

MINUTES OF BRIGHSTONE PARISH COUNCIL'S MEETING HELD IN THE METHODIST CHURCH, BRIGHSTONE ON WEDNESDAY 10th JUNE 2015 AT 7.30PM.

PRESENT: Cllr. John Cirrone (Chairman), Cllr D Tolfree, Cllr S Roberts, Cllr S Chorley, Cllr R Haviland, and Cllr. Colin Bridges (arrived after item 4a).

Mrs Susannah Jennings (clerk)

Three member of the Public were present

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Cllr. K Taylor and Cllr J Morgan.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

None declared.

3. MINUTES.

The Minutes of the Full Council Meeting of the 13th May, having been previously circulated and read, were confirmed as a correct record, and signed by the Chairman.

4. MATTERS ARISING.

a) Future of the no.12 bus service – A meeting has been scheduled with Matt Kitchin on the 1st July. Cllr Roberts and Cllr Cirrone had attended the public Bus Users Group meeting at which it had been confirmed that during the winter months Brighstone's Sunday bus service will be stopped. It was also confirmed that from September, the last bus to leave Newport during the week will be at 5.40pm and the current first Saturday bus will no longer run.

Cllrs and the public expressed concern regarding the last bus leaving Newport at 5.40pm for both people working in Newport and secondary school children staying on for after school clubs.

Cllr Bridges joined the meeting.

b) The future of the Military Road – A reply from Mrs Clewett of Island Roads had been received confirming that no geotechnical works are scheduled for the Military Road. Councillors expressed concern that there seems to be a lack of forward planning and asked if funds were available if the road should fail?

c) Planning Enforcement – The West Wight Planning Enforcement Officer no longer works for the Isle of Wight Council, which leaves one Enforcement Officer for the whole Island. Any enforcement issues are therefore being actioned according to priority.

Concern was expressed that if the situation is left for a certain amount of time before any action is taken the buildings will be deemed legal.

d) The 'Thimble' at Compton – The land where the 'Thimble' was located is not owned by the National Trust, the land is owned by The Crown.

e) Public/councillor inspection of planning applications – The clerk has agreed with the Library to display any planning applications from 10.30am until 12.30pm on the Tuesday before a Parish Council meeting.

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

A member of the public expressed concern regarding speeding motorbikes along the Military Road. It was advised that the local police be contacted with details of particular days, times and locations.

6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

i) P/00522/15, TCP/30738/B. The Lodge, Main Road, Brighstone. Variation of condition no. 2 on P/01850/12 - TCP/30738/A to allow amendment to siting of units D5, T1, T2, T3 and T4.
Brighstone Parish Council have no objection. All Councillors agreed.

(ii) P/00477/15, TCP/05204/T. Brighstone C of E Primary School, New Road, Brighstone. Proposed single storey building to provide 2 classrooms and associated facilities; hard court games area.
Brighstone Parish Council have no objection and feel this application offers an improved building situated in a better location. All Councillors agreed.

7. TO RECEIVE PLANNING DECISIONS.

The following Planning Applications have been granted permission by the Isle of Wight Council.
P/00271/15 2 Casses Court, Main Road, Brighstone. Replacement Windows.

P/00326/15 Chelsfield, Galley Lane, Brightsone. Lawful Development Certificate for proposed demolition of garage and shed and construction of detached double garage.

P/01553/14 The Red House, Brook. Detached double garage with games room within roofspace to include dormer windows on south elevation.

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

Possible mid-month planning meeting date is Wednesday 24th June, to start at 7.45pm.

9. TO REVIEW BRIGHSTONE PARISH COUNCIL'S STANDING ORDERS.

Councillors looked at the Parish Council's existing Standing orders and compared them to two example Standing Orders of other Parish Councils. After some discussion it was agreed the Clerk would compile a new draft set of Standing Orders and email them to councillors for discussion at next months Parish Council Meeting.

10. TO CONSIDER THE FUTURE OF THE PLOT OF LAND IN WILBERFORCE ROAD.

The Clerk explained that the piece of land is not on the on-line Land Registry website and the next step is to write to Land Registry requesting documents. It was also agreed that the Clerk will look up the original paperwork from when the land had been given to the Parish Council by the developer. Legally if the land was to be sold it would have to be professionally valued and the funds would have to be put by for the purchase of assets.

It was also agreed that if the land was sold it would be put on the open market.

11. TO CONSIDER THE REQUEST FROM THE BRIGHSTONE WI TO PLANT A TREE ON PARISH COUNCIL LAND.

An update email from the Brighstone WI had been received suggesting a Hornbeam tree be planted on Parish Council land to commemorate 100 years of the WI, and 50 years of the Brighstone WI. Land on the Recreation Ground near the footpath and land near Willses Corner was suggested. As Hornbeam trees grow very big it was agreed to consult the Tree Surgeon.

12. TO CONSIDER THE FUTURE MAINTENANCE OF LAND BETWEEN 12 AND 13 ASHLEY WAY.

A request from a member of the public for the Parish Council to maintain an area between 12 and 13 Ashley Way was considered.

It was agreed that as the area is not owned by the Parish Council and is not community land the Parish Council are unable to pay for the area to be maintained. It was suggested that another resident may be able to continue the maintenance of the area.

13. TO CONSIDER FINANCIAL SUPPORT REQUEST FROM THE WEST WIGHT TIME BANK

A request for financial support of the West Wight Timebank was considered by councillors. It was agreed that unfortunately Brighstone Parish Council was unable to support this project and that the general policy of the Parish Council is to only support events/groups which have a direct benefit to the Parish.

14. TO CONSIDER THE FINANCIAL SUPPORT REQUEST FOR THE ARMED FORCES DAY.

A request for financial support for the Armed Forces Day was considered by councillors. It was agreed that unfortunately Brighstone Parish Council was unable to support this project and that the general policy of the Parish Council is to only support events/groups which have a direct benefit to the Parish.

15. TO REVIEW THE RING FENCED BUDGET ITEMS.

Councillors looked at each of the existing Ring Fenced Budgets and agreed the following:

Replacement of Fixed Assets – Reduce to £500 now and add £500 each year.

Play Equipment – Leave the £1860 for Play equipment.

Recreation Ground – Leave for this year and ask the Recreation Ground Committee how much they require for next year.

Calor Award – This was awarded for Play Equipment and needs to remain ring fenced.

Toilets Refurb. – Remain until the refurbishment of the toilets have been carried out.

Neighbourhood Plan – To remain

WWLP grant for Lifeboat plaque insurance – The insurance is paid within the main insurance, therefore the funds can now be incorporated within the main budget.

Brighstone Library – These funds no longer need to be ring fenced. At present the library is self funding and if their position changes in the future funding can be reconsidered.

16. TO RECEIVE THE POLICE REPORT

The police report was distributed to councillors and the public.

In the month of May there was one report of criminal damage which was an isolated incident.

The police carried out speed checks along New Road on the 22nd May which recorded forty vehicles, none of which were speeding.

The police have asked the public to contact them if there are any concerns regarding speeding in a particular area and at particular times.

17. TO CONSIDER REFURBISHMENT OF THE PUBLIC TOILETS.

Cllr Chorley reported that the Working Group had a meeting on the 18th May at which possible fittings and design were discussed. The Group are considering proposing that the disabled toilet is left unlocked to increase access and it may possibly be a location for the baby changing facilities.

Cllr Chorley has also been looking through the files at the contracts with the Isle of Wight Council.

Unfortunately the June meeting had been cancelled but the next meeting will be early July.

18. TO CONSIDER ANY UPDATES REGARDING THE PLANNING APPLICATIONS ON THE BLANCHARDS SITE.

There were no updates to report.

19. TO RECEIVE IW COUNCILLOR'S REPORT.

Cllr Seely had submitted a written report which was distributed and is attached to these minutes.

20. TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE AND NOTES OF THE NP MEETING.

The notes of the previous NP Steering Group meeting were distributed.

Cllr Cirrone reported that the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group are continuing to compile the draft policies.

21. TO CONSIDER ACTION REGARDING THE LIMITED PAVEMENT ACCESS DUE TO A LARGE TREE ON MAIN ROAD, BRIGHSTONE.

The Clerk had consulted the local Tree Surgeon who had then contacted the Isle of Wight Council Tree Team. A meeting has been arranged for Friday 19th June at 10.30am to discuss possible solutions with the Isle of Wight Council's Tree Team Manager, Mr Jerry Willis.

It was agreed that the Clerk and Cllr Tolfree will attend the meeting.

22. TO CONSIDER THE ISLE OF WIGHT COUNCIL'S CUSTOMER INTERFACE CONSULTATION.

Details of the consultation had been prior distributed to councillors.

Councillors agreed they had no comment to make.

23. TO CONSIDER THE ISLE OF WIGHT COUNCIL'S CUSTOMER DRAFT AFFORDABLE HOUSING SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING CONSULTATION.

After some discussion all councillors agreed they were happy to support the response compiled by the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group regarding the consultation 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 23rd June and the clerk will circulate the response to councillors before submitting it to the Isle of Wight Council.

24. RISK ASSESSMENT CHECKS FOR JUNE.

Risk assessment checks all ok – Cemetery gates and fences all in good order, burial registers are up to date and grass cutting is being undertaken.

25. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT:

Ch No.	To	Description	Net	VAT	Gross
1482	AON UK	Annual Insurance	1074.96	0.00	1074.96
1483	Top Mops	May 2015 toilet cleaning	208.73	41.75	250.48
1484	Dryad Treework	2015 2 qtr	200.00	0.00	200.00
1485	B townsend	Internal Auditor 2014/15	100.00	0.00	100.00
1486	Groundsells	May 2015	700.00	140.00	840.00
1487	Mrs S Jennings	May salary	763.77	0.00	763.77
1488	Brighstone & District Newsletter	- £51 NP & £64 PC	115.00	0.00	115.00
1489	Mrs S Jennings	Cemetery frames materials	29.28	0.00	29.28
TOTAL			3191.74	181.75	3373.49

Proposed: Cllr D Tolfree

Seconded: Cllr S Roberts

All councillors agreed.

26. TO RECEIVE FINANCIAL STATEMENT TO 31st MAY 2015

The Financial Statement to 31st May was circulated and agreed.

27. TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM REPS. ON OUTSIDE BODIES.

Brook Stream – Cllr Haviland advised that the payback in the community have agreed to clear Brook Stream

Wilberforce Hall – Cllr Tolfree reported that a working group has been assigned to investigate the provision of a disabled toilet and are progressing well.

28. CORRESPONDENCE:

i. It has been reported that the road surface near Brook Church where a fatal accident occurred is again in need of maintenance. This will be reported to Island Roads.

ii. Paul Savill of My Life a Full Life has requested to come and speak to the Parish Council. The clerk was asked to enquire what the talk will be about and if there are any leaflets the Parish Council can have.

iii. Cllr Taylor has several boxes of walk leaflets which need distributing. It was agreed that the clerk would collect the leaflets and distribute to councillors for distribution to various outlets across the Island.

iv IWALC have organised a meeting for Town and Parish Councils to find out about the changes to the way the Isle of Wight Council's Planning services are going to be delivered.

v. There is a temporary event notice for Mottistone Manor Tea Garden on the 31st July. The premises user will be providing the sale of alcohol between 19.30 and 23.30.

vi. There is a temporary event notice for St Mary's Church, Brighstone on the 19th June. The premises user will be providing the sale of alcohol between 19.00 and 21.30

vii. The BRGAC Annual report was received and read out by the clerk.

29. OTHER MATTERS MEMBERS MAY WISH TO RAISE

There were no matters members wished to raise

30. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

Main Parish Council meeting on Wednesday 8th July at 7.30pm.

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked everyone for attending, and closed the Meeting at 9.16pm.