

Unconfirmed minutes – to be confirmed at the next meeting of the North Horsham County Local Committee

North Horsham County Local Committee

Monday 14 December 2015 – At a meeting of the Committee held at 7.00 p.m. at County Hall North, Horsham.

Present: Mr Catchpole (Holbrook), Dr Dennis (Horsham Hurst), Mrs Jupp (Billingshurst), Mrs Kitchen (Warnham and Rusper), Mrs Millson (Horsham Riverside), Mr Sheldon (Tanbridge and Broadbridge Heath) and Mr Watson OBE (Chairman and Southwater and Nuthurst).

Apologies: Mr Rae (Roffey).

Welcome and Introductions

52. The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked Members and Officers to introduce themselves.

Declarations of Interest

53. In accordance with the register of member interests, the following personal interests were declared:

- Mr Catchpole as a friend of a Trustee of Age UK Horsham in relation to Community Initiative Fund application 772/NH
- Mrs Millson as a friend of a Trustee of Age UK Horsham in relation to Community Initiative Fund application 772/NH
- Mr Sheldon as a friend of a Trustee of Age UK Horsham in relation to Community Initiative Fund application 772/NH

Minutes

54. Resolved – that the minutes of the North Horsham County Local Committee meeting held on 21 September 2015 be approved as a correct record and that they be signed off by the Chairman.

Urgent Matters

55. There were no urgent matters.

Progress Statement

56. Members noted the statement on matters arising from the previous meeting (copy appended to the signed minutes).

Community Policing Update

57. Members noted the Community Policing Update (copy appended to the signed minutes).

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Talk With Us

58. The Chairman invited questions from members of the public and questions were asked to which responses were given, including those set out below:

- A representative from **Warnham Parish Council** sought the Committee's approval for the introduction of additional traffic calming measures to support the exist 20mph speed limit on Friday Street, explaining that there would be no cost to the County Council as it would be funded from local s106/CIL resources. *The local Member (Warnham and Rusper) expressed her support for the scheme. The Members for: Tanbridge and Broadbridge Heath; and Horsham Hurst agreed that Friday Street required attention but cautioned that it needed to be viewed in the context of all outstanding work in the Horsham area and the resources available to Highways Team to progress these. The Committee gave agreement in principle to the proposal by Warnham Parish Council provided the scheme meets the necessary criteria of the new Infrastructure Work Priorities scoring system and is sufficiently "shovel ready" that it does not have any officer capacity and resource implications.*
- A representative from the **West Sussex Cycle Forum** expressed their disappointment that more effort had not been put into a "lessoned learned exercise" arising from the Local Sustainable Transport Fund (LSTF) process. It was also reported that the cycle pathway on Parsonage Road was only 70cm wide when it should be 1.5m. The Forum called on the Committee to actively lobby for cyclists interests to be incorporate in the County Council's Road Traffic Strategy proposals. *The Committee undertook to make the Forums points known to the County Council's Cycling and Walking Task and Finish Group.*

Categorising Langhurstwood Road as a 30mph Zone

59. The Chairman explained that the Langhurstwood Road Residents Group had asked for the Langhurstwood Road to be classified as a 30mph zone and the following points were noted:

- All municipal waste from West Sussex County Council was treated at the Brickworks site on Langhurstwood Road;
- Until a few months ago Biffa would pick up litter falling out of the vehicles using the brickworks entrance and the A264 junction. However, this had stopped as it was considered unsafe to do so unless the traffic was slowed to 30mph.
- A speed limit on Langhurstwood Road was considered at the March 2014 Committee meeting and as a result it was placed on the holding list of Traffic Regulation Order requests for further investigation.

60. The Committee recognised that the lifestyles of Langhurstwood Road residents had been disrupted by the volume of vehicles using the Brickworks site

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and that they had been patiently waiting for a traffic calming solution to be introduced.

61. The Chairman explained that the County Council was reviewing how it would deal with Traffic Regulation Orders (TROs) and a new procedure would be introduced shortly, highlighting that:

- The last time County Local Committees considered and prioritised TROs was between January and March 2014. This resulted in 82 priority TROs being selected for progression countywide (known as Appendix A) and a holding list 90 TRO requests for further investigation (commonly known as Appendix B);
- Langhurstwood Road was one of the 90 "Appendix B" requests, and as such will be scored using the new process about to be introduced;
- County Local Committees will be able to select which TRO's they wish to prioritise from those that had passed the scoring and assessment process but the number of TRO's that can be prioritised is limited; and
- North Horsham County Local Committee will be limited to three priority TRO's.

62. The Committee agreed to consider the Langhurstwood Rd Residents request as part of the new TRO process, with a view to seeing if it can be "prioritised" and asked that the issue be added to the Progress Statement.

Community Initiative Funding

63. The Committee considered a report by the Director of Law, Assurance and Strategy (copy appended to the signed minutes), which detailed applications for Community Initiative Funding.

64. Resolved – that:

a) The following awards are made:

- 796/NH, Horsham Rural Towns Forum, £450 to support the Piazza Italia event in March 2016. The Committee noted that the applicant had also requested funding from Chanctonbury CLC and therefore made the award on condition that the event takes place regardless of whether funding is also received from the Chanctonbury CLC. The Committee requested that the "supported by North Horsham CLC logo" be incorporate into the event literature;
- 813/NH, Shipley Parish Council, £4,000.00 towards restoration of Coolham Fields Pavilion;
- 817/NH, Horsham Town Community Partnership, £1,521.00 towards leaflets advertising Horsham Riverside Walk and for some re-alignment of

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the path. The Committee requested that the “supported by North Horsham CLC logo” be incorporate into the leaflets;

- 838/NH Barns Green Community Publications, £2,000.00 towards the costs of researching and publishing a war local history. The Committee requested that the “supported by North Horsham CLC logo” be incorporate into the literature.
- b) The following application was declined:
- 772/NH, Age UK Horsham, £2,500, towards the cost of purchasing two tablets and various staff training costs. The Committee noted the good work being done by Age UK Horsham but felt unable to support the application in its current form, as £1800 was being sought for revenue costs and the project outcomes had not been sufficiently identified. The Committee requested that Officers contact Age UK Horsham to offer assistance in making a more appropriate application in time for the next Committee meeting.
- c) The following application was deferred:
- 797/NH, Southwater Community Events & Market, £2399.50 to purchase gazebos and a marquee. The Committee was concerned that the specification of the equipment was not sufficiently robust and hardwearing and asked the applicant to review their requirements and amend and resubmit their application accordingly.

Nominations for Governors Vacancies.

65. The Committee considered a report by the Strategic Commissioner for Learning (copy appended to the signed minutes).

66. The Chairman explained that the Committee can nominate any eligible person as a local authority governor, but it is for the governing body to decide whether their nominee has the skills to contribute to the effective governance and success of the school and meets any other eligibility criteria they have set.

67. Resolved – that the North Horsham County Local Committee nominate for re-appointment; Mr M Price to Heron Way Primary School for a four year term.

Date of Next Meeting

68. The Chairman confirmed that the next meeting of the Committee would be held on Monday 7 March 2016 in the Main Conference Room, County Hall North, Horsham.

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The meeting closed at 8.20 pm

Chairman