

COPYTHORNE PARISH COUNCIL
Copythorne Parish Hall – 23 October 2007
(7.00 p.m. – 8.16 p.m.)

PRESENT: Cllr I Mansell, Cllr M Moriarty, Cllr J Samways and Cllr G Stenson

District Councillor H Forse	- by invitation
District Councillor L Puttock	- by invitation

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs R Good, Lady Kara Hawks and G James

87. CHAIRMAN

In the absence of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman, Cllr J Samways was elected as Chairman for the meeting.

88. MINUTES

The minutes of the meetings held on 25 September and 9 October 2007 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

89. MATTERS ARISING

Barrow Hill Road: Japanese Knotweed not yet cleared. Agreed, pursue with Surveyor

90. DISTRICT COUNCIL MATTERS

The following reports were received:

Councillor Forse: the provision of a 'silent surface' on the parish section of the M27 was due to be carried out in five years' time rather than four years as previously thought

Councillor Puttock: The statistics for the Cadnam Speed Indicator Device deployment in May/June showed an 85% percentile speed of 46 mph. It was important to pursue this further with a view to achieving enforcement action. Statistics to be circulated to all members.

91. CORRESPONDENCE

Members noted the following:

- (a) September crime figures from PC Bemand
- (b) A consultation paper from Post Office Ltd on Post Offices closures, proposing retention of the Bartley and Cadnam branches but closure of branches at Bramshaw and Minstead
- (c) Letters of thanks for Council grants from Copythorne Pre-School Playgroup, St Mary's Church, New Forest CAB and Hampshire Isle of Wight Victim Support
- (d) A letter from New Forest DC concerning an application to vary The Haywain licence (provision of a carvery deck on the ground floor)
- (e) Other correspondence as shown in the list accompanying the agenda

92. MATTERS PENDING

Members reviewed the outstanding items list and agreed action as follows:

471 (*Potholes, Newbridge cattle grid*): Some improvement in situation. Councillor Stenson to monitor

501 (*Maintenance of parish paths*): Pursue further with County Councillors

93. FINANCE MATTERS

(a) *Current balances:* Deposit A/c £9,641.41 Current A/c £710.38

(b) *Payments:* The following expenditure was approved:

Cheque

626	Copythorne Parish Hall Management Committee (Meeting accommodation – October to December)	£51.00
627	The Information Commissioner (Data Protection Act fee renewal)	£35.00
628	M Derrick (Clerk's salary and expenses – October)	£412.10

(c) *Audit of 2006/07 accounts:* The Audit Commission had approved the Council's 2006/07 accounts, with no recommendations for further action.

(d) *Finance Committee:* Date for the Finance Committee budget meeting to be agreed later.

94. MEMBERS' REPORTS

Councillor Stenson: The NFNPA were investigating the caravans adjacent to Robins Brook Farm, Newbridge Road.

A new stable had also appeared at Lyndhurst Lodge. Agreed, pursue with Enforcement.

Councillor Moriarty: Report on attendance at the Inaugural Workshop on 12 October on 'New Forest, New Chapter – A Vision for the New Forest National Park'. Had agreed to participate in further working groups and had stressed the need for a policy regarding demolition of properties in the New Forest.

Report on attendance at the National Park Planning Committee meeting on 16 October. The decisions on two applications were contrary to the Parish Council's view – 91831 (2 Enos Cottages, Chinham Road, Bartley) and 91922 (Sylvana, White Hart Lane, Cadnam). Application 91735 (Nuthooks House, Old Romsey Road, Cadnam) had been withdrawn.

Councillor Mrs Mansell: Invitation from Winsor Neighbourhood Watch to attend its AGM on 29 November. Chairman to attend?

Councillor Samways: A-board still displayed outside the Empress of Blandings. Matter of possible highway encroachment also still outstanding. Agreed, pursue with Surveyor.

95. PLANNING MATTERS

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

07/92121 Forest Edge Rest Home, Southampton Road, Cadnam (Two storey side extension; single storey rear extension). Support (3), provided there is no adverse effect on neighbours

07/92141 The Bungalow, Whitemoor Lane, Winsor (Retention of outbuilding). (5)

(b) *Decisions:* Members noted decisions as shown in the list tabled at the meeting.

CHAIRMAN _____ **DATE** _____

The following matters were discussed during the public participation period:

Land adjacent to Copperfield, Pollards Moor Road: Re-arranged hearing had been held earlier that day. However, the Inspector had decided he was unable to deal with all the issues raised and consequently a further hearing would be needed. The Parish Council had not been notified of the hearing date and this would be pursued with the NFNPA. Noted also that the second planning application for the site (92103) had been refused by the NFNPA on 22 October.

Highway defect, Netley Marsh: A stone chipping outside the Church in Netley Marsh had caused damage to a resident's car. Councillor Puttock would pursue further.

Yew Lee, Southampton Road, Cadnam: A resident commented that the matter of contaminated land could also be an issue in future for residents living near the site adjoining Copperfield.

Land rear of Uncle Tom's Cabin (planning application 07/92077): The applicant had now withdrawn this application and was in discussions with the NFNPA.