



MEMBERS OF ODIHAM PARISH COUNCIL ARE SUMMONED TO ATTEND THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING OF ODIHAM PARISH COUNCIL TO BE HELD IN THE LIBRARY ROOM, THE BRIDEWELL, THE BURY, ODIHAM, RG29 1NB ON 21st SEPTEMBER 2021 COMMENCING AT 7.30pm

9th September 2021

Andrea Mann, Parish Clerk

Members of the public are welcome to attend and are asked to adhere to all Government Covid guidelines which are still in place at the time of this meeting.

OPC reserves the right to restrict numbers should the number of attendees cause concern.

- 84/21 To receive apologies for absence**
- 85/21 To receive declarations of interests and requests for dispensation relating to any item on the agenda.**
- 86/21 Approval of Minutes**
To approve the minutes of the extraordinary full Council meeting held on 3rd August 2021 (75/21-83/21).
- 87/21 Chair's Announcements**
- 88/21 Public Session**
An opportunity for residents to raise questions and issues within the Parish in accordance with Standing Orders. Please view details at <https://odihamparishcouncil.gov.uk/council/policies-and-publications> or contact the Parish Office for further advice.
- 89/21 Previous Committee Minutes**
To receive and NOTE the following minutes previously circulated to Members:
- Planning & Development Committees held on 13th July 2021, 3rd and 24th August.
 - Finance Committee held on 20th April.
 - Staffing Committee held on 8th April.
 - Traffic & Transport Committee held on 22nd June.
- 90/21 To consider Matters Arising from the Minutes not elsewhere on the agenda (pages 5-6)**
- 91/21 Funding from the Government's Covid Welcome Back Fund**
To note two grant awards from the above fund which funded the hire of picnic benches and the cost of updating the Visit Odiham leaflet.



- 92/21 Odiham Village Centre Area Action Plan (pages 7-27)**
- i) To receive comments on the draft Action Plan produced by the Village Centre Area Action Plan Working Group.
 - ii) To approve the draft Action Plan which will be put to public consultation in October.
- 93/21 Odiham Book Exchange**
To receive a verbal progress report from the Chair on the establishment of the Book Exchange Community Interest Company.
- 94/21 The Bridewell Progress Report (pages 28-30)**
To receive the Clerk's progress report on The Bridewell freehold transfer, building repairs and future plans.
- 95/21 Climate Emergency (page 31)**
To consider OPC's response to Climate Change.
- 96/21 Community Orchard, Odiham Cemetery Meadow (pages 32-34)**
To consider a project proposal set out in the Clerk's report.
- 97/21 Odiham and North Warnborough Conservation Area Appraisal (circulated to Councillors and attached to website papers separately)**
To agree the draft Conservation Area Appraisals produced by Alan Baxter Ltd in partnership with Hart District Council and reviewed by Cllr Verdon and Helen Fleming. Once agreed, the Appraisal will be published for public consultation.
- 98/21 Financial expenditure on OPC's Amenity Areas (pages 35-37)**
To consider recommendations from an informal Amenity Areas Committee meeting to award contracts for:
- i) Two replacements noticeboards on High Street.
 - ii) One replacement noticeboard in North Warnborough.
 - iii) Repairs to three benches, the highest identified priorities in the recent bench survey.
 - iv) Planting a rowan tree in the cemetery to replace a dead, cherry tree.
 - v) Hedge maintenance - Recreation Ground running parallel with Recreation Road.
 - vi) Hedge maintenance - Cemetery driveway.
 - vii) Hedge maintenance - Cemetery, main burial lawn running parallel with Mildmay Court.
 - viii) Replacing 4 timber swing legs in the Chamberlain Gardens play area for equipment listed as "end of life" in the recent play inspection report.
 - ix) Removing and replacing one piece of broken play equipment from the Chapel Pond Drive play area following failure of this equipment.



- x) Replacement guttering, King St toilets.
- xi) Repairs to play areas identified in the 2021 inspection reports.

99/21

North Hampshire Downs Designation (AONB) (pages 38-40)

To receive the Deputy Clerk's report from the meeting with CPRE and consider supporting the research and concept of the designation. To be introduced by Cllr Verdon.

100/21

Councillor appointments to committees

To approve Cllr G Ball's appointment to the Amenity Areas Committee and Community Committee and Cllr Brown's appointment to the Community Committee.

101/21

Introduction from Donna Jones, Police & Crime Commissioner for Hampshire & Isle of Wight (page 41-42)

To note the introduction from Donna Jones and the [survey](#) asking for comments on the policing priority plans.

102/21

Planning & Development Committee Decisions

To ratify decisions made by the Planning & Development Committee meeting held by Zoom on 14th September 2021 which can be viewed at <https://odihamparishcouncil.gov.uk/council/meetings-agendas-and-minutes>.

103/21

Composting in Odiham and North Warnborough (page 43)

Following discussion in July (Item 62/21 refers), to review the responses received.

Financial Matters

104/21

September 2021 Payments

To approve the payments listing for September 2021 and appoint two Councillors with signatory rights to complete the payment process. (This listing will be circulated to Councillors by email before the meeting).

Councillor Reports

105/21

Meeting reports from Councillors

To RECEIVE any verbal reports from Councillors on their attendance at outside meetings.

106/21

Reports from other Councils

To RECEIVE any verbal reports from Hart District Councillors and the Hampshire County Councillor representing Odiham. Cllr Glen's written report is attached (pages 44-47).

107/21

Date of next meeting

19th October 2021.



Confidential Matters

108/21 **To pass a resolution in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 to exclude the public and press to consider confidential contractual and staffing matters which meet the criteria of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 Part 1.**

109/21 **Draft Bridewell Plans (pages 48-51)**
To consider accepting in principle the draft Bridewell plans, as presented by local resident Leo Cornall, which will be further researched by the Working Group and tested through consultation and a Feasibility Study.

110/21 **Review of OPC's Property Portfolio (pages 52-54)**
To review the Clerk's report summarising research carried out since the July meeting and to consider next steps, as proposed by the Working Group.

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Full Council				
Date of meeting	Agenda ref no	Cllr to action	Details	Status
OUTSTANDING ON-GOING ITEMS				
June 21	23/21	Clerk	Change previous minutes from draft and add to website.	Complete
	29/21	Clerk	Add adopted Staffing ToR and Training & Development Policy to website & circulate to staff.	Complete
	30/21	Deputy Clerk	Add village gateway schemes to T&T Strategic Plan to research funding and progress.	Complete
		Deputy Clerk	Forward request to extend 30mph zone on B3349 to HCC.	Complete. Referred to T&T agenda.
	31/21	Clerk	Forward agreed list of S106 projects to Hart DC (including decision on B3349 village gateways above).	Complete
	32/21	Clerk	Forward OPC's preferred Crownfields car park plans to Hart DC planning.	Complete
	33/21	Clerk	Revise Memorial Testing Policy then add to website.	Complete
		Clerk	Award topple testing contract to Larkstel Ltd in line with above policy and manage process.	Completed - tests scheduled w/c 1st Nov
	34/21	Clerk	Liaise with The Goddard Partnership to notify OPC's decision to rescind costing exercise and replace with costed schedule of works and feasibility study. Start work.	Underway
	35/21	Clerk	Plea to local community for voluntary help to repair OPC's street furniture.	
		Clerk	Contact Church Crookham " "	No resources to help.
		Clerk	Contact Terrific Camaraderie " "	Complete
		Clerk	Report back to Council on progress.	No interest. Alternative proposal on agenda
		Cllrs RC & PV	Review 2015 bench audit.	Complete. Findings to be reviewed.
	36/21	Clerk	Forward Fabrik's report to Hart DC Planning.	Complete
		Clerk	Redact personal data then forward report to Montford Place residents.	Complete
		Clerk	Respond to Persimmon Homes explaining OPC will not be accepting POS at current time.	Complete
	37/21	Clerk, Cllrs RC & JR	Set up payments and complete payment approval process.	Complete
	39/21	Clerk	Publish end of year accounts on website.	Complete
	40-41/21	Clerk	Publish AGAR on website and noticeboards as required.	Complete
		Clerk	Submit AGAR and associated paperwork to external auditor.	Complete
	46/21	Clerk	Award broadband and phone contracts to BT.	Complete
		Clerk	Complete set up.	Broadband complete. Phones outstanding
	47/21	Clerk	Arrange meeting with Odiham Consonsolidated Charities re property portfolio.	Complete
			Start discussions with Odiham Society re The Bridewell office space.	Underway
			Start discussions with U3A re use of The Bridewell.	Underway
July 2021	50/21	Clerk	Change previous minutes from draft and add to website.	Complete
	51/21	Clerk	Add The Bridewell Working Group ToR to website.	Complete
		Clerk	Set up first working group meeting.	Complete
	53/21	Clerk	Add Cllr Brown's appointment to website and complete required admin.	Complete
	58/21	Cllr AMc/Clerk/Deputy	Submit Odiham Book Exchange CIC application.	Underway. To be discussed 02.09.21
		Cllr AMc	Arrange first CIC meeting to appoit positions.	Complete
		Clerk	Update the Library Working Group ToR and add to website.	Complete
	59/21	Clerk	Notify Internal Auditor of their appointment for 2021/22.	Complete
		Clerk	Research and seek comparative quotes for 2022 appointment.	
	60/21	Deputy Clerk	Update Community Awards Working Group ToR and add to website.	Complete
		Deputy Clerk	Make revisions to Grant Giving Policy and add to website.	Complete
	61/21ii	Clerk/Deputy Clerk	Arrange first meeting with RAF to discuss Queen's Platinum Jubilee event.	Scheduled 23.09.21
	62/21	Clerk	Obtain further information on composting.	Complete
	64/21	Clerk/Deputy Clerk	Notify grant applicants on the outcome of their applications and transfer funds where applicable.	Complete

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OUTSTANDING ON-GOING ITEMS				
	65/21	Clerk	Notify Hazel Developments of OPC's preferred name Maplefields.	Complete - note agreed name May Fields
	66/21	Clerk	Notify Leapfrogs of OPC's decision and obtain further information as requested.	Complete - no response from Leapfrogs
	73/21	Clerk	Refer OPC's concerns of parking in The Bury & increased charges The Bury Car Park to Hart DC.	Complete - meeting scheduled 23.09.21
	74/21	Clerk	Respond to OCC with OPC's decision.	Complete
		Clerk	Continue researching second site on OPC's asset portfolio, discuss with Working Group and report back.	Complete - on agenda.
		Clerk	Arrange first Working Group meeting.	Complete. To be discussed 02.09.21
August 2021	77/21	Clerk	Change previous minutes from draft and add to website.	Complete
	80/21	Clerk	Add Cllr Ball's appointment to website and complete required admin.	Complete
	81/21	Clerk/Cllrs RC & PV	Set up payments and complete payment approval process.	Complete
	83/21	Clerk/Staffing Committee	Appoint Amenity Officer position.	In progress

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**Odiham
Village
Centre
Area
Action
Plan**

2021-2026



ACTION PLAN

ODIHAM VILLAGE CENTRE AREA ACTION PLAN

This Plan was produced in 2021, led by Odiham Parish Council in partnership with the community. It sets out a vision for the centre of Odiham and a five year Action Plan which aims to protect and enhance what is important to residents.



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1. INTRODUCTION

The Odiham Village Centre Area Action Plan sets out a vision for Odiham centre.

This Plan aims to capture what is important to residents, what they like, what they don't like and what should be improved, listing project aims over a five year period.

The Action Plan will become a guide for a coordinated delivery of improvements:

- For direct project delivery by Odiham Parish Council or other Steering Group partners
- Used to secure external funding
- Used to influence other local authority strategic spending or plans
- Used to identify, protect and invest resources in the things which are important to the community.

This Plan is not just about future improvements. By recognising what is valued locally, it can help to protect and preserve identified values through local campaigning, grant funding and strategic spending, underpinning longevity for the future.

All objectives and project actions aim to:

- Create a stronger and more cohesive community
- Support local business, especially operating in the High Street
- Support local schools and community interest groups
- Support efforts to improving people's health and wellbeing
- Support development of stronger cultural identity and sense of belonging

Statement of Community Engagement

The Odiham Village Centre Area Action Plan was developed in 2021 in partnership with Hart District Council and the Odiham and North Warnborough community; residents, businesses and community organisations.

Residents were consulted on the draft Plan on ?????? the final Plan adopted by Odiham Parish Council on ???????

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2. MAP OF AREA COVERED

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3. BACKGROUND

Odiham village centre focusses around Odiham High Street which runs from east to west through the parish and has direct links to surrounding green spaces, largely to the north and south. The High Street itself comprises of a mix of residential, retail, eating and drinking establishments and businesses, predominantly accommodated in buildings of heritage importance.

The High Street attracts residents and visitors to its local shops and services and is an important meeting place for socialising and events. The High Street area is a focal point for visitors providing access to local walks, heritage routes and access to green spaces such as the Deer Park and Basingstoke Canal.

The High Street is the main route between the B3349 and A287. Free parking is available on the High Street for up to 2 hours and there are two pay and display car parks; the medium sized Deer Park car park to the north and a small car park in The Bury to the south. Many of the residential and business properties do not have dedicated parking.

The Odiham Conservation Area sits wholly in the village centre area and its character is defined in the Odiham Conservation Area Character Appraisal. The picturesque “chocolate box” landscape is valued by locals but is also seen as a barrier to the development of businesses due to planning restrictions and the cost of maintaining heritage buildings. The age and style of infrastructure also poses limitations on accessibility improvements.

This Plan supports and aligns with the Odiham & North Warnborough Neighbourhood Plan which states the following objectives:

“The character and vitality of Odiham’s village centre will be maintained or enhanced, providing an attractive and interesting place for people to meet. Existing and new businesses and services will be encouraged, whilst retaining the special historic and rural character of the area but with traffic and car parking managed more effectively.”

“To maintain and enhance the character and vitality of Odiham High Street, and the Parish’s ability to attract visitors.

- To seek to strengthen and support the economic activity of retail units and commercial premises in and around the High Street.
- To encourage Odiham High Street to continue to provide an attractive environment and a good place for residents and visitors to shop, eat, drink and socialise.”

And does not make proposals which contravene Neighbourhood Plan Policy 9, by:

- not proposing any change of use to ground floor properties.
- not making any proposals which alter shop fronts
- adhering to the Odiham Conservation Area Character Appraisal

This Plan includes infrastructure projects stated in the Neighbourhood Plan.

ACTION PLAN

i. PUBLIC SPACES AND SERVICES

Objective	Action (completed or ongoing shown in green)	Benefit	Lead Organisation	Partner Organisation	Target Start Date	Target End Date	Funding Sources	Priority
Retain rural public services	Establish Odiham Book Exchange to retain access to books.	Social. Educational. Health & wellbeing.	OPC	Community	May 2021	Ongoing	HCC	
	Maintain public service presence in centre by taking on The Bridewell.	Social. Health & wellbeing. Community cohesion.	OPC	Community organisations	May 2021	Ongoing	HCC OPC	
	Develop The Bridewell into better utilised community hub.	Social. Health & wellbeing. Community cohesion.	OPC	Community organisations	2021-22	Ongoing	OPC Community fundraising External funding	
	Provide public support to access principal authority, online services.	Health & wellbeing.	OPC	Hart DC HCC				
	Be open to devolution of public services from principal authorities.	Social. Health & wellbeing. Environmental.	OPC	Hart DC HCC	Ongoing	Ongoing		
Make open spaces more attractive (OPC owned but not restricted to)	Make better use of green spaces eg for people to enjoy after school drop off/pick up. Projects such as improved signage, access, online promotion, walking map, improved biodiversity/green routes.	Health & wellbeing. Environmental.	OPC					
	Make better use of and links to Recreation Ground.	Health & wellbeing. Environmental.	OPC					

Completed projects - Ongoing projects - High priority

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Objective	Action (completed or ongoing shown in green)	Benefit	Lead Organisation	Partner Organisation	Target Start Date	Target End Date	Funding Sources	Priority
Public toilets	Retain.	Health & wellbeing.	OPC		Ongoing	Ongoing	OPC	
	Disabled "Changing Places" toilet.	Health & wellbeing.	OPC	High St businesses.			OPC External funding S106/CIL	

Completed projects - Ongoing projects - High priority

ACTION PLAN

ii. STREETScape AND PUBLIC REALM

Objective	Action	Benefit	Lead Organisation	Partner Organisation	Target Start Date	Target End Date	Funding Sources	Priority
Odiham Conservation Area Character Appraisal	Adopt final Appraisal.	To provide clear policy.	OPC	HDC	2020	2021	OPC	
More seating on High St	Provide more, well sited seating on the High St.	Social. Health and wellbeing. Attract visitors.	OPC	HCC		Ongoing	OPC S106/CIL Grant funding	
Further cycle racks on the High Street. (also under parking, access and travel).	Further, well sited cycle racks on & in vicinity of the High Street.	Environmental. Health and wellbeing. Attract visitors.	OPC	HCC			OPC S106/CIL Grant funding	
Improve signage	Keep traffic management signage to a minimum, located at extremities of village to preserve character. (also under parking access and travel).	Visual.	HCC	OPC				
	Wayfinding – better links to green spaces, walks, local attractions, heritage and links between Odiham/North Warnborough. (also under parking access and travel).	Environmental Health and wellbeing. Attract visitors.	OPC	HDC HCC Odiham Society				
	Digital information board.	Attract visitors.	OPC	Community organisations eg Odiham Society, InOdiham, Lions				

Completed projects - Ongoing projects - High priority

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Objective	Action	Benefit	Lead Organisation	Partner Organisation	Target Start Date	Target End Date	Funding Sources	Priority
	Village Centre sign.	Visual.	OPC	Community organisations eg Odiham Society, InOdiham, Lions				
	Village Gateways (gates & signage at village entrances to encourage reduction in speed).	Safety.	OPC	HCC			S106/CIL	

Completed projects - Ongoing projects - High priority

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iii. BUSINESS SUPPORT

Objective	Action	Benefit	Lead Organisation	Partner Organisation	Target Start Date	Target End Date	Funding Sources	Priority
Business support	Develop Business Partnership Forum including WhatsApp group to share business support news and opportunities.	Economic	OPC	Local businesses	Feb 2020	Ongoing	OPC – minimal costs	
	Shop Local, Eat Local, Support Local campaign.	Economic Attract visitors	OPC	Community organisations Local businesses			OPC Grant funding	
Employment	Promote local job opportunities – local jobs board?	Economic	?	OPC Community organisations High Street businesses Hart Economic Development Hart Voluntary Action				
	Provide local training opportunities and schemes to support job seekers.	Economic Health & wellbeing	?	OPC Community organisations High Street businesses Hart Economic Development Hart Voluntary Action				
Banking services	Investigate options for local banking services in Odiham	Economic Environmental Health & wellbeing	?	OPC Hart Economic Development				

Completed projects - Ongoing projects - High priority

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Objective	Action	Benefit	Lead Organisation	Partner Organisation	Target Start Date	Target End Date	Funding Sources	Priority
Events/markets which increase footfall on High Street	Install secure fixings for market gazebos in the High St	Economic Health & wellbeing	inOdiham	OPC Community organisations High St businesses			Funded by OPC	
	Offer grants to organisations offering not for profit events to the community	Health & wellbeing	OPC	Various			Funded by OPC	
Better/coordinated use of empty units or under utilised spaces	Eg Airbnb, temporary pop-up-shops, creating online listing of available spaces. Further projects to be determined	Economic Social Attract visitors	? Poss All Saints	OPC Hart Economic Development Community organisations High St businesses				
Encourage entrepreneurs/ business start ups	Eg pop up shops, Further projects to be determined	Economic Social Attract visitors	?					
Support local home working	Stronger support for home working eg survey to identify problems encountered by residents.	Economic	OPC					
	Establish hot desking offer at the Bridewell.							
	Support planning applications for extensions to create home offices.	Environmental Health & wellbeing						

Completed projects - Ongoing projects - High priority

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iv. IDENTITY AND BRANDING

Objective	Action	Benefit	Lead Organisation	Partner Organisation	Target Start Date	Target End Date	Funding Sources	Priority
Branding	Set up Your Odiham brand.	Economic Attract visitors	OPC				OPC	
	Review purpose and key selling points to ensure correct messages and develop comms plan.	Economic Attract visitors	OPC				OPC	
	Extend to further projects.	Economic Attract visitors	OPC				OPC	
More reasons to visit Odiham centre.	Support community organisations and businesses to provide events, activities and offers.	Economic Attract visitors	OPC	Community organisations eg InOdiham, Lions High St businesses				
	Better promotion of everything on offer in the local area	Economic Attract visitors	? Lions?	OPC Community organisations High St businesses				
Protect heritage value	Ensure strong policies to protect & enhance heritage.		OPC Odiham Society	Hart DC				
	Projects and events which protects and improves access to heritage sites and increases visitors.		OPC Odiham Society	Community organisations				
Pride of place	Acknowledge this is important for all ages and demographics.							

Completed projects - Ongoing projects - High priority

ACTION PLAN

PARKING, ACCESS AND TRAVEL

Objective	Action	Benefit	Lead Organisation	Partner Organisation	Target Start Date	Target End Date	Funding Sources	Priority
Address the perceived speed and volumes of traffic (NP Aims & Objectives 4.7)	Establish Community Speedwatch.	Safety.	OPC	Hampshire Police	May '21	Ongoing	OPC, minimal expenditure	Complete
	Investigate crossing point near the Post Office and Co-op.	Safety.	HCC	OPC			S106/CIL	
	Keep traffic management signage to a minimum, located at extremities of village to preserve character.	Safety. Visual.	HCC	OPC	Ongoing	Ongoing	HCC.	
Increase parking provision	Investigate layout of parking bays.	Economic.	HDC	OPC HCC				
	Investigate projects which manage parking around schools.	Safety.	HCC	OPC				
	Shop workers parking schemes.	Economic.	HDC	OPC				
	Investigate options for an additional car park within walking distance of the High St	Economic	OPC	Hart			S106/CIL	
Encourage more walking and cycling	Further cycle racks on the High Street. (also under streetscape and public realm).	Environmental.	OPC	HCC				
	Consult all sectors of community eg target parents of school children.	Environment	OPC	HCC				

Completed projects - Ongoing projects - High priority

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Objective	Action	Benefit	Lead Organisation	Partner Organisation	Target Start Date	Target End Date	Funding Sources	Priority
	Wayfinding - improve signage in the High St directing to nearby green spaces, walks and walking routes between Odiham & North Warnborough.	Environmental. Health and wellbeing.	OPC	HCC HDC				
	Engineering solution to make better use of shared pedestrian/ vehicle spaces (NP Aims & Objectives).	Safety. Environmental.	HCC	OPC HDC				
	Cycleway links to North Warnborough and RAF Station.	Environmental.	HCC	OPC HDC				

Completed projects - Ongoing projects - High priority

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v. COMMUNITY COHESION

Objective	Action	Benefit	Lead Organisation	Partner Organisation	Target Start Date	Target End Date	Funding Sources	Priority
Community Hub	Maximise opportunities for all sectors of community to unite and participate in shared activities.	Social. Health and wellbeing.	OPC	Community organisations. HVA.	2022	Ongoing		
	Support increase in home working to contribute towards community cohesion eg planning decisions and providing hot desking opportunities.							
Maximise opportunities for community to come together	Support community events.	Social. Health and wellbeing.	InOdiham.	OPC. Community organisations.	Ongoing	Ongoing		
	Develop The Bridewell into a better utilised community Hub.	Social. Health and wellbeing. Educational.	OPC	Community organisations.	2021	Ongoing		
Communication	Develop OPC website, newsletter and social media presence Improve noticeboards	Social	OPC		2021	Ongoing		

Completed projects - Ongoing projects - High priority

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vi. DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY

Objective	Action	Benefit	Lead Organisation	Partner Organisation	Target Start Date	Target End Date	Funding Sources	Priority
Provide real time, live travel information.	Ensure new bus shelters include RTI.	Social. Economic.	HCC	OPC			S106/CIL	
Provide current tourist information	Digital information board. (Interactive)	Social. Economic. Attract visitors.	OPC	Hart Economic Development				
Superfast broadband	??	Economic.						
Provide public wifi access	Wifi provision to the Bridewell Encourage businesses to provide access.	Social. Economic.	OPC	High St businesses				
Provide mobile phone charging points	Investigate through High St public realm, eg benches. Schemes which encourage High St businesses to provide.	Social. Economic. Attract visitors.	OPC	High St businesses				

Completed projects - Ongoing projects - High priority

ACTION PLAN

vii. DISABILITY ACCESS, HEALTH & WELLBEING

Objective	Action	Benefit	Lead Organisation	Partner Organisation	Target Start Date	Target End Date	Funding Sources	Priority
Accessible toilets	Provide disabled toilet	Health & wellbeing.						
Improve wheelchair/ buggy accessibility.	Work with HCC to improve condition of pavements.	Health & wellbeing.						
	Consider limitations on access from High Street to The Bridewell.	Health & Wellbeing.						
	Acknowledge residents in the Almshouses.	Health & wellbeing						
Accessibility	Dementia Awareness training/scheme for community organisations and retailers.	Health & wellbeing.						
	Website accessibility for blind readers.	Health & wellbeing.						
	Safeguarding training.	Health & wellbeing.						
	First aid training/ information point	Health & wellbeing.						
	Network of defibrillator provision. Encourage partnership working with other community groups and advertise for volunteer co-ordinator.	Health & wellbeing.	OPC	OCC				
Support groups	Consider support groups at The Bridewell for disabled users and carers.	Health & wellbeing.						

Completed projects - Ongoing projects - High priority

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viii. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

Objective	Action	Benefit	Lead Organisation	Partner Organisation	Target Start Date	Target End Date	Funding Sources	Priority
Clear policy	Develop Environmental and Biodiversity Action Plan.	Environmental.	OPC					
Better recycling	Scheme to manage non-food waste.	Environmental.	Hart DC					
	Provision of public recycling bins.	Environmental.	Hart DC					
	Education through signage.	Environmental.	Hart DC					
Reduce carbon emissions - reduce dependency on cars	Better signage for walking routes (see also wayfinding under iii).	Environmental. Health & wellbeing.						
	Virtual/live streaming public meetings.	Environmental.	OPC					
	Encourage a reduction in travel by promoting 'local'	Environmental Economic	OPC					
Reduce carbon emissions by encouraging electric vehicles	Provide electric vehicle charging points.	Environmental.	Hart DC	OPC				
Reduce dependency on plastic	The UK Plastic Pact – WRAP	Environmental	All organisations					
	Deposit return schemes	Environmental.	High St businesses					
	Plastic free pledge	Environmental.	All organisations					
Reduce litter	Litter picking events	Environmental.	OPC Lions					
Promote organic food	Support weekly market	Environmental. Economic.	InOdiham					
	Support Flavourfest.	Environmental. Economic.	InOdiham					

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Objective	Action	Benefit	Lead Organisation	Partner Organisation	Target Start Date	Target End Date	Funding Sources	Priority
	Encourage development of regular food market.	Environmental. Economic.	InOdiham					
Support increase in home working to contribute towards community cohesion	eg through planning decisions and providing hot desking opportunities							

Completed projects - Ongoing projects - High priority

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REVIEWS AND REVISIONS

Date		



REPORT ON: The Bridewell Progress Report

WRITTEN BY: Parish Clerk, on behalf of The Bridewell Working Group

MEETING DATE: 21st September 2021

AGENDA ITEMS: 94/21

i) Freehold transfer

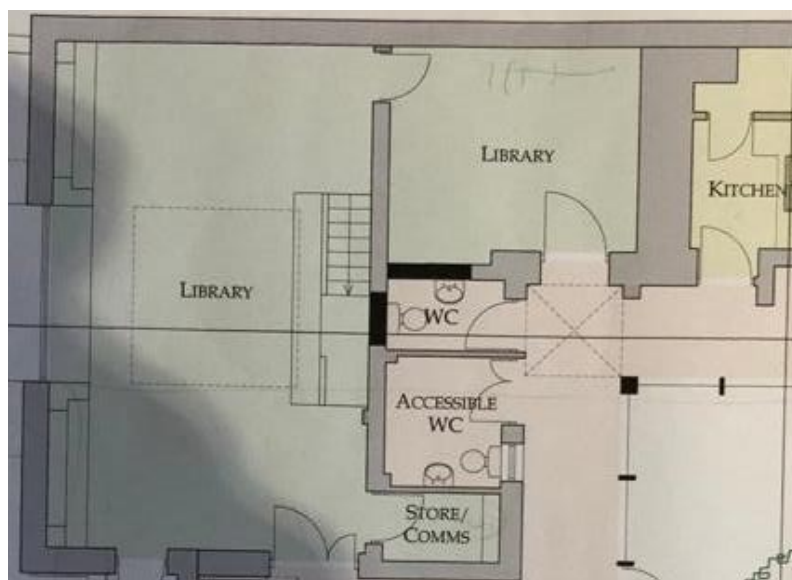
All matters are with the HCC Legal department and OPC's solicitor. I requested an update and stated we would like to conclude this matter by the end of the year with a handover on 1st January 2022. My contact at HCC is also keen to conclude the transfer and both legal representatives have been contacted.

The latest update from the Solicitor 31.08.21 "I am still waiting for the local authority search to be returned. It is currently estimated to be returned on 15 September."

There are a number of contracts to be reviewed before the transfer is complete and we have started to obtain quotes, assuming 1st January as the start of new contracts.

ii) Repairs and maintenance, year 1

As advised by The Goddard Partnership on 12th August, they needed to produce elevation plans before producing the costed schedule of works and obtaining quotes. The schedule was due to be sent in August but this is now likely to be September because we asked for this to include a new, additional toilet next to the existing accessible toilet and new entrance to the library room, as per the plans below.



Note that contractors will be asked to return their quotes within 3-4 weeks and returned quotes assume the contractor is ready to start work within a few weeks of the contract award.

As a reminder, £11,000 is available for immediate expenditure.

iii) Business Plan (setting out a future vision which aspires to reaching a cost neutral management position)

Suggested process:

- OPC to agree draft building plans in principle (refer to exempt item)
- Working Group to meet with TGP to start process and confirm feasibility of draft building plans
- Agree aims and future usage through public consultation in Autumn newsletter
- Working Group to confirm plans meet above needs
- Revise plans as required and seek OPC approval
- Research and secure funding – phasing likely to be necessary
- Submit planning application

Depending on advice from TGP, it may be prudent to seek pre-application advice from Hart DC.

iv) OPC's request to extend front curtilage

Option 1 – to confirm status of ownership and acquisition with Land Registry then seek to extinguish Highway Rights on it. No progress, as advised by HCC, this route is costly with no guarantee of success. Does OPC want to follow this option?

Option 2 – for OPC to take on parking control - enquiries made to Hart DC on-street parking patrol. Email sent to Hart DC Parking explaining current parking problems and asking for support with on-street parking enforcement. A site visit is scheduled 23rd September, time tbc, for anyone who would like to attend.

During July/August there were several instances of cars blocking the access ramp including times when it was required for a mobility scooter and buggies during a book exchange session. A solution could be to install bike racks around the entrance ramp @ £175 each, plus HCC licences @ £864 plus installation.



This would also support OPC's approach to actioning Climate Change.

v) Office space

Refer to exempt agenda item.

vi) Funding opportunities

Year 1

- £11k available.
- How to fund shortfall in repairs/toilet provision? We are trying to progress the review of OPC's assets alongside The Bridewell work but it may be possible to vire some funds from the Chapel's EMR's.

Year 2 onwards

- We will need to compile a draft budget showing how management costs can be met and will need to know the actual costs once HCC remove their contracts. The sooner the additional toilet is installed, the sooner we can generate additional income.
- Large scale building works will require significant funding which will be easier to manage if this is from one funding source. There are various schemes open to OPC but fewer offering larger grants. Match funding is often required. Many of the Lottery grants are linked so one may stop access to another. We have started initial enquiries but really need the Business Plan and building plans before submitting any expressions of interests.

Summary

This is a progress report from the Working Group, there are no decisions required under this agenda item.

REPORT ON: Climate Emergency

WRITTEN BY: Parish Clerk

MEETING DATE: 21st September 2021

AGENDA ITEMS: 95/21

Introduction

Climate change is changing weather patterns and an increase in extreme weather conditions caused by a build up of green house gases in the earth's atmosphere. The gas which affects the climate most is carbon dioxide.

The Climate Emergency is well publicised and a frequent topic in the national media. The Climate Pledge calls on companies and organisations to be net zero carbon across their business by 2040.

Local Councils are being encouraged to play their part in tackling climate change and NALC "believes that, collectively, across 10,000 local councils we can tackle climate change locally and create more climate-friendly communities". The new NALC webpage suggest a Climate Change Declaration is the first step [NALC Climate Change](#)

Hampshire County Council, Hart District Council and many parish/town councils have already made the Climate Change Declaration and projects are emerging to help tackle Climate Change, such as increasing EVCP's and Hampshire County Council's Parish Pollinator Pledge: <https://www.hants.gov.uk/community/parish-pages/parish-pollinator>.

OPC already acknowledges and considers Climate Change in daily life and lists projects on OPC's Strategic Plan which will help to respond to Climate Change, eg:

- Sustainable transport – EVCP's
- Increasing biodiversity, including developing a Biodiversity Policy
- By listing a local recycling scheme in the Village Centre Action Plan
- By using local contractors where possible
- By reducing travel to physical meetings and using Zoom where possible

For Decision

OPC acknowledges the Government's Climate Emergency Declaration and resolves to:

- i) Consider Climate Change in all decision making and delivery of services and activities.
- ii) Review all Council services and functions and draw up an Action Plan within 6 months setting out where carbon emissions can be reduced.
- iii) Following adopting and review of the Action Plan, OPC will consider whether declare a net zero carbon pledge."

REPORT ON: Community Orchard Project Proposal

WRITTEN BY: Parish Clerk

MEETING DATE: 21st September 2021

AGENDA ITEMS: 96/21

Introduction

Following on from agenda item 95/21, protecting and increasing biodiversity is just one of the ways OPC can respond locally to Climate Change - trees help to combat global warming by absorbing carbon dioxide and releasing oxygen back into the air. NALC's new [Webpage](#) lists a community orchard as a way of protecting important open spaces.

A community orchard at Cemetery Meadow is already listed on OPC's Strategic Plan. Whilst there is still a need to develop OPC's full response to Climate Change, this report sets out a project proposal to plant a community orchard this Autumn/Winter in line with the optimal planting season, October-March.

Additionally, Hart District Council has recently commissioned a tree survey across Hart to establish tree coverage against the Government's 17% target. The survey concluded that tree coverage in Odiham is only 16.1%, lower than Hart's overall percentage of 28%.

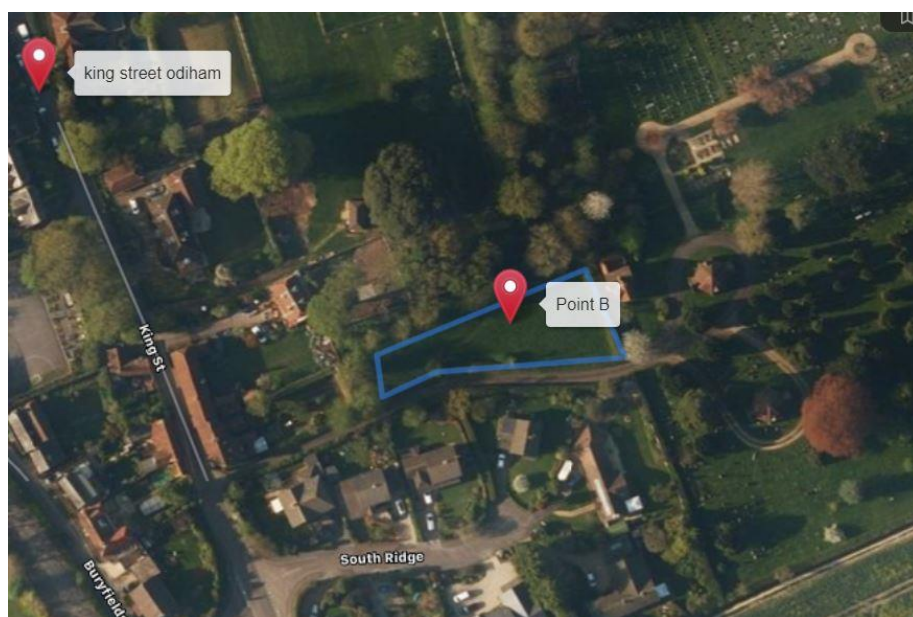
Project Proposal

Overview

To plant a community orchard at Odiham Cemetery meadow.

Site

Cemetery Meadow, King Street, Odiham.



Approx site size: 1700m².

Proposed planting area: 800m².

Aims and objectives

- To respond locally to the Climate Change emergency by encouraging biodiversity.
- To protect the site from development.
- To support the health & wellbeing of residents by providing an opportunity to unite residents in a shared, outdoor activity and by providing access to fruit.
- To support Hart District Council's mission to increase tree coverage in Odiham in line with the Government's targets.

Scope

- Site clearance
 - Cut sides and top of the driveway hedge bordering the site on the east and south boundaries and ensure adequate access through the driveway entrance.
 - Remove existing, self-seeded sycamore tree which is blocking the access from the driveway and of little ecological benefit.
 - Crown lifting and some small scrub areas along the perimeter that require clearing to ensure the site is free from risks.
 - To cut meadow, already scheduled for Autumn.
 - To mark out locations for new trees and prepare ground as required.
- Tree planting
 - To purchase 30 x mixed fruit trees (60-70% apple, 30-40% pear/cherry/plum), approx. 6-7ft plus stakes, ties and rabbit spiral protectors.
 - To organise a community tree planting ceremony in partnership with local school(s) mid-late November.
 - Trees will be planted at 5m intervals.
- Publicity
 - To promote the project to the local community on OPC's website, Facebook page and newsletter.
 - To link the tree planting event with The Queen's Green Canopy (QGC) to mark Her Majesty's Platinum Jubilee which invites everyone across the UK to plant trees from October 2021 to March 2022.
<https://queensgreencanopy.org/get-involved/communities-and-groups/>

Timeline

- i) September – order trees, stakes, ties and spirals.
- ii) Early October – secure commitment from local schools for a community planting event.
- iii) Late October/early November – clear and prepare site for planting.
- iv) Mid-late November – tree planting event and publicity.
- v) January/February – inspect tree planting and re-plant where required.
- vi) Spring 2021 – promote in Spring newsletter.
- vii) Spring/Summer 2021 – arrange watering and weeding regime.

Cost (quotations available for Councillor inspection)

30 x mixed fruit trees plus delivery	£1,090
30 x 1.8m softwood stake, 2 ties per tree & rabbit spiral	£345
Site clearance	£350 (hedges from existing budgets)
Tree planting	0 (Councillors, staff & community)
Equipment for tree planting & watering	£150 (retained by OPC for future use)
To produce logo and design of site interpretation board	£800
Supply & interpretation board	£1,000
Publicity/promotion	In house
Future maintenance	Inspections in house
	Maintenance from existing budgets
Total costs	<u>£3,735</u>

Available budget

From OPC's reserves	£2,000 (Increasing Biodiversity EMR)
	£350 (tree maintenance)

Further to discussion with Hart DC Environmental
Countryside Manager & subject to further approval:

Developers' Contributions	£467
Hart's sponsorship scheme for environmental projects	£1,090 to cover the cost of the trees
Total available	<u>£3,907</u>

Risks and constraints

- Permitted use of site - OPC has obtained legal advice which shows The Cemetery Meadow can be used for any purpose within current planning permission – public open space/recreational land. We cannot find any evidence on record that the land is designated as burial space through the planning system and, even if the designation was formally recorded, no burial has taken place in the last 5 years. A recent submission to the Valuation Office estimated there was several years remaining space in the main cemetery area and we have a fee proposal indicating the cost of clearing vegetation at the back of the current burial lawn would be approx. £1,700 which would create further burial space. This can be considered in future budgets.
- H&S – OPC is already responsible for trees on OPC's land. The new Amenity Officer will be responsible for informally inspecting trees and OPC has budgets for formal inspections and tree maintenance.
- New trees failing – water is available from the outside tap in the cemetery and the budget includes provision for a new hose. OPC inspections will identify where trees have failed and recommend replacement planting. There will be a small contingency in the available budget.

For Decision

To consider approving the project proposal set out in this report and delegate authority to the Clerk to request funding from Hart District Council and, once full funding is secured, to make the arrangements to deliver this project as set out in the timeline.

REPORT ON: Financial expenditure on OPC's Amenity Areas
WRITTEN BY: Parish Clerk
MEETING DATE: 21st September 2021
AGENDA ITEMS: 98/21

No.	Item	Location	Notes	Cost	Impacts on budgets
i)	2 x replacement aluminium, wall mounted noticeboards	High Street noticeboard, opposite The Co-op	Quotes for replacing with timber noticeboards was presented to the June meeting showing approx. £2,500 plus installation. As discussed by Amenity Committee members 10.08.21, aluminium boards are proposed.	Supply & delivery – included in item ii) £1,256.33 Prep backboard, remove current & install new boards plus updated Parish map Installation £435 Total £1,691.33	Available budgets: £2,500 benches & noticeboards £10,075 supporting the High St Recommendation: £1,691.33 from supporting the High Street budget
ii)	1 x replacement aluminium post mounted noticeboard	Grass verge, B3349/Hook Road mini-roundabout, North Warnborough.	As above. The cost of a timber replacement was quoted at approx. £1,500.	Supply & delivery £814.54 Remove existing & install new £395 Total £1,209.54	Recommendation: £1,209.54 from benches & noticeboards budget
iii)	Repairs to 3 highest priority benches	Bench 10 - In corner of field at rear of Quarry Bench 1 – Close to War Memorial in front of Gospel Green House Bench 8 – Chamberlain Gardens, near play park	Refer to full survey report carried out by Cllrs Coleman and Verdon.	Bench 1 £190 Bench 2 £285 Bench 3 £240 Total £715	Recommendation: £715 from benches & noticeboards budget
iv)	Rowan tree, to replace dead cherry tree.	Odiham Cemetery, gravel pathway	As suggested by the Amenity Members 10.08.21, a rowan tree is suggested as the cause of the cherry tree failure is unknown.	Remove Existing £420 Supply & Plant £460 Total £880	Available budgets: £3,500 Tree works Recommended: £880 from tree works budget

No.	Item	Location	Notes	Cost	Impacts on budgets
v)	Hedge maintenance	Recreation Ground/ Recreation Road	This work is proposed following complaints from residents when the Hart refuse service refused to collect bins, claiming the overgrown hedge as the reason. We now understand the hedge was cut back very hard approx. 4 years ago. This cost is for additional works over and above the routine grounds maintenance contract.	Total cost £1,650 Less £220 already covered in routine contract Total £1,430	Available budgets: Recommendation: £1,430 from Tree Works budget
vi)	Hedge maintenance	Odiham Cemetery driveway	Refer to attached site survey report	Option 1 £275 - completed Option 2 £3,000 Option 3 £1,200 Option 4 £400 – completed Option 5 £4,000	Available budgets: Cemetery maintenance £2,000 Note: Budget burial income £9,000 Income @ 09.09.21 £9,975 Recommendation: Option 5, £4,000 from cemetery maintenance budget noting burial fees income is likely to be significantly over budget. Option 3 – consider in 2022 budget.
vii)	Hedge maintenance	Odiham Cemetery, main lawn area running parallel with Mildmay Court.	This work was requested by the Mildmay Court residents. On investigation, we found that work was last undertaken in 2016. A site visit with the contractor and Mildmay Residents Association found the hedge was up to 15ft wide in places and have covered some burial plots and a memorial bench. In 2016, Mildmay Court paid 40% of the cost and have maintained their side of the hedge since 2016.	Option 1 £2,550 Option 2 £3,400 Option 3 £350 Refer to site survey report.	Available budgets as above. Recommendation: For discussion. Option 1 & 2 is likely to create a significant overspend from the Cemetery maintenance budget. Option 3 – recharge to Mildmay Court residents

No.	Item	Location	Notes	Cost	Impacts on budgets
viii)	Replace 4 timber swing legs	Chamberlain Gardens play area	OPC has already approved the cost of 2 replacement legs play equipment in response to the 2020 inspection report. While awaiting part, the 2021 inspection report recorded all swing legs as "end of life". The equipment has been taken out of use due. As suggested by Amenity Committee members, a quote was obtained for a stainless steel replacement @ £6,794.82	Supply & installation: 1 st set of 2 legs £1,179.07 2 nd set of 2 legs £880.39 Total £2,059.46	Play Areas budget – estimate £2,800 Play Area replacement EMR £5,000 Recommendation: £2,059 from combined playground budgets then vire any unspent funds at the end of the year from the main budget to EMR's.
ix)	Remove play equipment "Trailblazer" and repair safety surface	Chapel Pond Play area	This equipment has failed. The rope has been removed, taking the equipment out of use but the remaining broken posts do not present an immediate H&S concern.	Remove existing posts, supply and install new equipment Total £865	Available budgets as above Recommendation: £865 from earmarked reserves then vire any unspent funds at the end of the year from the main budget to EMR's.
x)	Replacement & repairs to guttering	King St toilets	Current guttering broken, creating H&S risk and likely to be contributing towards damp issues in internal walls.	Remove existing, supply & install new Total £195	Available budget: Toilets maintenance £5,361 Recommendation: £195 from toilet maintenance budget
xi)	Play equipment repairs	All play areas	To carry out repairs and maintenance to respond to issues identified in the 2021 inspection reports. Our normal playground contractor has quoted for all the items listed in the inspection report and this will need to be reviewed in detail by the new Amenity Officer	Full quotation £5,420 Proposal to defer lower priority items: rubbing down & repainting paintwork and fence at Chamberlain Gardens.	Available budget: Refer to item viii) Recommendation: £1,755 from combined playground budgets then vire any unspent funds at the end of the year from the main budget to EMR's.
				Total recommended expenditure	£16,199 Plus decision on item vii) Plus £350 to be recharged to Mildmay.

CPRE Presentation 24.08.2021

Potential North Hampshire Downs Designation (AONB)

Presented by:

Dee Hass Chair of CPRE Hampshire

Gordon Dunse Chair of STaNH

Emma Bedford, Secretary of STaNH

Attended by:

Odiham Parish Council – Cllr Pam Verdon (Planning Chair), Cllr Rowena Coleman, Cllr Kathryn Ball, Sara Jones, Deputy Clerk

Hampshire County Council – Cllr Jonathan Glen

Hart District Council – Cllr John Kennett

Long Sutton Parish Council – Cllr Roger Bright, Cllr Nick Drew

Greywell Parish Council – Cllr David Millard

Key points made:

- The process for the North Downs to be designated as an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty AONB is in the early stages.
- Stand up for North Hampshire Downs STaNH <https://www.stanhd.com/> started its campaign to stop the proposed Upper Swallick Garden Development in Ellisfield, (a new town of at least 2,500 new houses)
- STaNH is supported by CPRE Hampshire to look at the greater area of chalk downland in the North Hampshire Downs.
- The proposal is to gather support from the Parish and District Councils and in September will officially ask for support from the Councils.

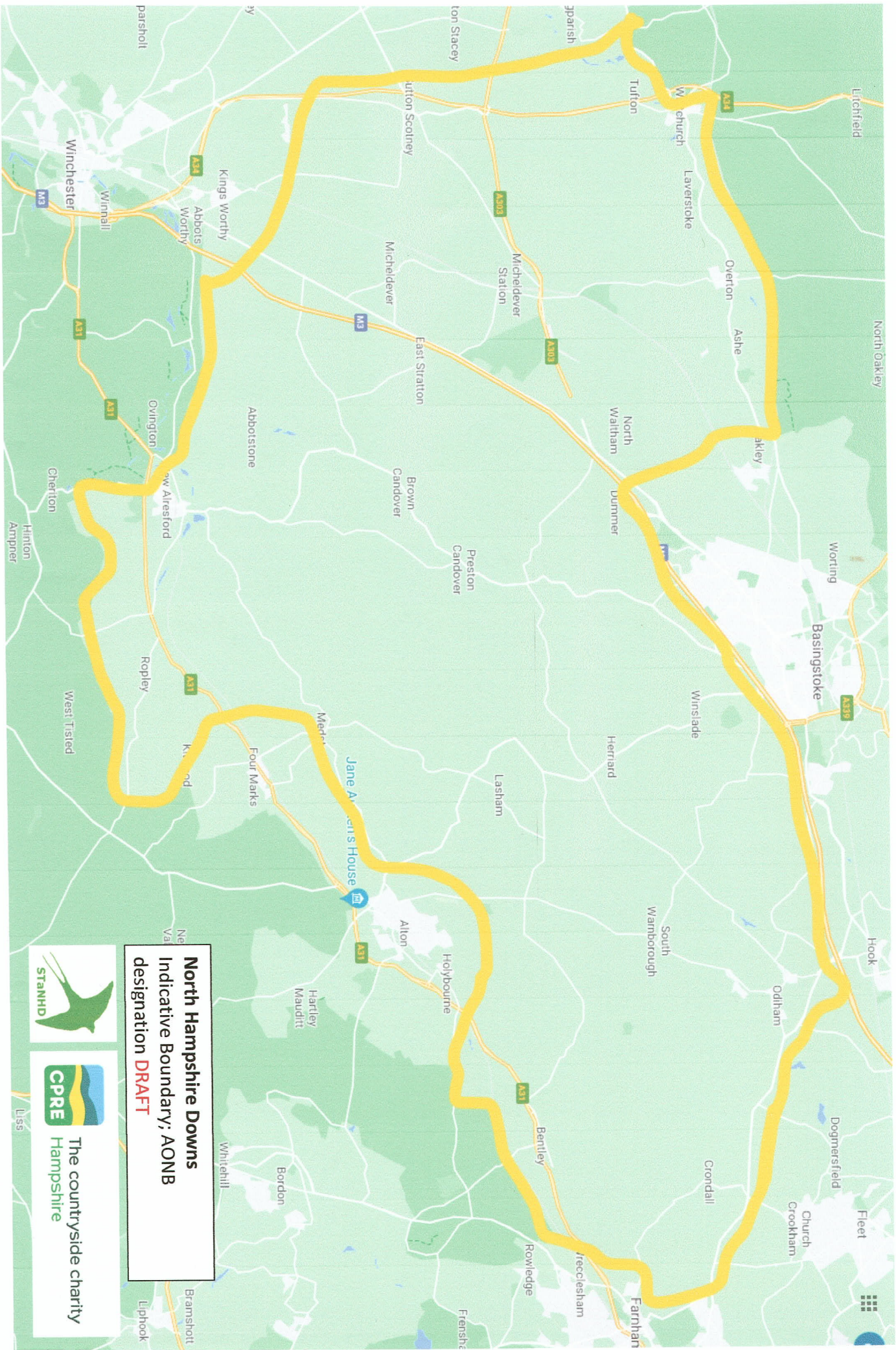
Initial process:

- To gain designation the North Hampshire Downs will need to meet criteria in the following headings:
 1. Landscape quality
 2. Scenic quality
 3. Relative wilderness
 4. Relative tranquility
 5. Natural heritage
 6. Cultural heritage
- Natural England will decide if the area meets criteria and therefore if the area needs protecting.
- The Secretary of State on the advice from Natural England and with support of the District and Borough Councils would determine the boundary of an AONB if the area met criteria.
- Currently there is a draft boundary (map circulated at the meeting and waiting for electronic version) of the AONB to be agreed and this may present other options:
 1. To link with the North Wessex Downs AONB <https://www.northwessexdowns.org.uk/> (meeting with the Chair to review AONB criteria)
 2. To link with the South Downs National Park <https://www.southdowns.gov.uk/>

(The South Downs National Park may not want to change its boundary as this could jeopardise the existing boundaries)

Next Steps:

- Meet with Henry Oliver Chair of the North Wessex Downs AONB to tour the North Hampshire Downs to gauge whether the area would meet the criteria of an AONB.
- Write to all local Parish Councils to agree to support STaNHd to pursue the AONB for North Hampshire Downs.
- Engage the services of landscape consultants to carry out landscape studies to grade the natural beauty of the designated area.



North Hampshire Downs
 Indicative Boundary; AONB
 designation **DRAFT**



The countryside charity

August 2021

Email: cllrmcfarlane@odiham.org.uk

Dear Cllr Angela McFarlane,

Since being elected in May 2021 as the new Police and Crime Commissioner for Hampshire and the Isle of Wight, I have hit the ground running. As I reach the end of my first 100 days in office, I am pleased to provide an update on the actions I have taken so far and to ensure you have my contact details.

I have been spending time with police officers, partners and speaking with the public to ensure they know I am a Commissioner who will listen to them and take action. I have had my first meeting with the Police and Crime Panel and have met with council leaders and MPs to ensure that I represent local concerns to leaders across the Hampshire constabulary policing area.

I pledged to recruit 600 new police officers by the end of 2023 and 302 new police officers have already been recruited so far from the Government's officer uplift. They will be more visible and out on local streets keeping residents safer. I have started a review into call handling to identify ways to make the service more customer-focused so that when people report a crime they are kept updated on progress.

Residents told me they are concerned about the rise of anti-social behaviour in their local communities and I have already set up an ASB task force to bring together police, local authorities and partners to tackle local problems. I have also met with the rural policing team to see how drones are being used to crack down on organised crime and I am being a voice for rural communities on crimes in their local communities.

I have been appointed at the national lead for victims across England and Wales, standing up for victims' rights at a national as well as local level, ensuring their voice is heard and their needs are at the heart of national debate and policy on policing. I am focused in sustainably improving the service victims receive from the criminal justice system, particularly victims of rape and serious sexual violence, by taking over as Chair of the Local Criminal Justice Board, and will push for improvements in the criminal justice system. I have also been appointed as national lead for Serious Organised Crime, ensuring Regional Organised Crime Units are supported to develop specialist capabilities, such as forensics, to work effectively on behalf of the public locally, regionally and nationally.

I have secured and issued substantial national funding to local projects to support victims and reduce crime. This includes cash for two Violence Reduction Unit projects to tackle the root causes of violence and prevent young people from getting involved in crime, funding to stop the cycle of abuse at an early age by working with families and young people demonstrating abusive behaviours and funding to support victims of male rape.

Looking ahead to the next 100 days, I will be launching the consultation on the priorities in my 'More Police, Safer Streets' Police and Crime Plan. The priorities in the draft Plan have been developed based on what local residents have told me what concerns them the most and what they want the police to be doing to make them safer. I would like to invite you to share your thoughts on my priorities through the survey [here](#) and please also let your residents know my priorities are out for consultation.

With best wishes



Donna Jones
Police & Crime Commissioner

Clerk

From: Rachael Goude [REDACTED]
Sent: 27 July 2021 20:02
To: Clerk
Subject: Re: Composting in Odiham

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Hi Andrea,

Many thanks for your email. Great to hear that this was discussed at the latest meeting. I'd gladly offer some answers to these questions. Please see below:

- Site access

I assume this site would be accessed from the little road just off Kings Street.

- How is composting material controlled?

The composting system would be made up of 3 separate bins (to be constructed) - active, resting, and ready to use. The material goes into an initial compost bin and occasionally turned. After a while, the compost will be left to rest, and then will soon be ready to use. These 3 bins would be on rotation.

Additional possibility of buying tumbling composters which manage the material in another method.

- Does the waste attract vermin?

Cooked foods, meats and bones tend to be what attract the vermin. Leaflets with composting instructions and guidance on what can and can't be composted will be prepared and shared with any takers of the initiative. These leaflets will ask users to not put these items into the compost bins. Additionally, the design of compost bins will be pest proofed (e.g. chicken wire all around) to avoid any infestations.

- Does the waste create a smell to surrounding properties?

These compost bins should not create much smell, and definitely not enough to offend nearby properties. If managed with appropriate levels of carbon (incl. cardboard, twigs, leaves etc.), these compost bins should almost create no smell at all. Furthermore, the planning stages are yet to determine where the compost bins will be positioned - the nearby properties will, of course, be considered during this process.

- What control method would be used to ensure the facility doesn't generate too much compost?

This will have to be felt as we go. I'm anticipating this to be quite popular and hope to be able to accommodate all. However, control methods include asking residents to not put cooked food into the compost bin. I have spoken to local farmer, Tom Janaway, who is happy to take any excess compost and put on his fields closest to the village. We've talked about putting a sign which indicates the part of the field grown from the village's discarded food.

I hope this helps and please field any further questions my way.

Please do let me know if I can be further involved with the conversations at the meetings - always happy to chat or present this idea a bit more formally. Looking forward to getting this project going!

Best wishes,
Rachael Goude

On Tue, 27 Jul 2021 at 14:29, Clerk <Clerk@odiham.org.uk> wrote:

Dear Rachael

COUNTY MATTERS – HOOK FOCUS

SEPTEMBER 2021 ISSUE

**Councillor Jonathan Glen
Member for Hook, Odiham &
the Western Parishes
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I hope everyone had some sort of summer break, and enjoyed watching the fantastic performances of our athletes at the Tokyo Olympics as much as I did. Now it's September we're all back to school and work.

The elephant in the room this month, of course, is the debate about Shapley Heath New Town. I have had many phone calls and emails regarding the proposed development on our doorstep but I need more!

Hart District Council (HDC) has now launched a communities survey on its plans to build up to 10,000 new houses at Shapley Heath, which is now the name for the woodland and fields separating Hook, Hartley Wintney, Winchfield and Fleet-- pretty much all our neighbouring villages.

The survey as it stands fails to ask any questions for or against this development of our rural setting, basically presenting the proposal as a fait-accompli.

I believe we have a right to express our opinion about this.

The survey locates the development at Shapley Heath, but explores NO alternatives for meeting future housing demand, and asks NO questions about whether residents want Shapley Heath to go ahead. No use asking us how many parking spaces we would like if we don't want the houses at all!

Just think...10,000 houses will produce a minimum of 20,000 transport movements in the morning rush hour, and a further 20,000 vehicles trying to get home at 5pm. Ever queued to get on the M3 through

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Hook? We will all have to add an extra hour to our commuting times. Not to mention the added pressure on our local services, shops, and medical practices.

This super-sized urban extension will merge Fleet with Hartley Wintney, Winchfield and Hook. It will have a devastating impact on our local infrastructure and will deprive surrounding towns and villages of much-needed investment.

This year, HDC plans to spend a further £279,000 of OUR money on this unpopular development. There is insufficient government funding to support this project, in addition to the District Council already having a budgeted deficit of £381,000.

If you are as concerned as I am, please share your thoughts with me by emailing me on jonathan.glen@hants.gov.uk and giving me permission to send on your responses directly.

On a more global note, I'd like to update you on what Hampshire County Council (HCC) is doing to address the climate change challenge. HCC has recognized the severity of climate change and the urgent need for action at home. We have declared a climate emergency and set two targets. The first, is to be Carbon Neutral by 2050; the second is to be resilient to the impacts of a two-degree temperature rise. The Hampshire Climate Change Strategy and Action Plan includes key programmes on transport, energy, residential emissions, and the green economy.

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More information on what we are doing and how to calculate your own carbon footprint can be found at:

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/landplanningandenvironment/environment/climatechange>.

In addition, HCC also now has a **Pollinator Strategy** and is working closely with Parish Councils on the Pollinator Pledge Project. Did you know there are around 1500 species of insect pollinators in the UK? They are vital to growing much of our crops and for plants to flourish in our fields and gardens. Unfortunately, they are facing a number of threats meaning populations are in decline.

We're looking for local communities to pledge to help enhance their local environment for pollinators and raise awareness of how important they are. Simple actions such as not cutting your grass verges could make a big difference to the pollinators in your area.

Further details are available on

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/community/parish-pages/parish-pollinator>.

We are also keen to help residents who elect to drive Electric Vehicles (EVs) as an alternative to traditional petrol and diesel cars. Trials are already underway of publicly available EV charge points for on-street locations to improve the EV network across Hampshire.

We'd like to hear your views, so please take a few minutes to complete our survey on

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx>.

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More information about our work on electric vehicles as part of our strategy to tackle climate change can also be found at <https://www.hants.gov.uk/transport/electric-vehicles>.

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