

**MINUTES OF THE ODIHAM PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE LIBRARY ROOM,  
THE BRIDEWELL, THE BURY, ODIHAM, RG29 1NB  
ON 17<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2023 COMMENCING AT 7.32**

Present: Cllrs A McFarlane (Chair), K Ball, S Bell, R Coleman, L Cornall, D Sanger, C Seabrook, H Tyler and P Verdon.

In attendance: Andrea Mann (Parish Clerk) on Zoom, Bridie Tate (Deputy Clerk), Hants CC Cllr Glen and Hart DC Cllr Hale.

**203/22 Apologies for absence**

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Griffith.

**204/22 Declarations of interests and requests for dispensation**

None.

**205/22 Approval of minutes**

RESOLVED

The minutes of the meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> December 2022 (171-202/22) were agreed as a true record of the meeting and signed by the Chair.

(Proposed by Cllr McFarlane, seconded by Cllr Bell, all in favour).

**206/22 Chair's Announcements**

The Chair reported:

- i) Four framed copies of the Hampshire & IoW Village of the Year certificate had been produced and would be displayed in The Bridewell, Cross Barn, North Warnborough Village Hall and All Saints Church. A copy was due to be presented to the Cross Barn trustees the same week.
- ii) Research was underway on The Greening Campaign Phase II and Councillors were invited to join an online workshop the following day.

**207/22 Public Session**

There were no members of the public present.

***Councillor Reports***

**208/22 Meeting reports from Councillors**

- i) The Chair reported from the Hart DC Planning Committee meeting before Christmas which considered four applications to convert The Bell Public House into housing. As agreed by Council, the Chair had made representation to the meeting and reported that all four applications had been refused.
- ii) The Chair and Vice Chair had visited a co-working facility in Godalming with the Clerk and Deputy Clerk and reported it had been a very productive meeting. Further discussions planned soon which formed part of OPC's plans to convert The Bridewell into a thriving community hub.
- iii) The Chair and Vice Chair had attended an online meeting with a senior Hart DC planning officer regarding the Crownfields landscaping plan and concluded the plans submitted by the developer were inadequate.
- iv) The Vice Chair had attended an online cycling workshop hosted by Hart DC which started the process of developing a cycling plan for Hart.

## **209/22 Reports from other Councils**

- i) Hants CC Cllr Glen's written report had been circulated to Councillors prior to the meeting (Appendix 1). Cllr Glen further reported:
  - Hants CC would be proceeding with 5% increase on its 2023/24 council tax. The authority had been working closely with central Government and campaigning for increased funds to support continued local service delivery. Cllr Glen reported the lack of funds was a very serious matter. The authority had faced a reduction in funds for the last 4 years and every service had been cut to a minimum. The Leader and Deputy Leader continued to campaign to central Government.
  - Cllr Glen reported from a meeting with the prospective developers of the Lodge Farm site which proposed five large warehouses at junction 5 of the M3. He reported that HCC's interest concerned traffic movements and congestion at junction 5 and said that HCC officer Patrick Blake was the lead officer at HCC.
  
- ii) Hart DC Cllr Hale reported on behalf of the Hart DC:
  - Crownfields development – concerns had been raised that lifting of the DPA restriction would result in a permanent loss of shared ownership properties. Cllr Hale was asked to forward details to the Clerk.
  - Potholes – all councillors continued to receive enquiries. Residents were reminded to report potholes to Hants CC.
  - Colt Hill underpass – pumps had been ordered by Hart DC or Hants? to resolve flooding problems.
  - Sewage levels – reports of rising levels in the Parish had been escalated to the relevant authorities.
  - Cycling plan – Hart DC was in the process of developing a cycling plan for Hart and the Plan was expected to be ready by March.
  - Faulty street light in the entrance of the Deer Park car park – repairs were expected to take place soon.

## **210/22 Matters Arising from the Minutes not elsewhere on the agenda**

The list was reviewed and the following points were noted:

- i) A letter had been sent to 112 High Street raising concerns about an illuminated sign in the Conservation Area. Councillors agreed that the matter should be added to the next agenda if no response is received.
- ii) The Clerk confirmed that Heras fencing constructed around the Chapels was a temporary measure. Research was planned for a more permanent solution.

## **211/22 Previous Committee Minutes**

The Finance Committee minutes of 18<sup>th</sup> October 2022 were noted.

## **212/22 Grant for gifts to RAF personnel**

A letter of thanks from the RAF Station Commander and various recipients were noted. The Chair confirmed that the 2022/23 unspent budget would be earmarked for expenditure in 2023/24.

## **213/22 OPC's Annual Risk Assessment**

RESOLVED

OPC's Annual Risk Assessment was reviewed and agreed, as presented with the agenda. (Proposed by Cllr McFarlane, seconded by Cllr Sanger, all in favour).

## **214/22 Section 106 funds held for Dogmersfield**

Members considered correspondence received from Hart District Council seeking consent to amend incorrect wording in a S106 agreement which would then allow leisure facilities and open space contributions to be spent in Dogmersfield as originally intended.

RESOLVED

Councillors accepted the recommended action proposed by Hart District Council. (Proposed by Cllr McFarlane, seconded by Cllr R Coleman, all in favour).

**215/22 Hampshire Association of Local Councils (HALC) proposed new Articles of Association**

Following HALC's decision to defer this item at the AGM October 2022, legal advice had been sought from a Solicitor which confirmed proposed changes to the Articles of Associations would not prevent access to national advice.

RESOLVED

OPC raised no objection to HALC's proposed new Articles of Associations which would be presented to HALC's extraordinary general meeting on 23<sup>rd</sup> February.

**216/22 Community Grant applications**

Members considered two grant applications received and a further recommendation to spend the remaining Community Grant earmarked reserve on upgrading Speedwatch equipment.

RESOLVED

To award grants as follows:

- i) £50 to Victim Support to purchase security items.
- ii) £250 to the Odiham Society to purchase a photocopier/scanner for use by the Odiham Society's archives.
- iii) To spend remaining funds on purchasing a new speed indication device (SID) for use by the Odiham & North Warnborough Speedwatch volunteers, noting this would result in approximately £300 expenditure from general reserves.

(Proposed by Cllr McFarlane, seconded by Cllr Sanger, all in favour).

**217/22 Annual Parish Assembly**

RESOLVED

It was agreed to hold the 2023 Annual Parish Assembly on 14<sup>th</sup> March at Robert Mays Schools (preferred venue) or Mayhill School. The agenda would include OPC's annual report, guest speakers (to be determined) and community groups would be invited to set up a stand for networking before the start of the meeting. The decision on whether to serve refreshments was deferred until the venue was known.

(Proposed by Cllr McFarlane, seconded by Cllr Verdon, all in favour).

**218/22 King's Coronation May 2023**

RESOLVED

- i) In response to the survey outcome and popular demand, a street party event budget was agreed (Appendix 2):
- ii) Expenditure was agreed from the 2022/23 budget to secure sufficient furniture hire – a quote from BE Event Hire in the value of £5,619.00 was agreed.
- iii) It was agreed to set up a Coronation Celebrations working group using the terms of reference presented with the agenda with Councillors members: Cllrs Griffith, McFarlane, Sanger, Seabrook and Verdon.

(Proposed by Cllr Verdon, seconded by Cllr Bell, all in favour).

***Planning & Development Committee***

**219/22 The responses proposed by the Planning & Development Committee held by Zoom 4<sup>th</sup> January 2023 were ratified.**

(Proposed by Cllr Verdon, seconded by Cllr McFarlane, all in favour).

**220/22 New applications received**  
 105/22 - 22/02457/HOU - The Close 133 High Street Odiham Hampshire RG29 1NW – Creation of new vehicular access gates, pedestrian gates, railings and association landscaping.

OPC decision: Councillors noted this application had already been determined and raised no objection to the proposals.  
 (Proposed by Verdon, seconded by Cllr Cornall, all in favour).

**221/22 To agree for the Chair of the Planning & Development Committee to represent OPC by joining a Hart DC task & finish group looking at the current processes in place relating to updating/renewal of Conservation Area Appraisal documentation**  
**RESOLVED**  
 (Proposed by Cllr McFarlane, seconded by Cllr Tyler, all in favour).

**Financial Matters**

**222/22 2023/24 Budget**  
 Members considered the draft 2023/24 budget as presented with the agenda and further revisions proposed by the Finance Committee:

**RESOLVED**  
 The 2023/24 budget was agreed as shown in Appendix 3 including expenditure of £268,727 and income of £56,656.  
 (Proposed by Cllr Coleman, seconded by Cllr McFarlane, all in favour).

**223/22 2023/24 Precept**  
**RESOLVED**  
 OPC’s 2023/24 precept was agreed as follows:

	<b>Income Budget</b>	<b>Expenditure Budget</b>	<b>Precept</b>	<b>Tax Base</b>	<b>Price per band D</b>
<b>2022/23</b>	52,150.00	262,802.50	210,411.50	2344.11	89.76
<b>2023/24</b>	56,656.00	268,727.00	212,071.00	2353.06	90.13
<b>+/-</b>	4,506.00	5,924.50	1,659.50	8.95	0.36
<b>% +/-</b>	8.64	2.25	0.79		0.41

(Proposed by Cllr McFarlane, seconded by Cllr Bell, all in favour).

**224/22 Insurance Policy**  
**RESOLVED**  
 A fee proposal from Zurich in the value of £6,575.58 was agreed for insurance cover for the period 1<sup>st</sup> April 2023 to March 2024.  
 (Proposed by Cllr McFarlane, seconded by Cllr Seabrook, all in favour).

**225/22 Date of next meeting**  
 21<sup>st</sup> February 2023.

**Confidential Matters**

**226/22 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.**

RESOLVED

(Proposed by Cllr McFarlane, seconded by Cllr Seabrook, all in favour).

**227/22 Chapel Cottage**

- i) The Clerk updated members on the progress of building repair works to rectify problems which had come to light since the Council had agreed a new tenancy. New tenants were due to move into the property on 23<sup>rd</sup> January and legal agreements were in progress.
- ii) The following emergency expenditure was minuted and the Clerk reported that works would be completed before new tenants moved into the property:
  - a) Ford Roofing in the value of £2,500 to repointing lower chimney, repair and replace flashing.
  - b) Dehumidifier hire in the value of £150.

Works would be funded from unbudgeted income generated from the new tenancy.
- iii) Members reviewed photos showing the internal and external fabric of the building and considered whether further maintenance was required. Following debate it was RESOLVED  
 To delegate financial authority to the Clerk of up to £3,000 to:
  - a) Seek opinion from a Structural Engineer on the stability of the chimney.
  - b) Rectify any faults identified.
  - c) Repoint sections of the lower level external walls with a lime mortar.

(Proposed by Cllr McFarlane, seconded by Cllr Sanger, all in favour).

Cllr Bell left the meeting.

**228/22 The Bridewell Working Group**

- i) The Bridewell Working Group reported that the builder had been unable to install the new toilet as per the plans agreed in the listed building consent due to concerns that variations from the available plans meant the work would require more structural support than previously quoted for.
- ii) The working group had met and considered Cllr Cornall’s proposals for an alternative location and it was RESOLVED  
 To agree the revised plan as shown in Appendix 4 and the Clerk would submit a listed building consent application.
- iii) Councillors noted the Clerk’s estimated project timeline:

	<b>New toilet (Phase I works)</b>	<b>Repair and repaint northern wall (Phase II works)</b>	<b>Use of upstairs space</b>	<b>Developing future vision</b>
January 2023	20 <sup>th</sup> - Submit LBC application for new toilet		Research feasibility of hot desking/co working space.	Late Jan - working group to review 2022 consultation and document future vision.
February 2023	21 <sup>st</sup> - approve quote	Grant funding decision expected	“ “	21 <sup>st</sup> - outline version of above to be agreed by full Council.
March 2023	31 <sup>st</sup> - Listed building consent	21 <sup>st</sup> - approve quote	Make recommendation	Include outline version in Spring newsletter and APA.

				21 <sup>st</sup> – adopt future vision as a policy document ready for new council.
April 2023	Late April – complete works	Late April/early May – complete works	Develop plans and secure funding	
May 2023	From 16 <sup>th</sup> – promote The Bridewell to new hirers			Include future vision in new Councillor training material.
June 2023	Launch		Launch	

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.57pm.

**Signed**..... **Date**.....

## **Hampshire County Councillor Update 20**

Happy New Year!

I hope you and your loved ones enjoyed the festive season.

Things are really busy post Christmas and New Year with potholes, as you might imagine. Our teams are doing all they can to carry out temporary fixes in order to reduce disruption and damage. We'll return to undertake more permanent repairs as soon as the weather improves.

Here's January's County Councillor update.

### **Highways Information**

#### **Potholes**

It's the time of year when we begin to see many more potholes forming on Hampshire's Roads.

Potholes form for many reasons, hydraulic action, structural weakness, subsoil movement for example. At this time of year though, and particularly after the range of weather we've had in the last fortnight, they are more likely to form.

Water penetrates cracks in the surface of the road during rain, when it freezes it expands, causing the structure to break down, and as vehicles pass over it that weakness gets worse until such time as the surface breaks away creating the pothole.

Hampshire Highways can't fix them unless we know about them, so PLEASE, if you see a pothole in your road or when you are out and about, take a few moments to report it to the [Hampshire County Council](#) online system. The link to do so is here:

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/.../roadma.../roadproblems/potholes>

Reporting it here is the best way to ensure it is fixed as quickly as possible.

We prioritise the busiest routes first when fixing issues, so if it's a minor road it may take a longer to get to it, but we will fix it.

A full list of where to report various issues to HCC is below as always.

## Drain cover thefts

With metal prices high I'm afraid we are once again facing a high number drain cover thefts - leaving deep openings in the road surface which could cause a potential hazard to drivers, pedestrians and cyclists, and also result in significant expense to council taxpayers.

In order to bring those responsible to justice, we need you to be our eyes and ears on the ground. I would ask anyone who sees any suspicious activity involving highway apparatus or has any information about a drain cover theft to please report this to the Police as soon as possible.

I would also be grateful to anyone who spots that a drain cover is missing to let us know quickly so that the Highways team can take appropriate action to keep our roads safe.

To report a missing drain cover please call us on 0300 555 1388 (8:30am to 5pm, Monday to Friday). In emergency situations outside of usual office hours, call the Police on 101, but if you feel road users could be in imminent danger, dial 999.



Suspicious activity or information about stolen drain covers can also be reported to Hampshire Police via their online reporting system:

<https://www.hampshire.police.uk/.../how-to-report-a-crime/>

While those responsible for the thefts might think this is a victimless crime, they are profoundly mistaken. They are risking residents' safety and stealing from the public purse. In 2021, for example, the cost to replace 68 stolen drain covers was in excess of £100,000. - This is OUR money, yours and mine as taxpayers.

As soon as we become aware that a cover has been taken, our Highways team deploy cones or barriers to reduce the risk of harm to road users and they'll assess the type of replacement drain covers needed so new ones can be ordered and fitted as soon as possible.

Our teams are also exploring the availability of replacement items made from innovative composite alternatives that have no scrap value. However, these are unlikely to be suitable for all sites and they are generally only intended as a temporary fix.

Please therefore take extra care on the roads while we do all we can to make the affected areas safe as quickly as possible.

## **Localised flooding**

You'll have noticed that the flooding has not been as bad by the railway bridge on Old Salisbury Lane this week. That in very large part is due to the action of a local resident who has dug a channel from the road into the adjoining land. Huge thanks to him for such public-spirited work.

Highways have also cleared the gully to the side as well, but as you might have noticed the problem is that it is being overwhelmed by the volume of water coming down Old Salisbury Lane and blocked by the amount of debris that water is carrying.



There was no flooding here until the railway bridge was rebuilt by Network Rail about 8-9 years ago. So that is another challenge in that the road levels have changed in relation to the land alongside.

Hampshire Highways have concluded that two things are needed. An improved drainage system by the bridge but also an investigation as to why so much more water and debris has flown down Old Salisbury Lane in the last couple of years.

The pig fields have now been used as set aside land for nitrate neutrality, (so will effectively be re-wilded over time) so there is no agricultural activity taking place on them, which would in normal circumstances be the cause of increased run off.

The feeling is therefore that a two-pronged approach is needed to deal with the issue, and investigations into how to reduce the amount of water and how to get that which reaches the bridge to drain away more quickly is needed.

## **Botley Road Footpath/Cycle Way**

The footpath/cycleway along Botley Road, close to the pedestrian lights by the Rownhams Lane junction, was severely flooded last weekend and in the early part of the week.

I'm pleased HCC acted on my request to clear the issue quickly, although I'm sorry it was only sorted on Wednesday morning, not on the first day of school for the children who use that route to get to Mountbatten.

The footpath is being swept of the debris left behind and the flooding is being investigated. Apparently, there was a ditch alongside the hedge there at one point, although it was filled in by the landowner some years ago.

Given the hazardous nature of the flooding issue, which causes the schoolchildren to have to walk onto the curb to get around it, HCC have now marked this as a priority and will act promptly if there is any further flooding there.

Investigations are ongoing into a long-term solution as well.

## Hampshire Highways figures for November

Here's the Hampshire Highways update for November:

# Highways Maintenance Newsletter

December 2022



As we moved into December, the unusually mild weather took a sharp downturn switching Hampshire Highways into high alert winter response mode. Our first salting runs took place intermittently over the first weekend of the month, stepping up as temperatures plummeted and we entered a period of prolonged freezing weather and anticipated the arrival of snow.

Residents were kept informed of our readiness for the winter response and activity; and were

reminded that they can access the salt provided for them to use in their neighbourhoods which is kept in the community salt bins.

Between the 1 and 16 December, 26 salting runs were completed, accounting for 5,250 man hours and 5,665 tonnes of salt being deposited on our Priority One routes. When forecasts signalled the very low, icy weather was set to remain for more than just a few days, we took the decision to extend the coverage to include

routes to community facilities including schools, which are not already covered by the Priority One routes.

More information about Hampshire Highways' winter response can be found on the County Council's website: [hants.gov.uk/transport/roadmaintenance/severeweather](https://hants.gov.uk/transport/roadmaintenance/severeweather)

**Hampshire Highways would like to wish you a very happy New Year.**

## Countywide Statistics for November 2022

812

Emergencies attended



4

Operation Resilience schemes completed

12,593

Gullies and other drainage cleared

8,965

Square metres of surface dressing and micro asphalt

202

Arboriculture jobs completed

4,026

Square metres of footway repaired/resurfaced

9,310

Carriageway defects repaired (including potholes)

594

Other Jobs completed (outside of all works shown)



# Test Valley Statistics

for November 2022



Please note that the figures quoted accurately reflect the highway maintenance activity carried out in each district area during the previous month. The scale of activity is generally based on a combination of cyclical work (routine), local demand/need (reactive), and the utilisation of asset management principles (planned), rather than a simple distribution across the 11 district areas. This means that the level of activity will vary from district to district each month so the monthly figures should not be compared on a like-for-like basis. Over the course of a typical financial year, maintenance activity will be relatively proportionate across the Hampshire local authority area, recognising that the size of each district area varies.

**87**



Emergencies attended



**2,044**



Gullies and other drainage cleared

**10**



Arboriculture jobs completed

**59**



Square metres of footway repaired/resurfaced

**2,249**



Carriageway defects repaired (including potholes)

**55**



Other Jobs completed (outside of all works shown)



## **Hampshire Highways ready for a cold snap**

We're heading into the coldest part of the year, so Hampshire's Highway teams will be ready, day and night, to keep main roads clear of ice and keep the County moving.

We are fully prepared for the cold weather. Our salt barns are well stocked, with around 20,000 tonnes of salt available, and our gritter fleet is ready to go. Earlier this year, all of our HGV gritter drivers received specialist driver training to equip them with the necessary advanced driving skills to stay safe in icy conditions.

However, we all need to make sure that we take extra care and drive according to the weather conditions at all times - even on the roads that have been salted. I'd ask drivers to please be patient around the salting lorries which need to keep to a maximum speed of 30 mph when spreading salt.

Don't forget all our gritters are named, keep an eye out over the next few days. Below Spread Sheeran is being filled with salt at one of our barns.

There are thousands of blue or yellow salt bins across Hampshire filled for community use. Salt from these bins is for use on public roads and pavements and can be particularly useful to 'join up' salting from the main road, carried out by our salting vehicles, to smaller access roads and pavements.

We have provided salt bins in communities so that residents can help to reduce the risk of ice on their neighbourhood roads and pavements. Spreading just one tablespoon of salt (about 20 grammes) is sufficient to treat up to one square metre of road or pavement surface. I really appreciate the help residents provide during wintry conditions, and I would ask people to let us know if a salt bin needs refilling.

You can report if a salt bin needs refilling via the County Council's website:

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/.../roadproblems/saltbinrefill>

Hampshire Highways' dedicated fleet of winter vehicles are all fitted with the latest technology to ensure salting is deposited on the highway accurately and efficiently, including full satellite navigation guidance, automatic salt delivery and dedicated snow ploughs.

Hampshire's main roads are always treated first. The 44 'Priority one' routes carry the majority of Hampshire's traffic - covering A roads, some B roads, roads to hospitals and other key emergency hubs, large schools and colleges and major bus routes. Each salt run takes approximately three to four hours to complete.

During periods of prolonged severe weather, Priority two' routes, which include remaining B roads and single access roads to villages, may also be treated.

Aside from remembering to be mindful of road conditions when travelling, Hampshire residents are also asked to spare a thought for vulnerable neighbours.

It is particularly important that those at higher risk of suffering from the ill effects of cold weather are aware of the steps they can take to look after themselves. Those particularly at

risk include, babies and very young children (under 5 years), older people and those with pre-existing medical conditions such as heart conditions, circulatory disease, asthma, Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD), depression, anxiety, diabetes or arthritis. For more information visit: How to stay well in winter - NHS ([www.nhs.uk](http://www.nhs.uk))  
Further information on salting routes and community salt bin locations is available on the County Council's web pages:

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/.../roadmaintenance/severeweather>

For advice on clearing snow and ice from pavements yourself visit:  
<https://www.gov.uk/clear-snow-road-path-cycleway>

### **Reporting Highway Problems**

Links to report road issues are here:

Potholes: <https://www.hants.gov.uk/transport/roadmaintenance/roadproblems/potholes>

Tree/hedge problems:  
<https://www.hants.gov.uk/transport/roadmaintenance/roadproblems/treehedge>

Flooding/drainage issues:  
<https://www.hants.gov.uk/transport/roadmaintenance/roadproblems/flooding>

Pavement problems:  
<https://www.hants.gov.uk/transport/roadmaintenance/roadproblems/paving>

Problems with rights of way:  
<https://www.hants.gov.uk/landplanningandenvironment/rightsofway/reportaproblem>

**When reporting an issue, you'll be sent an email confirming a reference number for the report. If you would like me to follow this up for you then do please forward that message to me and I will chase for you**

## Stanbridge Ranvilles Quarry extension

I attended, and spoke at, Hampshire County Council's Regulatory Committee (their planning committee) where the application for an extension to the quarry at Stanbridge Ranvilles was under consideration.

I am grateful to those residents who attended as well and spoke so eloquently and passionately about how the application would affect them, in all cases very directly.

For me, the issue is and always has been the cumulative impact of this kind of development on the community Shootash and on Old Salisbury Lane. The National Planning Policy Framework says that mineral and waste development should not "have unacceptable adverse impacts on the natural and historic environment or human health, taking into account the cumulative effects of multiple impacts from individual sites and/or a number of sites in a locality." That has been the experience of the residents in these communities for at least the past 12 years.

The committee however concluded that the over-riding need for sand and gravel extraction was more important and consequently voted 8:4 in favour of permission.

A positive outcome was agreement both to put in place more direct conditions encouraging lorries to use the A27 and not enter the surrounding minor roads and for additional monitoring of biodiversity, landscape reinstatement and noise conditions to be put in place.

## TVBC Cost of Living Grant Doubled.

I'm pleased to confirm that we've doubled the Test Valley Cost of Living Grant fund from £50k  £100k.

Since we set up the scheme in October 2022, the fund has already benefited 29 organisations paying for:

-  School breakfast clubs.
-  Warm hubs.
-  Debt and money management support.
-  Fresh food provision.
-  Baby essentials.
-  A dedicated CAB caseworker in the Food Bank.

I'm keen to support more organisations get a share of the money though. So, if you know a not-for-profit group who would be interested in the Cost of Living Grant, please encourage them to get in touch.

More information here   
[www.testvalley.gov.uk/costoflivinggrantscheme](http://www.testvalley.gov.uk/costoflivinggrantscheme)

## Hampshire Minerals and Waste Plan

Please remember to object to the proposals for quarrying at The Triangle on Pouncefoot Hill and at Dunwood Fruit Farm by January 31<sup>st</sup>.

The Stop the Romsey and Wellow Quarry group have produced a fantastic website and leaflet which includes help on how to object. The link to the website is here:

[www.stoptheromseyquarry.com](http://www.stoptheromseyquarry.com)

The leaflet is here:



The area known as 'The Triangle, Romsey' has been nominated and included in the Hampshire County Council Minerals and Waste Plan as a possible gravel quarry site.

**If this is approved it means we will all be faced with the prospect of a large quarry on our doorsteps, resulting in the following:**

**250 QUARRY TRUCKS  
6 DAYS A WEEK**

**18+ YEARS OF QUARRY  
WORKS, DUST & NOISE**

**ENVIRONMENTAL &  
HABITAT DESTRUCTION**

- Threat to health from silica dust, inc. respiratory problems, cardiovascular disease & cancer.
- Disruption to Road Network; increased congestion & risk of accidents with HGVs.
- Environmental damage & noise pollution.
- Changes to water flows; threatens Priority Habitats, protected species and local river network.



## WE ALL NEED TO OBJECT BY **31/01/23**

We need as many people to object to the quarry as possible as numbers matter.

Anyone is eligible to object. Even those outside the local area.

Your objection does not need to be lengthy; it just needs to express your objection.

Please visit [www.stoptheromseyquarry.com](http://www.stoptheromseyquarry.com) or take a photo of the QR code opposite on your mobile.

The website contains details of how to object and a downloadable example.



If you have any problems, please email: [info@stoptheromseyquarry.com](mailto:info@stoptheromseyquarry.com)

## **Donating your Winter Fuel Payment if you don't need it**

If you qualify for a Winter Fuel Payment, but don't necessarily need it, you can redistribute the funds locally to support those most in need. We'll be matching donations, initially up to £5000.

We've joined forces with [Test Valley Citizens Advice Bureau](#) and local charity, [Unity](#), to offer those who genuinely don't need their full Winter Fuel Payment an opportunity to donate the money to other pensioners living in Test Valley.

Anyone wishing to donate some of their Winter Fuel Payment can contact Unity on 03304 004 116, or visit <http://ow.ly/STTH50LXUy2>.

If you're in need of additional financial support, please contact Citizens Advice as soon as possible on 0808 178 6882 or go to their website [www.testvalleycab.org.uk](http://www.testvalleycab.org.uk).

Information on Winter Fuel Payments: <https://www.gov.uk/winter-fuel-payment>

This post is for those who do not need additional support and wish to pass it along to someone who does - we're not asking anyone to donate money that they need. Please do not cause yourself financial difficulty trying to help others.

## **Changes to disposal of upholstered seating at Hampshire Waste and Recycling Centres**

This year sees some changes to the way Hampshire's Waste and Recycling Centres operate as we look to increase recycling rates and stop harmful pollutants like microplastics entering the environment.

From tomorrow there is a national requirement that upholstered seating is treated separately from other waste and incinerated safely to stop pollutants from entering the environment. The only difference you should see is a separate container for upholstery at your local waste and recycling centre.

As items of upholstered seating furniture such as dining chairs, armchairs and sofas are likely to contain pollutants which stay intact and do not break down, we are required by law to ensure these items are diverted from landfill, separated from other waste and disposed of carefully at one of our energy recovery facilities.

This means that they will be incinerated to generate electricity.

We also ask that you avoid breaking up upholstered domestic seating, as this increases the potential for material to escape into the environment, - please ensure any loose material, such as coverings, is bagged for disposal at an HWRC.

The range of upholstered seating items which now need to be segregated for specialist disposal includes sofas; sofa beds; armchairs; kitchen and dining room chairs; stools and

footstools that are upholstered; home office chairs; futons; bean bags; floor and sofa cushions.

Of course, we would encourage you to first consider offering suitable items of upholstered seating furniture for reuse by donating to charity, privately selling on or reusing wherever possible.

There are three HWRC's where there isn't room for new containers, these are: Hayling Island, Hartley Wintney and New Alresford HWRCs.

### **County Councillor Grants**

I've used almost all of my grant pot for this year already. Grants this month went to West Tytherley Community Shop toward a new freezer, Awbridge and Michelmersh & Timsbury Parish Councils toward a new Speed Indicator Device, Romsey Extra Parish Council toward a dropped kerb in Whitenap Lane, and Wellow School toward their forest school initiative.

### **Getting About**

December was a quieter month, understandably, for getting about. A visit to Hill Head to speak to their Residents' Association was about it.

Additionally, I've been along to Parish Council meetings in Wellow, East Dean, Chilworth, Sherfield English, Awbridge and Michelmersh & Timsbury

### **Contact**

Do please get in touch if I can ever be of any help. For those of you using social media, I post very regular updates on many local issues including roadworks and planning applications on my Facebook page here: [facebook.com/nickadamsking](https://facebook.com/nickadamsking)

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## Outline budget for the King's Coronation Celebrations - May 2023

	2022 event costs			Proposed 2023 budget		
	Expenditure	Income	Net cost	Expenditure	Income	Net cost
<u>Commemorative Booklet</u>						
Design costs	775					
Printing	465					
Distribution	162					
Funding		1000				
Sponsorship		300				
	1402	1300	102	0	0	0
<u>Beacon Lighting</u>						
Cleaning beacon	25					
Piper Military Wives Choir	100					
Bugler	50					
Refreshments	65					
First Aid	100					
	340	0	340	0	0	0
<u>Street Party</u>						
Furniture hire	4420			5619		
PA equip and support	1501			1800		
Waste removal	350			370		
Portaloos	376			0		
Road closure	643			1480		
Road closure signs	400			0		
Site signs	120			0		
Insurance	295			300		
First aid	368			380		
Bands x 2	2000			1500		
Magician	250			250		
Theatre group	160			0		
Stilt walkers	300			0		
Flags	50			50		
Hire of Cross Barn	165			170		
Meals for Cadets	300			250		
Promotional design costs	100			150		
Staffing costs	750			600		
Lottery funding		6495			0	
Ticket sales (less commission) 2022 £30 per ticket (£25 plus VAT) 2023 £35 per ticket (£29.17 plus VAT)		4850			6000	
Donations and grants		80			1000	
	12548	11425	1123	12919	7000	5919
OPC 2023/24 budget			1565			5000
+/-						-919

**Odiham Parish Council**  
**Net Position by Cost Centre and Code**

**Cost Centre Name**

<b>1000 - General Account</b>		<b>Bal. B/Fwd.</b>	<b>Receipts</b>		<b>Payments</b>		<b>Current Balance</b>
<b>Code</b>	<b>Title</b>		<b>Budget</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budget</b>
1005	Staff Salaries				71,000.00		71,000.00
1010	Employers' NI				5,700.00		5,700.00
1015	Pension Contribution				15,300.00		15,300.00
1020	Travel				500.00		500.00
1025	Training				1,000.00		1,000.00
1030	Office Rental						
1035	Rates				5,650.00		5,650.00
1040	Telephone and internet				2,100.00		2,100.00
1045	Office Equipment				1,000.00		1,000.00
1050	IT Support and Back up		116.00		5,000.00		4,884.00
1055	Postage and consumables				1,000.00		1,000.00
1060	Accounts Package				1,325.00		1,325.00
1065	Bank Charges				400.00		400.00
1070	Audit Fees				1,500.00		1,500.00
1075	Professional Costs				4,000.00		4,000.00
1080	Subscriptions				2,500.00		2,500.00
1085	Insurance				7,000.00		7,000.00
1090	Election Expenses				1,500.00		1,500.00
1095	Civic Hospitality				350.00		350.00
1100	Caretaking Equipment				500.00		500.00
1500	Precept		212,071.00				-212,071.00
1505	VAT						
1510	Bank Interest		3,400.00				-3,400.00
1515	S106 Income						
1525	Other Income						
			<b>215,587.00</b>		<b>127,325.00</b>		<b>-88,262.00</b>

<b>2000 - Amenity Areas</b>		<b>Bal. B/Fwd.</b>	<b>Receipts</b>		<b>Payments</b>		<b>Current Balance</b>
<b>Code</b>	<b>Title</b>		<b>Budget</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budget</b>
2005	Chamberlain Gardens (SC				3,500.00		3,500.00
2010	Cemetery Maintenance				16,635.00		16,635.00
2015	Cemetery rates and water				3,900.00		3,900.00
2020	Cemetery electricity				400.00		400.00
2030	Memorial testing						
2035	Other amenity areas main				6,000.00		6,000.00
2040	Play Areas				7,000.00		7,000.00
2050	Allotments - maintenance				800.00		800.00
2055	Allotments - Water				250.00		250.00
2065	Tree works				4,500.00		4,500.00
2070	Bin emptying				6,000.00		6,000.00
2075	Benches and Noticeboard				500.00		500.00
2080	Basingstoke Canal				4,100.00		4,100.00
2085	Broad Oak Maintenance				500.00		500.00
2090	Commons Ranger				1,000.00		1,000.00
2095	Toilets - Maintenance						
2100	Toilets - Power and rates				1,200.00		1,200.00
2105	Toilets - cleaning				5,300.00		5,300.00
2110	Parish Room - power and						
2115	Parish room - maintenance				500.00		500.00
2120	Chapel Cottage Maintenan				500.00		500.00
2125	Estate Agent Fees				1,687.00		1,687.00
2135	Tree Survey				250.00		250.00
2140	Bus Shelter Maintenance				250.00		250.00
2150	The Bridewell - set up cos						
2155	The Bridewell - electricity				4,000.00		4,000.00
2160	The Bridewell - gas				4,100.00		4,100.00
2165	The Bridewell - water				200.00		200.00
2170	The Bridewell - cleaning &				6,500.00		6,500.00
2175	The Bridewell - waste disp				900.00		900.00
2180	The Bridewell - H&S check				1,450.00		1,450.00
2185	The Bridewell - maintenanc				2,500.00		2,500.00
2500	Chapel Cottage rent		17,940.00				-17,940.00
2505	Burial fees		12,000.00				-12,000.00
2510	Allotment rents		1,100.00				-1,100.00
2515	Allotment Deposits						
2520	Other income		100.00				-100.00
2525	The Bridewell - tenants' re		13,000.00				-13,000.00
2530	The Bridewell - general let		3,000.00				-3,000.00

Current Balance = Balance B/Fwd - (Receipt Budget - Actual Receipt) + (Payment Budget - Actual Payments)

**Odiham Parish Council**  
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**Cost Centre Name**

		47,140.00		84,422.00		37,282.00	
<b>3000 - Community</b>		<b>Receipts</b>		<b>Payments</b>		<b>Current Balance</b>	
<b>Code</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Bal. B/Fwd.</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budget</b>
3005	APA				250.00		250.00
3010	PR & Pub inc newsletter				3,500.00		3,500.00
3015	Community Grants				5,000.00		5,000.00
3016	G Rothery Grant						
3025	Citizens Advice				1,500.00		1,500.00
3026	Community Awards						
3030	Christmas Evening				2,500.00		2,500.00
3035	Christmas Trees and Light				900.00		900.00
3040	Carols in Bury						
3045	RAF Christmas Gifs				1,250.00		1,250.00
3050	Bi annual box cart race						
3055	Armed Forces Day				500.00		500.00
3060	VE Day						
3065	Remembrance				1,250.00		1,250.00
3070	Promotion of village				1,500.00		1,500.00
3075	Survey Subscriptions				330.00		330.00
3080	Odiham Book Exchange						
3085	Bands in the Bury				1,000.00		1,000.00
3090	Flavourfest				1,000.00		1,000.00
3095	Hanging Baskets						
3100	Spooktakula				1,000.00		1,000.00
3105	Queen's Platinum Jubilee						
3110	Coronation				5,000.00		5,000.00
3500	Community Income						
3505	Event Sponsorship Income		1,000.00				-1,000.00
			<b>1,000.00</b>		<b>26,480.00</b>		<b>25,480.00</b>
<b>4000 - Planning</b>		<b>Receipts</b>		<b>Payments</b>		<b>Current Balance</b>	
<b>Code</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Bal. B/Fwd.</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budget</b>
4010	NH Plan						
4015	NW and Odiham CA Appra						
4020	Neighbourhood Plan Upda				2,500.00		2,500.00
					<b>2,500.00</b>		<b>2,500.00</b>
<b>5000 - Traffic and Transport</b>		<b>Receipts</b>		<b>Payments</b>		<b>Current Balance</b>	
<b>Code</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Bal. B/Fwd.</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budget</b>
5000	Lighting - Maint and admir				4,300.00		4,300.00
5005	Lighting - energy costs				3,700.00		3,700.00
5015	Sustainable Transport						
5020	Village Gateway						
					<b>8,000.00</b>		<b>8,000.00</b>
<b>7000 - Earmarked Reserves</b>		<b>Receipts</b>		<b>Payments</b>		<b>Current Balance</b>	
<b>Code</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Bal. B/Fwd.</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budget</b>
7005	Office Rental						
7010	IT Support/Upgrade						
7015	Election Expenses						
7020	Website						
7025	Allotment Deposits						
7030	Chapel Cottage Deposit						
7035	Cemetery Maintenance						
7040	Amenity Equipment Repai						
7045	Chapel Building Maintenar						
7050	Chapel Cottage Maintenar						
7055	War Memorial Maintenanc						
7060	Play Area Replacement						
7065	Buften Field Play Area						
7070	Benches & Noticeboards						
7075	Parish Room Maintenance						

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**Cost Centre Name**

7080 Grounds Maintenance  
7085 Memorial Testing  
7090 Revaluation of Buildings  
7095 Footpaths Improvements  
7100 Development of Sustainab  
7105 G Rothery Bequest  
7110 Re-energising the High St  
7115 Conservation Area Charac  
7120 Increasing Biodiversity  
7125 Book Exchange  
7130 Insurance - EMR  
7135 Tree Survey - EMR  
7140 PR & Publicity - EMR  
7145 Subscriptions - EMR  
7150 The Bridewell  
7155 Community Grants  
7165 Public toilets R&M  
7170 Floral displays

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**8000 - Projects**

<u>Code</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Bal. B/Fwd.</u>	<u>Receipts</u>		<u>Payments</u>		<u>Current Balance</u>
			<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
7160	Platinum Jubilee						
8005	War Memorial						
8010	Parish Room						
8015	Play Area Replacement				3,000.00		3,000.00
8020	Supporting High Street						
8025	Climate Action Plan				2,000.00		2,000.00
8030	Burial plot provision						
8035	Bridewell works		5,000.00		10,000.00		5,000.00
8040	Benches				2,000.00		2,000.00
8050	Area of reflection				3,000.00		3,000.00
			<b>5,000.00</b>		<b>20,000.00</b>		<b>15,000.00</b>

**NET TOTAL****268,727.00****268,727.00**

