

MINUTES
of the EXTRAORDINARY MEETING of
FROYLE PARISH COUNCIL
held in the Village Hall, Lower Froyle,
on Tuesday **6th October 2015 at 8.00 pm**

Present:

<i>Parish Council:</i> Mr. M. Cray Mr. I. Deans Mr. I. Macnabb Mr. J. Sexton Mrs. J. Wallis Mr MJ Wells Mr. N. Whines	<i>Clerk:</i> <i>Others:</i> District Councillor Glynis Watts 2 members of the public
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ITEM 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Miss J Gove

ITEM 2 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

29 15-16 It was **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 14th September 2015 be accepted as a true record.

ITEM 3 MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

6th July 2015

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7th July 2014

196 29.9.15 EHAPTC: TAG Farnborough airspace application with CAA, comments re objectives, departure routes, airspace redundancy, airspace disproportionate, consultation, safety for other aviators, Lasham's economic viability. Previously forwarded to councillors. Noted.

14th September 2015

8.1 Grass cutting request from resident: 198 29.9.15 HCC Economy, Transport & Environment: LF verge wild plant designation. Query re surveys forwarded by Clerk to Mr. and Mrs. Clark. Taking into account subsequent communication from Mrs. Clark, it was agreed that there was not sufficient justification to ask for designation as a wild plant area.

All items had either already been reported, dealt with, pending or were discussed below.

ITEM 4 PLANNING

4.1 Planning Applications

188 22.9.15 **20107/090 Manor House**, Treloar College, Upper Froyle, Fell five trees - T49 - Holly, T51 - Lawson Cypress, T52 - Lawson Cypress, T53 - Lawson Cypress and T54 - Lawson Cypress.

30 15-16 It was **RESOLVED** to **object** to this application.

202 1.10.15 **20107/089 Froyle House**, Ryebriidge Lane, Upper Froyle, Variation of condition 19 of 20107/077 - to allow the substitution of plans

31 15-16 It was **RESOLVED** to **object** to this application because it would result in a loss of privacy for neighbouring properties.

Mr. Deans and **Mr. Whines** to draft the response.

4.2 Results of Planning Applications

172 11.9.15 **22196/011 Lime Quarry**, Well Lane, Lower Froyle, Variation of conditions 6 and 19 of 22196/010 to allow substitution of the landscaping plan and to amend the nature conservation management plan to include pond design and management. PERMISSION. Noted.

ITEM 5 FROYLE PARK

The discussion of Froyle Park's use as a wedding venue covered the range of issues arising, recording of complaints from residents, management of the venue, options for action.

Mrs. Wallis explained that the representation made by the developers of their plans for Froyle Park at public consultations and to EHDC were deliberately misleading and that therefore the planning conditions made by EHDC were inadequate. EHDC had said that the problems then arising were not a planning issue, though Mrs. Wallis was of the opinion that they are.

Mrs. Wallis said that according to the heritage statement in the planning application, the house would contain flats, but this would not now be possible as there is too much noise. The venue had begun operating without the noise management plan being agreed.

Mr. Whines said that the planning application stated that it would be a country club hotel, but that could include hosting weddings, so it appears not to be a breach of use, while Mr. Sexton pointed out that the building had never been used as a hotel.

Mr. Whines wanted the building to be used as a hotel and to become part of the community. He queried the church's role in facilitating weddings.

Mrs. Wallis said that the recent amelioration of disturbance is voluntary. The venue managers are unable to control guests. It was pointed out that the behaviour of guests could damage the reputation of the Nicolas James Group.

Access and parking were discussed. The parking was considered to be inadequate and the access inconvenient with no suitable alternative.

Dist.Cllr. G. Watts agreed to ask EHDC re its relationship with the venue owner.

It was **agreed** that monthly meetings of the District Councillor with the manager of the wedding venue should continue.

Actions discussed:

Revocation of the premises licence. Dist.Cllr. Watts explained that video evidence would be needed, but a resident pointed out that that would be difficult for residents to do as it would be unpleasant. Mr. Whines said evidence could be presented to the licensing committee and then the matter could go to the magistrates court.

Formal complaint to EHDC and then to the local government ombudsman.

Judicial review: time limited, but there would be various stages at which the time would commence.

Venue management: there had been meetings with the owner and representatives of the venue and there had been less disturbance since, though this could be because there had been fewer weddings. The size and position of the service area still cause problems.

Communication with venue owner. Dist.Cllr. G. Watts had met the owner who had explained that he had a management plan for FPC and EHDC to consider. The owner had said that he had explained to EHDC that the site would be a 'function facility', which would include weddings.

Publicity

Apology from owners, compensation to local residents, explanation of choice of inadequate size and inappropriate position of service area, after FPC had pointed out its flaws.

Action group: residents', or parish council's?

Interim actions agreed:

1. Further letter of complaint to EHDC. **Mr. Deans, Mrs. Wallis, Mr. Whines** to draft it.
2. Letter to Mr. Roach, venue owner asking for apology, compensation, explanation of choice of servicing area.
3. Judicial review: to be commenced with copying of letter in 1. above to EHDC.
4. Premises licence. Invitation to EHDC environmental health officer to meet FPC.
5. Letter to Linden Homes reminding them that it is their legal duty to disclose to potential buyers any disputes or annoyances with neighbours.

193 25.9.15 Mrs. Bailey: Froyle Park, had been enclosed with the agenda

194 26.9.15 Mrs. Bulpitt: Froyle Park, had been enclosed with the agenda

197 29.9.15 Dist Cllr Glynis Watts: Environmental Disturbance Log Wedding Venue, had been enclosed with the agenda

200 30.9.15 EHDC Cllr. Angela Glass: Froyle Park, had been enclosed with the agenda

ITEM 6 REPORTS BY OFFICERS AND COUNCILLORS None

ITEM 7 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

A list of the correspondence received since the agenda for the meeting of 14.9.15 had been prepared is enclosed. Some matters do not require any action, and some items have already been circulated to councillors. Other matters, some of which the papers were at the meeting, were noted below:

170 11.9.15 Alton Police: Alton neighbourhood: survey what effects re Crime and Anti-Social Behaviour

176 14.9.15 HALC: Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2016 – Consultation

184 21.9.15 Public Sector Executive Online: Let housebuilders bypass full planning process – ministerial adviser

ITEM 8 MATTERS RAISED BY COUNCILLORS AND OFFICERS

8.1 Noticeboard Upper Froyle: Mr. Sexton reported on possible colour and proposed hardstanding.

8.2 Wildlife pond: Mr. Sexton reported on planning application proposal and position of proposed pond. It was **agreed** to await response from NJG re Froyle Park.

8.3 Noticeboard at Hadwick's Corner: Mr. Menzies to replace tiles with cork tiles.

ITEM 9 MATTERS RAISED BY RESIDENTS

Dist. Cllr. G. Watts: awaiting response re bottle bank.

ITEM 10 MATTERS FOR REPORTING IN VILLAGE MAGAZINE

Extracts of letters from residents describing problems with Froyle Park. Information on FPC's action and plans re Froyle Park. **Mr. Deans** and **Mr. Whines** to compile.

ITEM 11 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 26th October 2015.

The meeting closed at 10.00 pm.

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Chairman.....