

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF BRIGHSTONE PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE  
METHODIST CHURCH, BRIGHSTONE ON WEDNESDAY 8<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2015 AT 7.30PM.**

**PRESENT:** Cllr. John Cirrone (Chairman), Cllr. Ken Taylor, Cllr David Tolfree, Cllr J Morgan and Cllr. Colin Bridges.  
Mrs Susannah Jennings (clerk)  
One member of the Public was present

**1. APOLOGIES for ABSENCE.**

Cllr. S Chorley, Cllr S Roberts and Cllr. R Haviland

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.**

None declared.

**3. MINUTES.**

The Minutes of the Full Council Meeting of the 11<sup>th</sup> March, having been previously circulated and read, were confirmed as a correct record, and signed by the Chairman.

The Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of the 6<sup>th</sup> March having been previously circulated and read, were confirmed as a correct record, and signed by the Chairman.

**4. MATTERS ARISING.**

The Clerk confirmed that she had emailed the appropriate members of the IWC Planning Committee to inform them that they were thanked by councillors for their rejection of the Blanchards Planning Application at the March Brighstone Parish Council Meeting.

- a) Military Road concerns – Brighstone Parish Council's concerns regarding the future of the Military Road were raised to other West Wight Councils at the West Wight Town and Parish Councils meeting. All present agreed to raise this issue at their next Town/Parish Council meeting.
- b) Future of the no.12 bus service – The Clerk read out the email response received from Matt Kitchin of Southern Vectis. It was agreed to write again in June when Mr Kitchin said he will know more details.
- c) Public/councillor inspection of planning applications – It was suggested that new planning applications could be made available at the Brighstone Library on a Tuesday morning. The clerk agreed to contact the Library committee.
- d) To set up bank direct debits for regular invoices – It was agreed not to pursue this and continue to write cheques for all invoices received as it would not alter the clerks workload and is easier to monitor/control.

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

There were no questions or comments from the public.

**6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.**

- i. LDC/17694/J, P/00260/15, Island Fish Farm Waters Edge Muggleton Lane Brighstone. Lawful Development Certificate for continued occupancy of dwelling unrelated to agriculture.

Brighstone Parish Council have no objection. This is an example of an honest endeavour to fulfil their obligation and the farm is still offering a service on the site. **All Cllrs Agreed**

**7. TO RECEIVE PLANNING DECISIONS.**

There were no planning decisions.

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

There will be a mid-month planning meeting on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April, to start at 7.45pm.

**9. TO CONSIDER ANY UPDATES REGARDING THE PLANNING APPLICATION ON THE BLANCHARDS SITE INCLUDING RESPONSE TO LETTER FROM A PARISHIONER.**

There were no updates regarding the Blanchards planning application.

Councillors then discussed a letter from a parishioner regarding the Blanchards application. It was agreed to write to the parishioner acknowledging that his comments have been noted and to request that in the future any correspondence is sent to the clerk, rather than directly to councillors, so a collective response from the Parish Council can be obtained.

**10. TO CONSIDER THE ISLE OF WIGHT COUNCIL'S DRAFT REVIEW OF THE ISLAND PLAN CORE STRATEGY SP2 (HOUSING).**

Councillors discussed a number of issues including what areas Brighstone Rural Service Centre serves. It was noted that the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group have written to both Calbourne and Shorwell Parish Councils to ask if Brighstone provides a service to their residents. Councillors agreed to contact the Clinical Commissioning Group and request statistics showing the residency of registered users of the Brighstone Doctors Surgery and also to request the same information from the local library.

All councillors agreed they were happy to support the response compiled by John Brownscombe on behalf of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group regarding the SP2 consultation (which had been prior circulated to councillors) and agreed to respond to the Isle of Wight Council as such. It was noted that the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group have a meeting scheduled for Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April and if any amendments are made to the response the clerk will notify all councillors before submitting comments to the Isle of Wight Council.

**11. TO CONSIDER REFURBISHMENT OF THE PUBLIC TOILETS.**

Cllr Chorley had sent a written report, due to her absence from the meeting, which the clerk read. There had not been a Working Group meeting due to illness but photographs etc had been taken in preparation.

**12. TO CONSIDER PARISH COUNCIL MEETING DATES FOR 2015/16**

A draft schedule of 2015/16 meetings had been prior circulated to councillors.

The schedule was agreed with the following amendments:

To hold both the Annual Parish Council Meeting and the Annual Parish Meeting on the 13<sup>th</sup> May 2015

To hold all Planning Committee meetings at 7.45pm.

**13. TO DISCUSS VOLUNTEER INSURANCE COVER**

The clerk explained that following a conversation with the insurance company, any volunteer litter wardens are required to wear fluorescent jackets and be issued with a risk assessment report. It was agreed to write to the Parish Council volunteers to explain the insurance company's requirements. If

the volunteers are not happy they can continue litter-picking as part of the community if they do so they will not be acting on behalf of the Parish Council or covered by the Parish Council insurance.

**14. TO RECEIVE POLICE REPORT.**

A Police Report had not been received.

**15. TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

Cllr Cirrone reported that the draft policies are now being written.

The consultant has worked more hours than anticipated and the next invoice will be for 76 hours, therefore finances are reducing. However once the draft policies have been written the number of hours invoiced should reduce significantly.

Councillors asked if they could have copies of the NP Steering Group Meeting notes in advance.

**16. TO RECEIVE IW COUNCILLOR'S REPORT.**

Cllr Seely sent in a written report which was distributed at the meeting and is attached to these minutes.

**17. RISK ASSESSMENT CHECKS FOR MARCH.**

Risk assessment checks all ok.

It was agreed to review the Risk Assessments at the Annual Parish Council Meeting.

**18 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT:**

Ch No.	To	Description	Net	VAT	Gross
1469	West Wight Sports Centre	Donation 2015/16	2000.00	0.00	2000.00
1470	B'Stone Methodist Church	to replace lost chq 1461	48.00	0.00	48.00
1471	HM Revenue & Customs	Feb & March Tax & Nics	70.64	0.00	70.64
1472	Mrs S Jennings	March salary	756.69	0.00	756.69
1473	Top Mops	March toilet cleaning	208.73	41.75	250.48
1474	Wallgate	Toilet service visits	597.00	119.40	716.40

**Proposed:** Cllr D Tolfree      **Seconded:** Cllr J Morgan

**All councillors agreed.**

**19. TO RECEIVE FINANCIAL STATEMENT TO 31<sup>st</sup> MARCH 2015**

The Financial Statement to 31<sup>st</sup> March was circulated and agreed.

The Clerk highlighted one query regarding which funding was used to purchase the new roundabout for the Recreation Ground. This will require further investigation.

**20. TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM REPS. ON OUTSIDE BODIES.**

**IWALC.** Cllr Tolfree's report on the IWALC meeting of 19<sup>th</sup> March had been prior distributed and is attached to these minutes.

Cllr Tolfree gave an update on point 5. There has since been a meeting of the IWC Scrutiny Committee at which the possibility of designating an officer who will be the focal point for any Town and Parish Council issues was considered.

**Planning Training.** Cllr Morgan commented that the recent planning training attended by councillors had been very worthwhile.

**West Wight Town and Parish Meeting.** Cllr Cirrone reported that the West Wight Town and Parish Council meeting took place in March and there was a greater focus on the whole area. Two of the subjects discussed were the Military Road and the rural bus service.

The group are also hoping to arrange a meeting with all the Ward Councillors present to discuss the main issues.

It was asked when work on the Military Road is due to start. The clerk was asked to contact Island Roads to ask.

**21. CORRESPONDENCE:**

- i. NHS Community Dental Services, Isle of Wight. A letter had been received stating that the community dental service for the Isle of Wight is now being provided by Somerset Partnership NHS Foundation.
- ii. An email has been received from the IWCP Editors Assistant asking for events taking place between July and October this year to go into the Holiday News Guide.
- iii. Tree Works at St Marys House/Priors Cottage – Macrocarpa to remove limbs over the neighbouring property and balance the crown.

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

It was reported that the post carrying the ‘Brighstone’ sign on the junction of Grange Road and Military Road was broken. Also reported was the broken ‘Badgers’ sign in Limerstone.

It was asked if the ‘Thimble’ that was at Compton is going to be restored. The clerk will investigate.

The Clerk was asked to chase the IWC Planning Enforcement team regarding the site at Limerstone where sheds etc have been erected.

It was asked to add to next months agenda the issue of the large tree situated in the middle of the pavement on Main Road in Brighstone.

**21. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

There were no questions/reports from the public

**22. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:**

Planning Committee meeting on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April at 7.45pm.

Main Parish Council meeting on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30pm.

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked everyone for attending, and closed the Meeting at 9.10pm.