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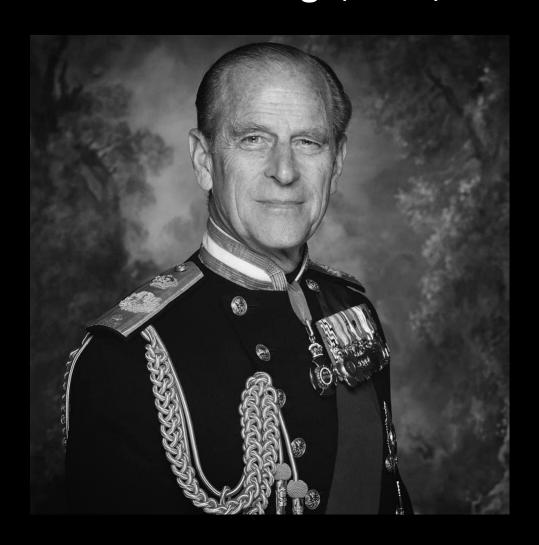
### **Annual Parish Assembly**

will be held via Zoom on

#### Tuesday 13th April 2021 6.30pm-8.30pm

All residents are invited to attend.

#### His Royal Highness The Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, K.G., K.T.



It was with great sadness that Odiham Parish Council learned of the death of His Royal Highness The Duke of Edinburgh. Odiham Parish Council extends its heartfelt condolences to Her Majesty The Queen and members of the Royal Family.

We remember with immense gratitude the lifetime of service which His Royal Highness devoted to Her Majesty, to our Nation and to the Commonwealth.

#### Chair's Welcome

#### Cllr Dr Angela McFarlane, Odiham Parish Council

- 1. Chair's welcome.
- 2. Signing of the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 19 March 2019.
- Presentation from a Hants Governor of South Central Ambulance Service (SCAS), Tony Nicholson, on SCAS services and their Covid response over the last year.
- 4. Council highlights of the year:
  - Update from the Planning & Development Committee Cllr Verdon
  - Update from the Traffic & Transport Committee Cllr Stewart
  - Update from the Amenity Areas Committee Cllr Raw
  - The future of the Bridewell Cllr McFarlane, Chair
- 5. Thank you to the Odiham & North Warnborough Community Cllr McFarlane, Chair.
- 6. Questions.



## Presentation from a Hants Governor of South Central Ambulance Service (SCAS), Tony Nicholson



#### What do we do?

Respond to emergency calls

(999 service)

Respond to non-emergency calls

(NHS 111 service)

- Non-emergency Patient Transport Services (PTS)
- Offer a range of commercial services:
  - Logistics
  - First Aid training
  - National Pandemic Flu Service
- Resilience and specialist operations







#### SCAS in numbers

4,058 STAFF



1036 COMMUNITY & CO-RESPONDERS



1.24 MILLION CALLS TO NHS 111



557,591 999 INCIDENTS



1185 VEHICLES



102 SITES



866,426 PTS JOURNEYS



POPULATION 7 MILLION





#### Join us!!

## getinvolved@scas.nhs.uk









#### Council Highlights of the Year

- Strong community support throughout Covid, including support for our High Street.
- Fantastic voluntary support Covid, Speedwatch, Book Exchange, litter picks, Christmas events.
- Adopted Strategic Plan starts to define strategic projects.
- £3,350 community grants awarded.
- Establishing new Odiham Book Exchange.









#### Council Highlights of the Year

- New website.
- Started work on developing a Village Centre Area Action Plan.
- Thank you to Mike Killick and welcome to Cllr Alex Fraser.
- Work to save The Bridewell (to be covered later in the meeting).







## Planning & Development Committee Cllr Pam Verdon

#### Last year

- Considered 204 planning applications in the parish (end of March).
  - Including applications for 3 Neighbourhood Plan housing sites Crownfields, land at Western Lane and land east of Hook Road.
- Considered 41 tree applications in the parish (end of March).
- Presentations from the developer of Dunleys Hill NP development site.
- Presentation from solar farm developer, Cholsey Farm. OPC objected to this application which is currently being considered by Hart DC.
- Responded to Government consultations including reforms of the planning system and permitted development rights.
- Conservation Area Character Appraisals updates are underway.
- Hart DC took ownership of the former Swan Public House.



## Planning & Development Committee Cllr Pam Verdon

#### Year ahead

- Community consultation on the updated draft, Conservation Area Character Appraisals.
- Works will start on the rural exception site on land adjacent to Roughs cottage.
- OPC due to consider planning application for the Crownfields NP housing site 21<sup>st</sup> April. Separately OPC will be researching options for area of land adjacent to Leapfrogs building.
- Hope to progress discussions on the future ownership and management of the Montford Place public open space land.
- Involved in the Shapley Heath Garden Village plans.



#### Neighbourhood Plan

#### Cllr Pam Verdon

- 2 Neighbourhood Plan Monitoring Group meetings.
- Annual Monitoring Report now published online <a href="https://odihamparishcouncil.gov.uk/council/planning/neighbourhood-plan">https://odihamparishcouncil.gov.uk/council/planning/neighbourhood-plan</a>
- Strong progress made on the Plan's delivery.
  - Land at Burford, Western Lane, Odiham Permission has been granted for 16 houses.
  - Land at Crumplins Yard site is very nearly completed.
  - Land at Dunleys Hill developer presented to the Planning Committee, housing and public open space
  - Land at Hook Road application for erection of 17 dwellings. Planning committee submitted a strong objection, decision to be determined.
  - Land next to Crownfields first application refused, second to be considered by Planning Committee 22<sup>nd</sup> April.



#### Traffic & Transport Committee

#### **Cllr David Stewart**

#### Last year

Listened to residents' concerns of speeding in parish



- Setting up a new Speedwatch group working closely with the Police.
- Volunteers signed up training to start soon.

- Local parking
  - Responded to Government consultation on pavement parking.
  - Supporting residents requests for disabled parking bay in The Bury.
  - Opposed early plans to implement parking charges at the Basingstoke Canal car park, Colt Hill.
  - Liaised with the Police on parking concerns in The Street and Hook Road.
  - Listened to residents on parking problems in Tunnel Lane and liaised with other authorities.
- Continued to part-fund street lighting.
- Campaigned for electric vehicle charging points in Odiham.
- Responded to residents' reports of signage, footpath and rights of ways issues.



## Traffic & Transport Committee Cllr David Stewart

#### Year ahead

- Speedwatch to start.
- Hoping to fund new signage in Tunnel Lane.
- Working with Hart DC to provide at least one electric vehicle charging point in Odiham and at the best location.
- Start researching Village Gateway scheme.
- Work with relevant authorities and Crownfields developer to research further improvements to tackle speeding on B3349.

## Amenity Areas Committee Cllr John Raw

#### Last year

- Maintained management of open spaces, allotments, play areas, cemetery and public toilets throughout Covid restrictions and lockdowns.
  - Managed the play areas in accordance with fast changing Covid regulations.
- Appointed new grounds contractor Larkstel Ltd.
- Repaired structure of War Memorial.







## Amenity Areas Committee Cllr John Raw

#### Last year

- Installed new footpaths from the Recreation Ground car park to the play areas.
- Replaced fencing in the Peace Garden and Cemetery.
- Arranged for Parish Room redecoration.
- Carried out several repairs to play areas and tree maintenance.
- Funded Ranger services for Odiham Common and Broad Oak Common.
- Re-let Chapel Cottage to secure important income for the Parish.
- Maintaining 2020 allotment and cemetery fees.







## Amenity Areas Committee Cllr John Raw

#### Year ahead

- Starting to look at previous condition reports on the Chapels and ways to make safe & improve.
- Budget provision made for damp proofing work in King St public toilets.
- Researching the best use of the meadow, land part of Odiham Cemetery.
- Researching grant funding for the second phase of renovating the War Memorial.
- A new defibrillator at the Recreation Ground.
- A new management plan for woodland at The Firs.
- How can OPC respond to Climate Change and increase biodiversity through the management of its open spaces?
- Helping to Keep Britain Tidy, in partnership with the Community Committee.



#### The Future of The Bridewell?

Cllr Dr Angela McFarlane





#### The Bridewell - Background

- An asset of community value owned by Hampshire County Council (HCC).
- Until 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020 it housed the Odiham branch of HCC library service. This has now closed.
- OPC, supported by a community working group, is leading a project to open a Community Book Exchange in its place. The working group, and the 30 volunteers, want to open the Book Exchange in the former library space.
- HCC proposes to gift The Bridewell freehold to OPC for the cost of £1 with an option to bid for a
  grant of £10k towards the backlog of repairs.
- OPC has to decide whether or not to accept the building?
- OPC will need to seek grant funding from other sources to improve the building and create a community hub.
- If OPC do not take on the Bridewell, HCC intend to dispose of the building.
- OPC's lease expires in 2025 and OPC would need to negotiate a new lease or move.
- In order to manage the Bridewell at no additional cost to the community via the Precept it would be necessary to generate additional income from the building.



#### Questions to the community Current SurveyMonkey ending 16<sup>th</sup> April

- 1. On a scale of 1-5, where 1 is not important and 5 is very important, how important do you think it is for the Bridewell to remain as a community asset?
- 2. Would you support the decision to take on the Bridewell if it resulted in an increase of 5% approximately 50p a month for a Band D house in the Precept (the portion of the Council Tax that goes to the Parish Council)? Y/N
- 3. Would you support the decision to take on the Bridewell only if it was cost neutral to the Parish Council? Y/N
- 4. Would you be prepared to join a 'Friends' scheme to support the Book Exchange to ensure it could provide books for the community and run a programme to encourage literacy and support IT literacy? Y/N
- 5. If yes, would you consider a subscription of a minimum of £2 per month less than the price of one cup of coffee? Y/N
- 6. Any other comments:



#### The Bridewell - Decision

- The results of the online SurveyMonkey will be reviewed in time for the next full Council meeting 20<sup>th</sup> April.
- The full Council meeting on 20<sup>th</sup> April will include a full debate and vote on how OPC should proceed.
- The HCC grant closing date is 11<sup>th</sup> May.



# Thank you! to the Odiham & North Warnborough Community





## Sue Williams

## Becci Friend

## Jim and Amanda Coomber

## Derek Spruce

## Dave Harper

## Sally Tunstell

## Elizabeth Wallace

#### Questions

- Can the OPC please confirm it is their intention to adopt the open space at Montfort Place?
- When will the draft revisions conservation area character assessment be available for public viewing?
- What are OPC's plans for The Firs? the site is overgrown, unmanaged and posing a risk to road users.

