

Wield Parish Council
Meeting – Thursday 18 November 2021
Wield village hall

Gordon Dunce (Ellisfield Parish Council) and Emma Bedford gave a short briefing to all present about the implications of the proposed application to make the North Hampshire Downs the subject of an AONB. 21 members of Wield community were present to hear the presentation.

Those present: Alwin Hutchinson, Robert Grande, Roland Richardson and Jean Frost (Clerk).

Apologies: Were received from: Nick Lailey and Ben Robinson

1. Minutes of last meeting

1.1 Were signed as a true and accurate record

2. Matters arising

2.1 Unused portion of grant from HCC has been repaid

3. Financial report

3.1 CIL money – The village hall needs a great amount of work. The Village Hall committee does have an income from rent from the flat above the hall. That is currently empty and will also need updating before it can be re-let.

CLlr Hutchinson proposed allocating £2,000 from the recent EHDC CIL Grant towards the cost.
Meeting agreed.

4. Planning issues

4.1 Dials Close – Comments relating to the application now show on EHDC website.

4.2 Planning Application 57603/004 FUL Land South of Ashley Road and East of, Wield Road, Medstead.
Comments submitted to EHDC website.

5. Footpaths

5.1 Wield 17 BOAT (from Lower Wield to Rushmore Pond) was open during the summer but winter closure will begin in early December. Still in a poor condition, but better after the summer, with some work still to be done. Work plan is on the list for HCC.

5.2 Three Castle's Path near Barton Copse – much improved.

6. Roads

6.1 An email to all reminding of ditch clearing responsibilities been sent. A note to all land owners regarding them of their riparian duties will also be sent.

8. Defibrillator Update

8.1.1 Upkeep of the two defibrillators will be passed from Ms Georgie Al-Kanaan to Cllr Robinson.

8.2 The meeting thanked Georgie for all her work over the past year.

9. Trees

9.1 The Jubilee Oak (being looked after by Eileen Collins) now needs to be planted

9.2 It was suggested to plant the Jubilee oak and some more trees at the south end of the village green. This site was not universally approved, and councillors were to propose possible sites for discussion at the next WPC meeting (10/02.2022)

9.3 Joe Noades has been asked to trim the trees bounding the village green and cut back the trees in the fenced area behind.

10. Queen's Platinum jubilee

10.1 Queen's Platinum Jubilee – it was agreed to mark the occasion with a lunch on the village green on Sunday 5 June 2022. Organisation details to be agreed.

11. Website update

11.1 Nothing to report. The handover from Cllr Hutchinson to Cllr Richardson is progressing well.

12. Any other business

12.1 Salt bins – Cllr Hutchinson will deal

12.2 SLR rota – current rota still in force. Cllr Hutchinson will send a copy to all re next moves.

Date of next meeting. Thursday 10 February 2022 7.30pm

(Either via Zoom or in the village hall – to be decided within Covid 19 guidelines in place)