

COPYTHORNE PARISH COUNCIL (PLANNING)**Copythorne Parish Hall – 9 May 2006****(7.00 p.m. – 8.43 p.m.)**

PRESENT: Cllr G James (Chairman); Cllr Lady Kara Hawks, Cllr Mrs G Hollands, Cllr A Nisbet, Cllr J Samways and Cllr G Stenson

An apology for absence was received from Cllr R Wray

193. PLANNING MATTERS

(a) Current applications: Members agreed to comment as follows on current applications:

87812 West Wellow Service Station, Ower (Replacement shop building; refurbish toilet building; parking; associated works; covered compound. Object (4)

06/90040 Senior Service Station, Romsey Road, Cadnam (New vehicle workshop). Object (4)

(b) Decisions: Members noted details of recent planning decisions and new appeals, as shown in the paper tabled at the meeting (appendix 1 in the minute book).

(c) Listed buildings: A letter from the New Forest National Park Authority was accompanied by a schedule of listed buildings in Copythorne within the Park area.

194. PARISH AND NFDC WEBSITES

NFDC had added further information to the Parish website, albeit updates were required for certain pages. The site was now live and the Clerk would endeavour to install the updates. Quotations would also be sought with a view to finding an alternative web host.

NFDC had also requested permission to show Parish Councillors' details on its own site (minute 186(c)/4/06 refers). It was agreed, at this stage, to show members' names, road name (not full address) and ward on both the NFDC and parish sites.

195. NEW FOREST TRANSPORT FORUM

The next meeting of the Forum was scheduled for Tuesday 23 May 2006 at Lyndhurst. Agreed, Councillor Lady Kara Hawks to attend.

196. NEW FOREST COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP

A letter from the Partnership sought information on criminal damage to Parish Council property during the period April 2005 and March 2006. Agreed, nil return.

197. CADNAM RIVER

Members received a letter from the Environment Agency concerning the ongoing flooding issues. The letter advised that the Agency could only pursue further works (e.g. culvert and bypass) if the benefit to the community was greater than the cost. The cost appeared to be well above the benefit and financial contributions would therefore be needed. The Motorway engineers felt that use of the existing drainage ditch near the embankment was not a suitable solution. Consent was therefore required from Mr and Mrs Martin to construct a bypass culvert through their land.

Notwithstanding this, the Area Manager was willing to attend a site visit and it was agreed to request an early meeting, to include representatives of the highway authority.

198. LAND AT WINSOR ROAD, CADNAM (186(a)/4/06)

Members received a letter from HCC concerning the availability of the former Cadnam United Football Club site in Winsor Road. The site was not for sale but may be available on a leasehold basis. It was agreed that the Clerk would pass details to Martin Willett who had made the earlier enquiry.

199. FOREST VERGE, SOUTHAMPTON ROAD, CADNAM (178/4/06)

The occupant of Forest Verge had supplied copies of further correspondence with Enterprise Inns concerning his proposals for highway closure.

The Clerk reported that the pub owners and licensee had met on site to discuss the proposals. It appeared that neither was in favour but confirmation was awaited from Enterprise Inns.

200. PARISH SEATS (189/4/06)

The contract for re-painting of parish seats had now been cancelled as agreed at the last meeting. Councillor Nisbet agreed to carry out the work, including repair of the seat at Cadnam, and to reclaim the cost of materials from the Council.

201. NFDC LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK

The Chairman reported on his attendance at a meeting of Totton & Eling Town Council's Planning & Transportation Committee on 3 May to discuss the NFDC draft Employment Development Plan. In particular, the Plan referred to employment development potential in respect of 3.1 hectares of land north of Totton, including a site in Copythorne and another in Netley Marsh. Totton & Eling were opposed for various reasons, including the absence of any reference to additional infrastructure, doubts about the need for additional employment provision and environmental considerations.

202. FOOTPATH SURVEY

A letter from HCC Countryside Service invited participation in a footpaths survey on 18 June 2006. Parishes were invited to survey between one and three well-used paths to gather information about path users and usage patterns.

Members felt that most Copythorne paths were used by local residents and doubted the value of the survey. However, it was agreed that members should endeavour to walk the paths to check their condition.

CHAIRMAN _____ **DATE** _____