

**MINUTES OF BRIGHSTONE PARISH COUNCIL'S MEETING HELD IN SEELY HALL, BROOK
ON WEDNESDAY 10th AUGUST 2016 AT 7.30PM.**

PRESENT: Cllr. John Cirrone (Chairman), Cllr S Chorley, Cllr D Tolfree, Cllr J Morgan, Cllr R Haviland, Cllr C Bridges, Cllr S Roberts and Cllr. M East.

Mrs Susannah Jennings (clerk)

Six members of the Public were present

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

None

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

To be declared as appropriate at agenda items.

3. MINUTES.

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

The Minutes of the Cemetery Meeting of 13th July, having been prior circulated and read, were confirmed as a correct record, and signed by the Chairman

The Minutes of the Planning Meeting of 27th July, having been prior circulated and read, were confirmed as a correct record, and signed by the Chairman.

4. MATTERS ARISING.

- i. Local Planning Enforcement issues – The Local Planning Enforcement Officer has visited the site in Limerstone and has agreed that the building has been built contrary to planning and are taking action. No further details have been received.
- ii Pavement access on Main Road, Brighstone – The matter is still ongoing. Island Roads/The Isle of Wight Council were seen carrying out a survey of the area recently but no further information has been received.
- iii. Parking Issues in Brighstone – The clerk has made a request to Island Roads that the double yellow lines on Broad Lane are extended to the top of the road and that further parking restrictions are placed on the Main Road to the East of Broad Lane where the road bends. No response has yet been received.
- iv. Duck Warning Signs on the Military Road – An email from Island Roads has been received to confirm they have put this request on the Network Integrity and Safety Assessment Register.

It was also reported that the bricks on the partly built bin store have been removed and Cllr Cirrone and the clerk met with a builder earlier in the week who is going to provide a quote for the works.

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

There were no public questions/comments.

6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

TCP/32739, P/00860/16, Bay Tree Cottage Main Road Brighstone. Householder Application Replacement windows.

Brighstone Parish Council have no objection.

All councillors agreed

TCP/32515/A, P/00968/16. Brookfield Brook. Householder Application Extension at first floor level to convert bungalow into a house alterations to include juliet balconies on front and rear elevations external cladding replacement roof (revised scheme)

Brighstone Parish Council have no objection but found there was a lack of information regarding the proposed garage and contradictions relating to the roof material (steel or zinc).

All councillors agreed

7. TO RECEIVE PLANNING DECISIONS.

The following planning applications had been granted permission by the Isle of Wight Council:

TCP/28156/A, P/00815/16. Fairbrooke Upper Lane Brighstone. Householder Application Proposed porch

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

The midmonth meeting, if required, will be on 24th August at 7.45pm

9. TO DISCUSS THE FORMER COUNTRYMAN BUILDING AND TO DECIDE WHETHER TO REQUEST THE ISLE OF WIGHT COUNCIL TAKE ENFORCEMENT ACTION.

Cllr Cirrone declared a personal and disclosable pecuniary interest and signed the Register of Interests book. The vice chairman, Cllr Chorley, took the chair.

(The chairman paused the meeting at 7.45pm until 7.50pm due to accessibility problems on the road outside)

Cllr Cirrone gave a personal statement and took questions before leaving the room at 7.52pm.

Cllr Chorley gave an overview of the concerns raised by residents (the untidy appearance of the former Countryman building and the surrounding site) and the options available to the Parish Council. Questions and comments were then taken from the public followed by a lengthy discussion by councillors.

It was proposed that the Parish Council request that the Isle of Wight Council Planning Department take action using the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 Section 215, (which gives the power for the Local Planning Authority to take steps requiring land to be cleared up when its condition adversely effects the amenity of an area) and to notify the Environmental Health department of reported broken asbestos on site as well as the presence of rats.

Proposed: Cllr East

Seconded: Cllr Morgan

All Councillors agreed.

Cllr Cirrone returned to the room and took the chair at 8.08pm.

10. TO DISCUSS THE SOLENT DEVOLUTION PROPOSAL

A public consultation was launched on the 22nd July regarding the proposed Solent Combined Authority plans and runs until 18th September.

Cllr Cirrone, Cllr Tolfree and the clerk are attending a meeting being organised by IWALC on the 1st September between Isle of Wight Council representatives and Town and Parish Councillors regarding the Solent Devolution proposal.

It was agreed to put the Solent proposal on the September agenda.

11. TO DISCUSS THE ISLE OF WIGHT DAY

The Isle of Wight Day on the 24th September was discussed by councillors.

It was felt that it was too late to organise anything this year but if it is an annual event it was agreed to ask for ideas/volunteers to organise an event next year.

Each Town and Parish Council are also going to receive a free mile of bunting. It was proposed to offer this to local buildings/groups such as the Village shop and the church, who they are holding an event on the day.

The clerk was also asked to find out more details about the planned procession.

12. TO DISCUSS FOOTPATHS IN THE PARISH INCLUDING BRIGHSTONE FOREST

The overgrown condition of the footpaths in Brighstone Forest was discussed, in particular the route from Chessel to the Jubilee car park.

It was agreed to write to the Forestry Commission requesting that hedges are cut back and the footpaths cleared so pedestrians, horse riders, groups of orienteers etc. can use the footpaths.

13. TO DISCUSS THE RIGHTS OF WAY IMPROVEMENT PLAN REVIEW.

The Isle of Wight Council have launched a review of the Isle of Wight Rights of Way Improvement Plan. The key function of the plan is to set out how improvements made to the public rights of way network will provide a better experience for users.

It was agreed to delegate the completion of the online questionnaire to Cllr Tolfree and Cllr Bridges. Cllr Cirrone agreed to investigate if there are any reference made to the Rights of Way network in the Neighbourhood Plan.

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

There were no updates to report.

15. TO RECEIVE IW COUNCILLOR'S REPORT.

There was no report.

16. TO RECEIVE UPDATES AND PROGRESS OF THE NP.

It was confirmed that the referendum will take place on Thursday 15th September.

Councillors discussed whether the three banners should be placed around the parish to advertise the referendum at a total approximate cost of £90 to update the lettering.

All councillors agreed that the banners should be updated and put up to advertise the referendum.

17. RISK ASSESSMENT CHECKS FOR AUGUST.

Risk assessment checks all ok – Goods ordered have been received, office equipment and documents are up to date.

18. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT:

Ch No.	To	Description	Net	VAT	Gross
1605	Groundsell Contracting - July grass cutting		700.00	140.00	840.00
1606	Mr M Mills - Repair of church clock		180.00	0.00	180.00
1607	Mrs S Jennings - July salary		778.66	0.00	778.66
1608	Shaw and Sons - Exclusive Rights of Burial book		98.23	19.65	117.88
1609	The Information Commissioner - Data protection Registration		35.00	0.00	35.00
1610	Top Mops - Feb 2016 and July 2016 toilet cleaning		433.12	86.63	519.75
TOTAL			2225.01	246.28	2471.29

Proposed: Cllr Roberts

Seconded: Cllr Chorley

All councillors agreed

19. TO RECEIVE FINANCIAL STATEMENT TO 31ST JULY 2016

The Financial Statement to 31st July had been prior distributed to councillors and members of the public.

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

Website Group – Cllr Chorley reported that there has been a delay in the changeover to the new system and currently no editing can be made to the website. The clerk reported that due to this the current agendas and minutes are not on the website and the application for the Local Council Award Scheme has been put on hold. Cllr Chorley also reported that the current Facebook account 'Brighstone Discovery Explorer' was initially set up as an individual account rather than a group account. It may be worth considering deleting the current account and setting up a group account.

Brighstone and District Newsletter – Cllr Haviland reported that the Newsletter constitution is to be updated to state that members of the group will include the committee plus three members of the public. The financial situation will be reviewed at the end of the year.

IWALC – Cllr Tolfree had prior distributed a report on the latest IWALC meeting (the AGM).

Fracking Public Meeting – Cllr Tolfree attended a public presentation on fracking which was informative. It was asked if the speaker could be invited to do a 30 minute presentation at a Parish Council Planning Meeting.

FYT Bus – Cllr East reported that numbers using the FYT bus are approximately the same.

21. CORRESPONDENCE:

- i. Island Roads have appointed a new senior district steward. Other areas have new stewards but Brighstone's area steward remains unchanged.
- ii. An email has been received from a member of the public highlighting the increased use of the number 12 bus over the summer. It was agreed to add this as an agenda item at the next Parish Council meeting.
- iii. The Recreation Ground Administrative Group secretary has reported that there has been a problem with the roundabout safety surfacing. The surfacing has been temporarily repaired and will be permanently fixed in September when the train engine is installed.
- iv. An invitation has been received from the West Wight Sports Centre to a presentation by the Duke of Edinburgh group on Tuesday 16th August at 7pm.
- v. An email has been received regarding the Holm Oaks on The Pound causing damage to a local driveway and wall and requesting that two of the trees are felled. It was agreed to put this on the next agenda.
- vi. Cllr Chorley has reported to Island Roads problems resulting from the resurfacing on Lynch Lane. An email has also been received from a member of the public as properties have been flooded as a result of the resurfacing. It was agreed to add this to the next agenda.

22. OTHER MATTERS MEMBERS WISH TO RAISE, AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIRMAN.

Parking in the Cemetery Entrance – Works at a neighbouring property have now been completed and therefore there will no longer be works vehicles parking in the area.

Overgrown Hedges on Highway – There are a number of overgrown hedges along the highway, in particular along Upper Lane. It was agreed to put this on the next agenda.

Cyclists – It was reported that some cyclists seem to be disregarding other road users.

Disabled Access in Brighstone – It was suggested that when the pavements are updated in Brighstone that more drop kerbs are installed to make it easier for wheelchair users etc. to access the pavements. It was agreed to put this on the next agenda.

23. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

Main Parish Council meeting on Wednesday 14th September at 7.30pm at Brighstone Methodist Church.

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked everyone for attending, and closed the Meeting at 9.08pm.