

**MINUTES OF BRIGHSTONE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT BRIGHSTONE  
METHODIST CHURCH ON WEDNESDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2021 AT 7.30PM.**

**PRESENT:** Cllr J Cirrone (Chairman), Cllr C Bridges, Cllr N Maclellan, Cllr D Alldred,  
Cllr N Stuart and Cllr S Hastings (Ward Cllr)  
Mrs Joy Walker (clerk)

Fourteen members of the public were present.

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.**

Cllr P Adams and Cllr R Haviland

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.**

None declared.

**3. MINUTES.**

The Minutes of the Full Council Meeting of the 10<sup>th</sup> November 2021 having been previously circulated and read were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

**4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION, ON GENERAL MATTERS, AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIRMAN.**

None.

**5. CLERK'S REPORT AND UPDATES.**

**Atherfield Bay**

The Environment Agency have been contacted regarding the burning of waste at the site. An Officer will visit the site to investigate this and other issues received from residents. Any photographic evidence sent to them would be appreciated.

**Electric Vehicle Charging Points**

No further details have been received to date. It is proposed this will be an agenda item at the next West Wight Town & Parish Councils meeting in January to which Cllr Medland has been invited.

**Speed Watch**

The mobile Speed Gun has been ordered.

**Environment Agency Cost**

The Parish Council have been informed of an increase in annual charge for the services of the Environment Officer Service. For the next financial year 2022-23 the charge will increase to £521 including this year's RPI 3.5%. They were contacted to clarify what services they offer. A copy of the list of services they provide has been attached.

**Internet Banking**

A complaint lodged with Lloyds Bank regarding the Internet Banking access has been upheld. They have agreed the incorrect form was given by the local branch, told incorrect information and a call back didn't happen as promised. They have awarded £75 in compensation.

**Play Area Hedge**

The contractor has been contacted regarding the number of trees that have died. He expected some normal loss but agreed this is a larger number than usual. He will go and inspect the hedge and report back.

## **6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.**

**20/01281/FUL Section of Military Road, Brighstone.** Stabilisation works to road, to include installation of piled wall (revised description) (further information received – revised Environmental Statement) (readvertised application). The revised application now proposed a barrier rather than the original proposed bridge. Councillors agreed to support the proposed barrier as a temporary measure with a view that talks with the National Trust to re-route the road further inland should be seen as a priority. Support.

**21/02262/LBC Gillmans, Upper Lane, Brighstone.** Listed Building Consent for proposed re-thatch on north elevation of main house and renew ridge. No Objections

**21/02264/HOU Gillmans, Upper Lane, Brighstone.** Rebuild of central chimney. No Objections

**21/02262/LBC Gillmans, Upper Lane, Brighstone.** Listed Building Consent for rebuild of central brick chimney. The owners were commended for observing the Listed Building status of the property. No Objections

## **7. TO RECEIVE PLANNING DECISIONS.**

**21/01867/FUL Sea View & Caravan at Chine Farm, Military Road, Brighstone.** Demolition of existing property and removal of caravan; proposed two replacement dwellings (revised scheme). GRANTED.

**21/01851/HOU 1 Berry Barn Court, New Road, Brighstone.** Proposed additional dormer window on south east elevation. GRANTED.

**21/01852/LBC 1 Berry Barn Court, New Road, Brighstone.** Listed Building Consent for proposed additional dormer window on south east elevation. GRANTED.

**21/01976/FUL Ever Garden, Warnes Lane, Brighstone.** Proposed conversion of first floor to owners accommodation; alterations to existing shed to provide additional facilities. GRANTED

**21/01977/LBC Ever Garden, Warnes Lane, Brighstone.** Listed Building Consent for alterations in connection with conversion of first floor to owners accommodation; alterations to existing shed to provide additional facilities. GRANTED.

A representative from Vectis Housing, present at the meeting, explained low cost housing for rent and sale under shared ownership would be available at the end of 2022 / early 2023. The over 55 criteria applied to the sheltered housing would not apply to the affordable housing. These properties would be marketed locally and intended to go to people with a local connection. A presentation event would be held in September / October to discuss the options available. An item would be put in the Newsletter inviting people to pre-register their interest in a property. The Parish Council stressed the need for social and low cost housing in the area. Initial consideration should be given to the local Parish before offering to other areas. A copy of the Housing Needs Survey would be sent to Vectis Housing.

## **8. TO NOTE DATE OF POSSIBLE MID-MONTH PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING:**

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December, to start at 7.30pm.

## **9. TO DISCUSS THE POSSIBLE NEW WEBSITE PROVIDER AND ADMINISTRATOR.**

The webgroup had drafted a job specification for a potential new website supplier and collated a list of potential suppliers which had been prior circulated to Councillors. It was agreed to obtain quotes for either administering the website with it remaining hosted by IONOS or hosting and administering the website.

Proposed: Cllr D Alldred

Seconded: Cllr S Hastings

All Councillors agreed

**10. TO DISCUSS ANY UPDATE RECEIVED REGARDING THE POSSIBLE RE-EMERGENCE OF TT ROAD RACES EVENTS.**

Letters had been sent to the IoW Council and Chairman of SAG requesting a meeting and also asking for answers to legal questions. The IoW Council had replied. They would not be discussing it further since there were questions that the application may not be valid. No reply had been received from SAG regarding the legal questions. They would be contacted again.

There appeared to be many unanswered questions with the IoW Council unsure of how to go forward with the application.

**11. TO DISCUSS THE REINSTATEMENT OF THE RECREATION GROUND COMMITTEE AND UPDATE ON THE POSSIBILITY OF THE TENNIS CLUB LEASE AND COSTS INCURRED.**

The Recreation Ground Committee had been reinstated with eight new members. Along with two Parish Council representatives the Committee would consist of one representative from Wight Eagles FC, one representative from the Tennis Club and the remainder local village residents. More members of the local community may be asked to join at a later date.

Following discussion Councillors resolved to contact the Charity Commission to terminate the existing lease and bring forward a new lease. The inclusion of a possible Covenant in the title deed to protect the Recreation Ground for recreational use only would be looked at. A lease could be given to the Recreation Ground Committee who could then sublease to the Tennis Club.

Legal costs of £1500 had so far been incurred by the Parish Council regarding the Tennis Club. The Tennis Club would come to an agreement on costs after seeing the invoice.

**12. TO DISCUSS AND AGREE THE REQUEST BY WIGHT EAGLES FC FOR A 10 YEAR AGREEMENT FOR USE OF THE RECREATION GROUND AND PAVILION.**

This was linked to agenda item 11 where the Charity Commission would be contacted regarding the lease on the Recreation Ground. Wight Eagles would like an agreement as soon as possible.

**13. TO DISCUSS THE BUDGET 2022/23 (SECOND DRAFT).**

A Councillor commented that the website expenditure may increase with a possible new provider. A revised draft of the budget would be brought back to the next Parish Council meeting when quotes for the website had been received.

**14. TO DISCUSS THE PARKING ISSUES IN THE VILLAGE**

Parking is gradually becoming worse with vehicles parked outside the shops and pub for several hours at a time. Councillors resolved to contact the IoW Council asking for the Village centre to be a restricted parking zone limiting parking to 45 minutes with no return for 2 hours. Cllr Cirrone would approach the developer at Blanchards raising concerns regarding the number of contractor vehicles parked on Main Road. A resident made the suggestion that anyone who has their drive free could offer longer stay parking eg. a teacher at the school. This idea would be put in the next Newsletter.

**15. TO DISCUSS THE REQUEST FROM THE READING ROOM FOR POSSIBLE FUNDING.**

The Snooker Club were asking for the money. The Trustees of the Reading Room had received a Covid grant of £10,000. They would be asked how they were using this money and if they should not be supporting groups from within the Reading Room.

**16. TO DISCUSS AN APPLICATION FOR FUNDING FROM WEST WIGHT TIME BANK (WWTB) / ACTION 4 SUPPORT.**

The Parish Council generally only aim grant funding at local groups. WWTB had already received a large sum of money in grant funding and extra funding also available from Action 4 Support. It was considered this is where funding should be applied for.

**17. TO RECEIVE I W COUNCILLOR'S REPORT.**

The report had been distributed prior to the start of the meeting.

**18. RISK ASSESSMENT CHECKS FOR DECEMBER.**

Southern Water requirements at the toilets and Pavilion had been completed.

**19. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT:**

Ch No.	To	Description	Net	VAT	Gross
bp	Island Cleaning Solutions	Toilet Cleaning November 2021	301.17	60.23	361.40
bp	Mrs J Walker	Salary November 2021	947.92	0.00	947.92
bp	Mrs J Walker	Reimburse Speed Gun & Batteries	186.40	0.00	186.40
bp	Ringway Island Roads	Dog Bin Emptying	174.90	34.98	209.88
2127	Roach Pittis Solicitors	Legal Fees	4500.00	900.00	5400.00
bp	Focus Plunbing & Heating	Southern Water work to Toilets & Pavilion	1007.22	201.44	1208.66
bp	Mrs J Walker	Reimburse Christmas Tree Lights	56.00	0.00	56.00
2125	Isle of Wight Council	Election Costs	1218.76	0.00	1218.76
2126	Waytes Court Farm	Cutting Hedge & Ditch on Rec Ground	120.00	24.00	144.00
dd	SSE Southern Electric	Electric Pavilion	5.25	0.00	5.25
dd	Biffa	Waste Collection Play Area November	2.00	0.40	2.40
dd	Pension payment	Mrs J Walker	35.84	0.00	35.84
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>8555.46</b>	<b>1221.05</b>	<b>9776.51</b>
Library					
dd	Biffa	Green Waste Collection Library	6.00	1.20	7.20
26	The Brighstone Newsletter	Newsletter Donation	100.00	0.00	100.00
bp	Wight Fire &Security	Fire Extinguisher Service	67.90	13.58	81.48
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>173.90</b>	<b>14.78</b>	<b>188.68</b>

Proposed: Cllr D Alldred

Seconded: Cllr N Maclennan

All Councillors agreed.

Councillors agreed to pay the invoice for the Christmas tree if presented before the next Parish Council meeting.

**20. TO RECEIVE FINANCIAL STATEMENT TO 30<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2021.**

The Financial Statement had been prepared and circulated to the Parish Councillors prior to the meeting. There were no issues arising.

**21. TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES.**

- Speed Watch: trying to put together a speed watch team of volunteers.

**22. CORRESPONDENCE:**

None received.

**23. OTHER MATTERS MEMBERS MAY WISH TO RAISE.**

Several residents from Brook had requested part of Brook Village Green be left uncut for a wild flower area. This would be an agenda item for the next Parish Council meeting.

**24. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:**

Main Parish Council meeting on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> January at 7.30pm at Brighstone Methodist Church.

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked everyone for attending, and closed the Meeting at 10.02pm.