

## COPYTHORNE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING – TUESDAY JULY 13<sup>TH</sup> 2021

### Item 18 - Correspondence & Clerks Report

- 1. Councillor Vacancy** – The “Notice of Vacancy to be filled by Co-Option” for the councillor vacancy in Copythorne North Ward was placed on all of our noticeboards and website on June 11th. It was also added to our Facebook page the same day. The closing date for applications is August 23<sup>rd</sup> 2021 and any eligible candidates will be considered at the Council meeting on September 14<sup>th</sup> 2021. As at July 6<sup>th</sup> 2021 I have received two enquiries.
- 2. New Inn Road, Bartley** – New Inn Road was last inspected by HCC Highways on 08/02/21 with no safety defects recorded. E-mail have been sent to HCC Highways on June 1<sup>st</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> 2021 chasing an update on the outcome of the latest scheduled inspection of New Inn Road which was due to take place during May 2021. The following response was received on July 2<sup>nd</sup> 2021:- *“the road has been inspected again and although some very minor defects were noted, none constitute Safety Defects. Therefore, at this time, no further maintenance is programmed.”* Quarterly updates will continue to be sought.
- 3. New Noticeboards** – The two new recycled plastic noticeboard have been installed. The first was in Newbridge Village on June 11<sup>th</sup> and the second in the Winsor Lane layby (opposite Pound Lane) is due to be installed shortly.
- 4. A336 (Southampton Road through Cadnam & Bartley and Ringwood Road through Netley Marsh) – Proposal to HCC Highways for a 7.5 tonne Weight Limit Council Insurance Renewal** – This proposal, which was endorsed at the April 13<sup>th</sup> 2021 Council meeting, was submitted to Hampshire County Council by County Cllr. Neville Penman in early May 2021. On June 23<sup>rd</sup> 2021 I was advised by Mrs Lisa Ladd, the Netley Marsh resident who prepared the proposal, that HCC have confirmed that they are willing to consider it and will provide a further update in due course. Since then, HCC have advised that they will undertake traffic monitoring surveys in the autumn.
- 5. Advisory Committees** – The following meetings have taken place since the last Council meeting:-

Flooding AC	June 24 <sup>th</sup> 2021
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Agenda, meeting notes & papers have been added to the Advisory Committees page of our website

I am aware of the following meetings that have been scheduled for the next few months. All are expected to be “virtual meetings” via Zoom:-

Media & Publicity AC & Personnel & Governance AC	July 23 <sup>rd</sup> 2021
Finance AC & Five Year Plan AC	Sept 3 <sup>rd</sup> 2021
Flooding AC	Sept 17 <sup>th</sup> 2021

The agendas and Zoom details for all of these meetings will be made available to the public via the Council’s website.
- 6. Pavement and road surface issues – Pollards Moor Road** – The road surface repairs at the northern end were undertaken at the end of April 2021. HCC have confirmed in an e-mail received on June 28<sup>th</sup> 2021 that the promised footway width reinstatement work is expected to take place in the next few weeks.
- 7. Matters reported to HCC/NFDC** - Attached (as an Appendix) is a list of matters reported by the Clerk to HCC. Also included are matters reported by councillors or residents who have then supplied the reference number to me.

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- 8. Affordable Housing Update** - As detailed in my e-mail sent to all members on May 4th 2021 following a discussions at the Council's April 13<sup>th</sup> 2021 meeting regarding the above topic, I am now in contact with English Rural Housing Association ("ERHA") on a monthly basis to seek updates on their activities within the Parish.

I e-mailed them on June 30<sup>th</sup> 2021 to ask if they had an update to share with the Parish Council and received the following response on July 5<sup>th</sup> 2021:-

***"As part of our ongoing site investigations I am pleased to report that Hampshire CC highways have now agreed on an access point from New Inn Road to the land rear of The Haywain public house which has allowed our architects to prepare a layout as part of our pre-app submission to NFNPA. We trust this will allow NFNPA to offer advice that will be helpful in English Rural moving forward in preparing drawings that may form part of a planning application. We hope to have more positive news before your next meeting which I believe is in September."***

In response to a follow up question to EHRA about the location of the potential access point that HCC has agreed to along the New Inn Road site boundary I received the following reply:-

***"As you will appreciate it is pointless passing on such information until we have positive feedback from NFNPA (to the pre-app submission)"***.

**David Rigby, Parish Clerk  
July 6<sup>th</sup> 2021**

## APPENDIX – Point 7 – Items reported to HCC/NFDC

### ISSUES REPORTED TO HCC or NFDC FAULT REPORTING WEBPAGE - OPEN ENQUIRIES - (updated 06/07/21)

DATE REPORTED	REF. NUMBER	BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF ISSUE RAISED	REPORTED BY	FIRST CHECK DUE	LAST CHECKED	LATEST COMMENTS
09/02/2020	21481011	New Inn/Oakfield Road, ditch issue	John Goodwin	16/02/2020	06/07/2021	17/6 Works passed to contractor
11/04/2020	7061319	Query condition of New Inn Rd (direct to Highways)	David Rigby	27/04/2020	06/07/2021	2/7 – May inspection reports no work req'd.
06/10/2020	21520848	Blocked drain under Southampton Rd (The Parade)	Graham Chillcott	13/10/2020	06/07/2021	28/6 – Work passed to contractor
22/10/2020	21523620	Blocked ditch near The parade, Southampton Road	Graham Chillcott	29/10/2020	06/07/2021	See 21520848 above (connected reports)
28/10/2020	24207974	Junction markings, Bartley Crossroads	David Rigby	04/11/2020	06/07/2021	6/6 – Works underway in stages
03/11/2020	21525785	Drain blocked near The Wilderness, Winsor Rd	David Rigby	10/11/2020	06/07/2021	9/6 – New kerb stone, awaiting heavy rain to check issue solved
16/03/2021	CS2052567	Missing bin at Splitwind Pond	David Rigby (1)	23/03/2021	06/07/2021	21/6 Diane Andrews discussing replacement with NFDC Streetscene
16/03/2021	21548975	Broken Signpost at Bartley Crossroads	David Rigby (1)	23/03/2021	06/07/2021	22/3 - Work passed to contractor
16/03/2021	21548979	Leaning road side, Shepherds Road	David Rigby (1)	23/03/2021	06/07/2021	22/3 - Work passed to contractor
17/05/2021	21558956	Old Romsey Road / Southampton Rd - Flooding	David Rigby	24/05/2021	06/07/2021	19/5 - Work passed to contractor
20/05/2021	CS2074787	Missing bin at The Parade	David Rigby (2)	27/05/2021	06/07/2021	21/6 - Diane Andrews discussing replacement with NFDC Streetscene
23/06/2021	21566403	Hedge Issue at Newbridge crossroads	Graham Chillcott	30/06/2021	06/07/2021	30/6 – No defect found

#### **Key**

Number only = HCC

CS and Number = NFDC

(1) = Reported on behalf of Cllr. Goodwin

(2) = Reported on behalf of Cllr. Chillcott