

## Meeting of Froxfield & Privett Parish Council held at Froxfield Village Hall on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2022 at 7.30pm

**Present:** Councillor David Rymer, Councillor Phoebe Hiscock, Councillor John Ellis, Councillor Teresa Brown and Councillor Robert Smith. In attendance: District Councillor Nick Drew and the Clerk.

**22.8.1 Apologies for Absence** were received from Cllr Oppenheimer, Cllr Doyle, Cllr Griffiths and Cllr Skinner

**22.8.2 Minutes of the Meeting of 9<sup>th</sup> December 2021** were approved and signed

**22.8.3 Comments from the Public** None present

**22.8.4 Declarations of Pecuniary Interests** None declared

### **22.8.5 Planning Applications**

- a) SDNP/21/05633/LDE Land and Farm Building South of Gosport Road Privett Lawful Development Certificate for an Existing use - 3 x 12.2 metre x 2.4 metre and 1 x 6.1 metre x 2.4 metre container on the site. It was resolved to OBJECT to the application on the following grounds:
  - i. Shipping containers cannot be considered to be permanent structures unless, by design, they cannot be moved by virtue of the fact that they may be sited on a permanent foundation and possibly be connected to services. The containers being subject of this application were placed on agricultural land then serviced by unauthorised hard standings. As the containers cannot be classed as permanent structures therefore the "four-year rule" cannot apply.
  - ii. The existence of the containers on the land has been the subject of significant local representation to the planning authority and Compliance Officers have engaged with the applicants concerning the unlawful development. The principle of development has therefore been challenged which negates compliance with the "four-year rule"
- b) SDNP/21/05829/HOUS Spott Cottage 66 Staple Ash Lane Two Storey Side Extension, internal alterations and new external porch. It was resolved to OBJECT to the proposals on the basis that the application is at odds with Policies SD5 and SD15 of the SDNP Local Plan.
- c) SDNP/21/06345/TCA The Old Vicarage Church Ln Privett A) Cherry Tree - crown reduction by approximately 3m B) Bay Tree - remove C) Fir Tree – remove. It was resolved to RAISE NO OBJECTION
- d) SDNP/21/05953/TCA 69 Venthams Farm Cottages Staple Ash Lane - Ash (T1) - fell, due to proximity to gas tank. The tree is growing within 2 metres of the tank and due to the tree being younger and less dominant to the other trees in this group of Ash, it is leaning heavily over the tank. One limb has failed recently. The tree is showing moderate signs of Ash dieback. It was resolved to RAISE NO OBJECTION to the proposed tree works

### **22.8.6 Financial Statements**

- a) The monthly Financial Statement was agreed
- b) The payments for the month were approved
- c) **Approve the Precept for 2022/23** The precept was agreed and the sum of £25,000 approved.

**22.8.6 To hear Councillors' thoughts on outstanding and future agenda items.** After some discussion it was agreed the following would be considered at future meetings.

- a) A Neighbourhood Watch Scheme
- b) Speed Restrictions
- c) How the Parish Council engages with the parishioners on the Neighbourhood Plan Decision
- d) Almshouses

### **22.8.7 Councillor Drew gave his report**

- a) With more resources he hoped that residents of East Hampshire would benefit from more of what they want.

- b) He was keen to warn residents that the bin collections will be earlier and not to put plastic bags in the recycling.
- c) He thanked the Salvation Army for the hampers distributed to the elderly this Christmas