



MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SOUTH WONSTON PARISH COUNCIL

Held on Monday 9th June 2025 at 7.30PM

To be held at South Wonston Sports & Recreation Pavilion

Present: Chair Perrins, Cllrs Peal, Berry and Hussain, City Councillor Godfrey, City Councillor Horrill, County Councillor Warwick and & Clerk Mrs R Jones.

25/039 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Lt Col Janet Johnston, Cllrs Street & Jordan.

25/040 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

No interests to be declared.

The Chair suspended Standing Orders.

25/041 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A number of residents attended the meeting to observe and listen to what was being discussed at the meeting.

The defibrillators in the village are being regularly checked by a volunteer. The current use of the one on the pavilion wall has highlighted the importance of having them being regularly checked. Once a defibrillator has been reported out of action, Clerk needs to correspond and work with the volunteer to ensure everyone is clear on the progress until it is working again. Clerk also needs to arrange to put a post on Facebook notifying that the defibrillator at the pavilion is currently out of action

25/042 REPORTS FROM LOCAL COUNCILLORS, MOD and POLICE

Cllr Godfrey gave an update from Winchester City Council which

included:-

- Small project fund is open to a max of £2K;
- Local Plan enquiry has now finished but unsure what issues the Inspector will raise;
- Funding has been approved by a Cllr that land is to be purchased by junction 7 of the M3 to build a new hospital. To start in 12 years;
- Contacted Anaerobic Digester company re Parish Council visit. Littleton is getting smells from it in the village;
- City Council assets will transfer to a new authority. Any Parish who may wish to take on an asset can write to the City Council and request a transfer of the asset e.g. purchase grass cutting within the village;
- There have been a number of complaints about the caravan on the land on Alresford Drove. The landowner will be reminded of what is allowed.

Lt Col Janet Johnston was unable to attend and had no updates

DEVOLUTION & REORGANISATION

Information from Winchester City Council – Note From The Leader Cllr Martin Todd

In terms of the issues raised by Hampshire/Solent leaders:

- They've not agreed an extension date
- They've not confirmed that the Island can be treated separately as an 'exceptional circumstance': the full case will need to be made in any final submission
- They've outlined a simplified process for boundary changes to districts - while also making it clear that a 'strong justification' will be needed
- They've asked for more information on the financial and service challenges faced across the Hampshire/Solent area

They've also made it clear that 'each council can submit a single proposal for which there must be a clear single option and geography and, as set out in the guidance, we expect this to be for the area as a whole' - which has interesting implications for the submissions that will come forward from the Hampshire/Solent area.

As a reminder, you can find our submission
at www.winchester.gov.uk/devolution-and-local-government-reorganisation.

We are very happy to answer any questions you may have, please raise them with your ward councillor or send them to LGR@winchester.gov.uk

HCC Local Government Reorganisation – securing a strong future for Hampshire and the Solent. This is the link to the page with the latest updates on the Devolution and LGR process underway across Hampshire and the Isle of Wight.

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/News/20250513LGRstrongfuture>

The Chair resumed Standing Orders

25/043 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 12th MAY 2025. THE MOST RECENT MINUTES ARE DRAFT UNTIL SIGNED AT THE NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING:

It was RESOLVED to approve the minutes as a true record of the meeting following minor amendments.

25/044 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 12th MAY 2025

None

25/045 VACANCY & CO-OPTION

Clerk received an email from an interested resident who couldn't attend the meeting. Another resident attended the meeting to see what the Parish Council does.

To be noted

25/046 FINANCE

- Recent Transactions

A spreadsheet of recent transactions was provided for all Members.

It was RESOLVED to approve the transactions. All aspects of

social and environmental values have been considered. A copy is appended to these minutes.

- Account Reconciliations

The balances were noted and reconciliations to be signed by the Chair, to confirm the Council's monitoring role.

The Bank Balances as at 30th April 2025 were:

Co-op Deposit Account 7	£120,243.59
Lloyds Account 10	£100,182.83
Total =	£220,426.42

To be noted

- Financial Regulations Policy

Cllr Peal explained the minor amendment to the policy regarding procurement

5.4 – The presence of the procurement act 2023 & Act 2024

5.7 – Over £30K including VAT the council must comply with..... 2024

Added - 5.21. Any ordering system can be misused and access to them shall be controlled by [the RFO.

5) Procurement **p8** 5.4 and 5.7 in the 2024 Financial Regulations to 5) Procurement 5.4 and 5.7 in the 2025 Financial Regulations.

It was RESOLVED to approve the changes

- Year End

a) Annual Governance (AGAR) 2024/25 – to approve and send to External

To receive at the meeting the annual governance. Note where the parish council need to mark NO

It was RESOLVED to approve the Annual Governance report

b) Annual Return (AGAR) 2024/25

To receive at the meeting the annual income and expenditure return

It was RESOLVED to approve the Annual Return

c) Exercise of Public Rights Dates

To note the dates that Clerk has suggested with Cllrs and post online

It was RESOLVED to approve the Public Rights Dates

d) Receive Annual Internal Audit

To receive at the meeting the annual internal audit and note comments

To note the internal audit**e) Conflict of Interest Return**

To record at the meeting if there is any conflict of interest before emailing the return to the external auditor

It was RESOLVED to approve the Conflict of Interest return

f) Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Annual Report

To receive the annual report

It was RESOLVED to approve the annual CIL report

g) Final Year End Budget Monitoring to 31.3.25

To receive an updated position following the agreement to use CIL monies

It was RESOLVED to approve the budget monitoring

25/047 PLANNING**- Applications to be considered.**

Reference	25/01057/TPO
Alternative Reference	PP-14043801
Application Received	Fri 23 May 2025
Application Validated	Tue 27 May 2025
Address	29 Waverley Drive South Wonston Winchester
Proposal	T1 & 2 Cherry reduce canopy height by 1m and T3 apple tree reduce and reshape by 0.5m As general management of trees and to keep trees in scale with small garden, trees post date development so probably not part of original TPO.
Inspected By	Cllr June Perrins
Comment	No Comment
Reference	25/01079/TPO

Alternative Reference	PP-14053875
Application Received	Wed 28 May 2025
Application Validated	Wed 28 May 2025
Address	Penrhyn 129 Downs Road South Wonston Winchester Hamp
Proposal	T21 Beech - Crown reduction (same as works requested on previous applications ? 16/02938/TPO & 21/01919/TPO). Reduce by 2m to give 17m finished height and finished crown spread to the south 7.2m, West Side 5m , East 5m
Inspected By	Cllr June Perrins
Comment	No Comment

Reference	25/01080/TPO
Alternative Reference	PP-14053958
Application Received	Wed 28 May 2025
Application Validated	Wed 28 May 2025
Address	Quorum 127 Downs Road South Wonston Win
Proposal	T29 Beech - Crown reduction (same as works requested on previous applications ? (13/02344/TPO & 21/01917/TPO). Looking at the previous reduction points under the former approvals I would say that the perimeter reduction will again be approx 2m although this will vary relative to the shape of the tree but would not be greater and the height reduction about 2.5m. Management necessary due to proximity of tree to dwelling /drive of 127
Inspected By	Cllr June Perrins
Comment	No Comment

Reference	25/00938/HOU
Alternative Reference	PP-14000275
Application Received	Wed 07 May 2025
Application Validated	Wed 07 May 2025

Address	26 Downs Road South Wonston Winchester Hampshire SO
Proposal	Single storey side extension, roof alterations including 1no. front dormer, elevational alterations including rendering entire dwelling and front porch canopy (Revised scheme to previously approved 24/00080/HOU).
Inspected By	Cllr June Perrins
Comment	See Below

The revision seems to relate to an amendment to the previous planning application 24/00080/HOU concerning three TPO's which need to be protected whilst building work is carried out to build the new extension. A detailed report and overview of the work needed to protect the trees has been carried out and therefore we see no objection to the application going forward.

- Decisions by WCC

Reference	25/00600/LDP
Alternative Reference	PP-13873847
Application Received	Thu 20 Mar 2025
Application Validated	Thu 20 Mar 2025
Address	11 Green Close South Wonston Winchester Ham
Proposal	The conservatory built in 2004 has a tinted glass r compliant with both Building Regulations and the l replaced to comply with updated safety, security a apex. Roof Installation Erect scaffolding platform around roof perimeter. Erect New UltraROOF structure.
Inspected By	Cllr June Perrins
Status	Decided Lawful Development Certificate – Permit

To be noted

- Enforcements Open

An update on the open cases has been received for June which was shared with Councillors. 25/00101 alleged unauthorised garage conversion removed & 25/00139/CARAVAN alleged unauthorised caravan has been added

To be noted

- Local Plan

UPDATE RECEIVED FROM CLLR PEAL JUNE 2025

The examination continues and documents are still being loaded on to the Local Plan website.

A reminder that on 7th May Southern Water's letter regarding progress with the water treatment works at Sutton Scotney and a plan of the construction route from Sutton Scotney to South Wonston was made available. The new rising main's termination at South Wonston is clearly indicated, suggesting that the remainder of the route to Harestock Waste Water Treatment Works will be via Worthy Down's existing system. Southern Water states that work on the upgrade of Waste Water Treatment Works at Saddlers Close and Gratton Close to new environmental standards and to prevent pollution spills should be completed in May 2025. The second project to upgrade the receiving sewer network at Harestock will apparently be delivered early in the next Water Industry Financial Plan Period 2025-2030, allowing planned growth and new drainage connections from existing Sutton Scotney properties to be achieved. The Brightlands (SU01) allocation in Sutton Scotney, listed for 50-60 houses, may end up with 120 if a potential developer is to be believed. Land at West Hill Rd North (SW01) allocation at South Wonston is listed for 40 homes but may be seen as having scope for more. Completion of both allocations is dependant on delivery of both waste water infrastructure upgrade schemes by 2030 when these green field sites become open to planning applications, unless the combination of earlier delivery, eager developers and scrapping phasing (see below) results in building out sooner rather than later. We have to hope the upgrades will be sufficient.

On 19th May, Winchester City Council (WCC) published a statement regarding Policy H4 (development within settlements) to which South Wonston is linked on the Policy Map. The Local Plan has moved our settlement boundary to include Land adjacent to Chaucer Close and Land at West Hill Rd North. WCC defended the soundness of H4, refuting the suggestion that it might restrict housing development in some types of settlements.

On 20th May it was revealed that there were no further amendments for SW01 in the Local Plan for South Wonston. The amendment to criterion xii (to contribute to physical and social infrastructure) remains.

On 6th June WCC replied to the Inspector's query about changing the start date of the Local Plan (2020). Start dates from 2020, 2022 and 2023 have implications for the housing trajectory (Policy H2 phasing), the provision of a five-year housing land supply, the unmet housing need allowance (already agreed) and the short-term supply of nutrient mitigation (nitrates and phosphorous). WCC feels the start date of 2020 and the retention of Policy H2 is justified. If it were deleted, and the housing supply numbers not amended, there would be only 2.2 years

supply of nutrient mitigation for nitrogen in the River Test and 2.6 years for phosphorous in the River Itchen therefore the number of planning applications coming forward before 2030 could not be permitted or implemented if there was a shortfall in available nutrient mitigation of which there is only a finite supply. (Developers purchase off-site credits through Natural England's Discretionary Advice Service).

There is also an issue regarding the capacity of the electricity grid before 2030.

WCC states its willingness to give further consideration to a Main Modification to delete H2 in order to get the Local Plan adopted. If the Inspector were to agree, modifications would have to be made to individual site allocation policies including SW01 (Land at West Hill Rd North) and SU01 (Brightlands) and the housing trajectory would need to be updated accordingly. Loss of phasing would imply imminent applications which theoretically should be delayed by a limited supply of nutrient mitigation schemes and the additional complication of potentially incomplete or inadequate sewage provision and raising the spectre of failure to complete housing targets.

To be noted

Cllr Horrill gave an update from Winchester City Council which included:-

- Local Plan significant changes. Moving to 13-month plan for the next stage. No sites added at this stage but will be at the end of this year. With the new system there will be less public consultation and process will be shorter;
- LGR: there is a desire from the Town Forum for Winchester City to be divided into Parishes e.g. Harestock would become part of the city by being split off from Littleton;
- Littleton PC have raised their concerns about a smell coming from the Anaerobic Digester. Littleton PC are not happy with the proposed Traffic Management scheme.

Cllr Warwick gave an update from Hampshire County Council which included:-

- Skills Boot Camp – people not in education or work are given training;
- Connect to Support website; finding services has been revamped and supported by HCC;
- All 15 Councils across Hampshire are looking at their own options on how best to make up the new authorities;
- Nature Recovery Strategy about how to recover nature;

Cllr Perrins asked if more bollards can be added along the ditch line on Alresford Drive. Cllr Warwick will ask Highways if this can be actioned.

- Village Design Statement

A survey has been distributed to all residents in South Wonston via the May edition of the West Dever News. Cllr Perrins gave an update on the results. The main points were:-

- residents didn't want to see the village boundary moved;
- memorial garden;
- allotments (with running water)

Cllr Peal explained that the next stage is to create a steering group. Cllrs Peal, Perrins & Jordan agreed to the group and to do a tour of the built-up area. Discussions with the village will be held in the Autumn and the Strategic Planning Team at WCC need to be told that the VDS is being updated.

To be noted

25/048 SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY ORCHARD & ALLOTMENTS

- Land to the East of the Pavilion

Cllr June Perrins gave an update on right to contest; whereby the Rights to Contest team are talking to DIO. They have replied to say they have spoken with contacts in the Defence Infrastructure Organisation, who are responsible for MOD property, asking whether a transfer of this parcel of land might be considered. A follow up email has been sent by Cllr Perrins.

To be noted

- to receive an update from the Sustainability Working Party; see the below minutes of the meeting

SOUTH WONSTON SUSTAINABILITY COORDINATION TEAM MEETING

7.30pm – 9.00pm, 2nd June 2025, The Pavilion

MINUTES

Apologies for absence – Phil Oram, Sonia Roper, Neil Roper, Vibeke Fennell, Stuart Mills.

Attendees: Nickey Turner, John Cooper, Lillie Holmes, Stephen Godfrey
Agree minutes from previous meetings – agreed.

Parish Council – Update and briefings

- Questions for Sustainability Survey – Survey topics must be deliverable. Should we review G Drive survey results to ensure questions remain relevant. **Stephen** to review previous responses and then propose questions.

- PC Survey results to Sustainability Group
- Swift Box Caller – is it on?
- Baby and Toddler Group activity – compost cost – upto £30?

Review recent events

- . Repair Café – Good response, with more walk-ins than normal. 10 volunteers – 7-10 “customers”. PAT Testing equipment acquired and used.
- . Plant and Seed Sale – Successful although donations were late in arriving. £700 raised for two charities. If joint event again, advertising needs to make this clear.
- . Parish Assembly – Stephen gave overview of activity over last year.

Forthcoming events

- . Repair Café – 5th July and 27th September. Back to morning meetings. Promote on Facebook, website and WDN. Poster needs times amending – **Sonia/Lillie**. Relationship with WI is developing. Tool sharpening at September event.
- . SW School Family Day – 21st June – **Stephen** to check Neil available for Thermal Imaging Camera demos. **John** to prepare Repair Café display. Do we need a table.
- . SW Music Event – 2nd August. Reusable cups/glasses.? Plant-based options? Take waste home message. Minimise car usage and use bus? Advertise on website.

Sub-Group Updates

- Travel – Bus usage needs to be promoted.
- Circular economy
- Energy
- Food Group – Baby and toddler activity on 11th June with compost! Cost of c£30 from PC?

Communications

- Monthly Newsletter
- Website/Social Media
- West Dever News items
- Lets Go Zero at school is going forward. Climate Action Plan to be developed this year by school. Nickey and Vibeke to meet Jen Gales from LGZ on 10th June. What the group can do to support the school and parents to emerge over coming months.
- Six Inches of Soil film – Nickey watched this Hampshire Garden Farms film to raise awareness of soil. Many case studies of soil protection. Can the Group use these ideas.

Date of next meeting – 7th July 2025, 7.30pm in South Wonston Pavilion.

Sustainability Catch up meeting – Cllr Stephen & Rachael Jones

1. Village Survey- currently being written by the sustainability group.
2. First Aid Training with Community First – John Cooper organising
3. Biodiversity – Looking for a lead
4. Repair Café – Bookings down but walk in's up. Next one 5/7/25 followed by knife sharpening in September.
5. Attending School Fun Day 21.6.25 – Live demonstration of the thermal imaging camera. Repair Café & Sustainability poster
6. Let's Go Zero organisation working with South Wonston school & Nicky Turner
7. Baby & Toddler Group – activity with compost on 11.6.25
8. Party in the Park – 2.8.25
9. Plant Giving Event – raised over £700 for charities
10. Sunday Bus Service – still running but now has a cost attached of £3.
11. Annual Report – Stephen to email

- Air Quality

Cllr Sam Jordan was unable to attend the meeting but said that a Teams meeting needs to take place to discuss options.

To be noted

25/049 PAVILION & RECREATION

PAVILION AND RECREATION GROUND MANAGEMENT
MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PAVILION AND RECREATION
GROUND COMMITTEE WEDNESDAY 4th JUNE 2025
PRESENT

Chair Cllr Perrins, Cllrs Peal and Hussain and Clerk Mrs R. Jones.
APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
Cllr Street.

PAVILION AND RECREATION GROUND MANAGEMENT
Chair Cllr Perrins and Cllrs Peal and Hussain undertook a tour of the Pavilion and a look at the decaying and potentially dangerous picket fence which would need a disclaimer sign. The equipment in the Plant Room for the ground source heating, grey water and solar panels and the financial benefit from Of Gem on receipt of readings was explained to Cllr Hussain. The Garage was found to be still overcrowded but items for removal had been marked with red and white tape and Mr D. Jones was due to sort out spare tiles and scrap metal. Tiles were missing from parts of the roof. The Football Stores 1 and 2 were tidy. The Away

Changing Room had a gritty floor and dirty showers. The Home Changing Room was similar with the addition of unclean toilets and the presence of a large red holdall with nets and goal posts. The Referee's Changing Room needed a good clean, removal of spider webs and provision of new soap. Clerk reported that due to regular use the kitchen was presentable but the dishwasher was unsatisfactory, apparently having no short cycle.

Members agreed that the caretaker/handyman should be more diligent and, to assist him, a deep cleaning firm should be employed. A suitable firm would be researched by Clerk and Cllr Peal.

The Chair offered to get new additional keys cut for the Plant Room and Garage. New fobs were given to members and would be given to hirers. Clerk reported that the drinking fountain was leaking from the base but the source of the leak was unclear. The manufacturer was to phone Clerk back on the day of the meeting. It was thought good to contact the installer, Mr S. Tilley, as well. The manufacturer did not offer installation. Mr Tilley had already replaced a number of poor-quality connections. Two previous leaks had occurred from within the fountain. It was known not to be frost-proof, but frost was obviously not an issue at this time. Clerk had contacted Mr R. Watts about painting inside the Pavilion. Mr J. Taylor had been pursued by Clerk for a second quote to replace the picket fence as the first had been thought too expensive. The work was required to be completed by the end of July at the latest. The new quote came in at £2,475.00 plus VAT for a soft wood version suitably treated and painted. Members found this expensive as well. Cllr Hussain volunteered to research two further quotes and attend meetings with the suppliers with Clerk. He proposed that a new fence should bear a plaque recording the supplier. Members agreed to approve £2,475.00 plus VAT as a cap for future quotes.

FINANCE

Swifts Football Team had sent an email reporting an approach from another men's Sunday team inquiring about hiring the South Wonston's large pitch as their home ground for one season. South Wonston was not the only subject of their inquiries. Clerk suggested that the new team should pay the same amount as Swifts: £55.00 per match for the coming season. Members agreed that conditions should be drawn up if this was to work. Swifts would be responsible for liaising with the other team, deciding whether the pitch was fit for play, setting up of goals and pitch marking.

It was noted that Swifts' latest invoice showed that thirteen, not twelve as in the old scheme, games had been played at £55.00 per match, about the same as last season.

Clerk confirmed that she was about to send an invoice to Mrs M. Baldwin for the Gardening Club memorial bench.

DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, 9th July 2025 at 10.30 am.

To be noted

25/050 HIGHWAYS & TRANSPORT

- To receive updates from City Council Warwick and Councillors

M3 junction 9 improvements project

Updates shared with the PC and put on Facebook

To be noted

- **Speed Detection Unit**

Cllr John Berry gave an update on the positioning of the SDU's and recording of data. Cllr Zac Hussain said he would look at extracting the data into charts. We should consider what we would like from the data. Clerk to call the company.

To be noted**25/051 GENERAL AMENITIES**

- **Party In The Park - South Wonston Music Event**

Saturday 2nd August from 2.30pm. Clerk, Cllr Hussain, Pete Hotston and Greg Talt have met and come up with a plan for the day. Clerk gave a verbal update at the Parish Council meeting

To be noted**25/052 COMMUNITY UPDATES - CORRESPONDENCE, WEBSITE UPDATES & FACEBOOK UPDATE**

Residents to be reminded that correspondences should go via Clerk so they can be recorded and shown in the log below

- **Correspondences were received from:-**

12/5/25 – A resident of South Wonston – To look after SDU's
 14/5/25 – (X3) A resident of South Wonston – Pilates class change over timing
 16/5/25 – A resident of South Wonston – Stavedown Road Pavement
 16/5/25 – A resident of South Wonston – VDS Survey
 17/5/25 – A resident of South Wonston – Street Light Turn Off Time
 19/5/25 – A resident of South Wonston – Coffee & Cake Van – starting Sept
 21/5/25 – A resident of South Wonston – Noisy Drain

9/6/25 – A resident of South Wonston – Alresford Road Ditch

To be noted

- Newsletter

It was agreed that a newsletter would support further engagement with the residents

To be noted

- Website & Social Media Update

The website continues to be updated. Focus over the summer will be to work with the web provider and develop an “Our Village” page to support the posters/stories posted on Facebook

- Social Media Update

Social media management for May. Created 23 pieces of content, 30 posts, 38 stories.

Clerk has written to Greg to see what else can be done to encourage engagement from the residents.

To be noted

25/053 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The Parish Council meeting will be held on **Monday 21th July 2025** at 7.30pm at the South Wonston

The meeting closed at 9.42pm