. This was noted.

Other correspondence

80/22/16 Local Authorities Property Fund profile report December 2015. This was noted.

81/22/16 Three Rivers Railway Partnership Netley 150 – Saturday 5th March. This was noted.

Exempt Business

82/22/16 The Chairman proposed, all agreed and IT WAS RESOLVED that in view of the confidential nature of the business to be discussed the public and press be excluded.

The matters to be discussed were as follows:

The Hamble Club Football Club Lease.
Provision of a Trip Boat at the Hamble Foreshore.
Hamble Lifeboat Station Construction Project.
The Parish Council staff appraisal process.

The meeting Closed at 8.35 pm.

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