

**MINUTES OF BRIGHSTONE PARISH COUNCIL'S MEETING HELD IN BRIGHSTONE
METHODIST CHURCH ON WEDNESDAY 11TH OCTOBER 2017 AT 7.30PM.**

PRESENT: Cllr. John Cirrone (Chairman), Cllr R Haviland, Cllr. M East, Cllr S Roberts, Cllr M Huxley, Cllr P Adams and Cllr C Bridges.

Mrs Susannah Jennings (clerk)

Six members of the public were present.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Cllr. J Morgan

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

To be declared as appropriate at agenda items.

3. MINUTES.

The Minutes of the Full Council Meeting of 20th September. One amendment was made to item 32 under the heading Triathlon – the sentence should read ‘was hit by a car pulling out of a road in Hulverstone’. Once this amendment had been made the minutes were confirmed as a correct record, and signed by the Chairman.

4. CLERK'S REPORT AND UPDATES

i. Planning Enforcement Issue St. Peter and St. Paul church, Mottistone – An update had been received from the Isle of Wight Council planning department stating that they have referred the matter to the Archdeacon of the Isle of Wight. They will give an update as soon as they have received a response.

ii. No Pavement sign near St. Marys Church in Brighstone – An Island Roads District Steward has requested two ‘pedestrians in Road’ signs to be erected and this has been added to the Isle of Wight Council’s Network Safety and Integrity register.

iii. The no.12 bus service – A meeting with Southern Vectis has been requested and should take place before Christmas in plenty of time for the summer timetable.

iv. Moor Lane Planning Application – The Isle of Wight Planning Department have confirmed that as yet no decision has been made regarding the planning application for three chalet bungalows off Moor Lane.

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

A member of the public asked if we had a copy of the Best Kept Village results. The clerk said they had not received any yet but would ask the organiser for a copy.

It was reported that vehicles are parking on the paving slabs in front of the Wilberforce Hall. It was agreed to put this as an agenda item at the November meeting.

6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

TCP/32851/A. P/01147/17. 25 Ashley Way, Brighstone. Proposed bungalow (revised scheme).

Brighstone Parish Council had no objections to the bungalow but do have concerns about its position being so close to the boundary of the plot next to the footpath. Brighstone Parish Council would also prefer some form of light attenuation/screening measures applied to the velux windows (as per the AONB Dark Skies policy).

All councillors agreed.

TCP/33077/A. P/01162/17. Coombe Barn, Coombe Lane, Brighstone. Proposed single storey rear extension and two dormers to replace existing two rooflights.

Brighstone Parish Council had no objections.

All councillors agreed.

LBC/29666/G, P/01129/17. Ford Cottage, Main Road, Brighstone. LBC for external alterations to remove small flat roof and extend tile roof over, reposition 1no. window on north elevation; create new door opening from kitchen. Internal alterations to form new boot room and additional bedroom.

Brighstone Parish Council had no objections.

All councillors agreed.

17. UPDATE REGARDING THE WEST WIGHT TOWN AND PARISH COUNCIL GROUP (WWTPCG)

There were no updates to report.

18. TO DISCUSS THE FUTURE POSSIBILITY OF OIL EXPLORATION ON THE ISLE OF WIGHT

No updates had been received.

19. TO APPROVE THE CLERK TO TAKE THE GENERAL POWER OF COMPETENCE MODULE.

The clerk explained that she had taken the SLCC Certificate in Local Council Administration some years ago but a new module had been introduced since then, the General Power of Competence. The clerk requested Brighstone Parish Council support her in taking the module, at a cost of £30, the Parish Council could then decide in the future whether they wished to adopt the General Power of Competence as a Parish Council in the future.

Brighstone Parish Council agreed that the clerk should take the General Power of Competence module.

20. TO CONSIDER THE QUOTE TO CARRY OUT TREWORK IN ASHLEY WAY.

Cllr Huxley declared and personal a prejudicial interest, signed the declaration of Interests book and left the room.8.50pm.

It was acknowledged that the tree work in question had already been carried out by Dryad Treework at no cost to the Parish Council.

Cllr Cirrone said he would investigate who owns the piece of land near the garages and report back.

Cllr Huxley re-joined the meeting at 9.53pm.

21. TO CONSIDER THE MANAGEMENT OF TREES ON THE RECREATION GROUND.

The clerk stated that trees on the Recreation Ground and along the stream on both sides need to be assessed as part of the council's management programme.

Cllr Huxley explained that the initial assessment should be carried out by a fully qualified arboricultural consultant. The clerk agreed to get some quotes for the work for councillors to consider at the next meeting.

22. TO CONSIDER THE BRIGHSTONE RECREATION GROUND'S REPORT.

The report had been prior circulated to councillors.

Part of the report highlighted that some of the equipment in the children's play area is starting to show signs of age and would need replacing or updating in the future.

Councillors were asked to forward to the clerk any grant opportunities they see for recreation ground equipment.

23. UPDATE ON THE TOILET REFURBISHMENT PROJECT

The doors and windows had not yet been ordered. The clerk and Cllr Cirrone said they would contact the contractor and again ask for an installation date.

24. TO DISCUSS THE SECOND RESPONSE FROM THE ISLE OF WIGHT COUNCIL PLANNING DEPARTMENT RE. THE GUET IN LIMERSTONE.

A reply to Brighstone Parish Council's request for a meeting had been received from the Isle of Wight Council's Planning Department. The response stated that as the previous case officer was on maternity leave it was thought that a meeting should not take place until her return, which will be the end of January at the earliest.

Councillors agreed that the response was not acceptable and that a reply should be sent stating this with a copy to Wendy Perara.

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

There were no updates to report.

26. TO RECEIVE IW COUNCILLOR'S REPORT.

A written report had been received and distributed.

- i. A replacement Conservative candidate for central Wight area will be selected before the end of the year. A by-election will then be called.
- ii. Speeding – Having spoken to the leader of the Isle of Wight Council, there are talks regarding getting a portable speed control system being used in Brighstone parish.
- iii. Development – The Isle of Wight Council's corporate plan was published earlier this month.
- iv. Development – The Government have announced new housing targets for the Isle of Wight as part of a National policy. The government have argued for an increase of over 600 housing units per year.

27. RISK ASSESSMENT CHECKS FOR OCTOBER.

Risk assessment checks all ok. Grass cutting is up to date. Burial registers are up to date. Budget work will commence in November.

28. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT:

Ch No.	To	Description	Net	VAT	Gross
1715	Eldridges - Solicitor fee re. freehold of toilets contract		493.00	90.00	583.00
1716	Minimag Co - renovation of tourist map board and bollards		353.08	0.00	353.08
1717	Mrs S Jennings - New A3 printer and paper		147.37	29.47	176.84
1718	Top Mops - September toilet cleaning		224.39	44.88	269.27
1719	Mrs S Jennings - Sept salary		791.17	0.00	791.17
1720	Groundsell Contracting - Sept grass cutting		700.00	140.00	840.00
1721	Dryad Treework - Ashley copse tree work		970.00	0.00	970.00
D/D	Pension contribution		6.38	0.00	6.38
TOTAL			3685.39	304.35	3989.74

Proposed: Cllr East Seconded: Cllr Roberts All councillors agreed.

29. TO RECEIVE FINANCIAL STATEMENT TO 30TH SEPTEMBER 2017

The Financial Statement to 30th September had been distributed to councillors and members of the public.

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

FYT Bus – Cllr East reported that the questionnaires would be collected at the end of October from the post box at the Brighstone Village shop and that he was collecting them from customers on the bus.

31. CORRESPONDENCE:

Tree work notifications:

Cedar Cottage, Brook Village Road. Tree work to be carried out as per application.

Mottistone Mill, Moortown Lane, Brighstone – to remove three stems from willow.

Planning Training – There is an IWALC planning training event on Monday 27th November at the Riverside Centre.

Barrier for Recreation Ground – a resident has raised concerns regarding open vehicle access onto the recreation ground. It was agreed to add this as an agenda item at the November Parish Council meeting.

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

Warnes Lane car park – The Isle of Wight Council have arranged for the fence in Warnes Lane Car Park to be replaced by Groundsells in the near future. They are also going to trim the vegetation. Cllr Cirrone has also asked if the overgrown area next to the public toilets can be cleared and tidied.

Panels along footpath – Fence panels along the footpath next to the Lodge have been replaced by the local contractor.

Gaggerhill sign – The new footpath sign on Gaggerhill has the word Moor Lane spelt with an ‘e’ on the word Moor.

Hollis Drive Footpath Gate – The Gate leading to the footpath to the north of Hollis Drive has a broken post.

Bus Users Group – Cllr Adams will be attending the Bus Users Group on Saturday 28th Oct at 11am at the Methodist Church in Quay Street, Newport.

Wicken Hill – The new road surface on Wicken Hill is already cracking.

27. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

Main Parish Council meeting on Wednesday 8th November at 7.30pm at the Brighstone Methodist church.

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked everyone for attending, and closed the Meeting at 9.40pm.