

**MINUTES OF BRIGHSTONE PARISH COUNCIL'S MEETING HELD IN BRIGHSTONE
METHODIST CHURCH ON WEDNESDAY 11TH JULY 2018 AT 7.30PM.**

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

Mrs Susannah Jennings (clerk)

One member of the public were present.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Cllr P Adams, Cllr J Morgan and Ward Cllr Steve Hastings

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

To be declared as appropriate at agenda items.

3. MINUTES.

The Minutes of the Full Council Meeting of 20th June which had been prior circulated and read, were confirmed as a correct record, and signed by the Chairman.

4. CLERK'S REPORT AND UPDATES

i. Legal responsibility of the maintenance of ditches – The clerk will ask Cllr Hastings if Island Roads informed him of the rules as to who owns ditches at his onsite meeting.

ii. Southern Water request for information on sewer and groundwater capacity – Southern Water have responded to the Parish Council's information request stating they do not hold this information but have given the telephone number of the person who will be able to provide details of how capacity is assessed for development proposals. The clerk will contact the relevant person and request that the Parish Council be provided with details the next time a calculation is submitted.

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

A member of the public stated that there is a smell of sewage every morning to the western side of Brighstone. A number of other people had also smelt sewage in the area. The clerk will report this to Southern Water.

6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

There were no planning applications

7. TO RECEIVE PLANNING DECISIONS.

There were no planning decisions.

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

The mid-month planning meeting, if required, will be held on Wednesday 25th July at 7.45pm.

9. TO CONSIDER THE REQUEST TO KEEP THE BANK ALONG UPPER LANE FROM HOLLIS DRIVE TO MOORTOWN LANE AS A WILD FLOWER BANK

A request to allow the bank along Upper Lane to become a wildflower bank had been received from a member of the public. After a discussion about the position of the bank and proximity to homes and roads councillors all agreed that this strip of grass was not suitable to be a wildflower bank.

10. TO CONSIDER REQUEST BY YARMOUTH FOOTBALL CLUB TO USE THE FOOTBALL PITCH ON THE RECREATION GROUND

7.40pm. Cllr Roberts declared a personal and prejudicial interest, signed the Declarations of Interests book and left the room

Dave Chorley, Secretary of the Recreation Ground Committee, explained that Brighstone now only have one football team and no cricket team. Therefore the field was being used a lot less than in the past.

Yarmouth have requested the use of the Recreation Ground for one season whilst their clubhouse is being re-built.

Councillors agreed to Yarmouth football club using the Recreation Ground for the year. All councillors agreed

11. TO DISCUSS THE RECREATION GROUND FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS.

Dave Chorley explained that at present the tennis club pay an annual fee of £300, the football club pay £200. Yarmouth have agreed to pay £200 to use the field for a year.

Yarmouth have also agreed to pay towards the Pavilion Sustainability fund. They would pay their share of the £200 contribution from the three clubs. With the Parish Council paying the remainder £300 as per last year. All councillors agreed.

Cllr Roberts returned to the meeting at 7.47pm.

12. UPDATE REGARDING TAKING ON THE LEGAL RESPONSIBILITY OF THE LIBRARY.

The clerk explained that no further progress had been made. Community Action IW have invoiced the Museum for part of the electric invoices but not all of them. There has also been no action regarding the handover of the National Trust contract from Community Action to the Parish Council.

13. TO DISCUSS SPEED RESTRICTIONS ON UPPER PART OF MOORTOWN LANE AND LYNCH LANE

Ward councillor Steve Hastings had submitted a written report to the Parish Council - Cllr Hastings met with Island Roads representatives on the 5th July and it was agreed where to position a radar gun to determine the speed and type of vehicles driving along this stretch of road. The data will be analysed and if it is deemed necessary to move the 30mph sign to the outskirts of the village a road traffic order will be requested.

14. TO DISCUSS THE RUNNING AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE WEB GROUP.

A web group meeting had taken place on the 10th July where it was agreed that the group would meet the following week to go through each element of the website and determine which sections would be deleted, which needed amending/condensing and which areas would stay. This will be brought to the next Parish Council meeting for councillors to agree.

There have also been adverts placed in the Newsletter over the last couple of months asking for volunteers to help with the website but as yet none have come forward.

15. TO DISCUSS THE HOUSING NEEDS SURVEY TO BE CONDUCTED IN 2019

The clerk had prior distributed a copy of the 2014 Housing Needs Survey. It was agreed that the clerk would update any names, dates etc and send it to the Isle of Wight Council for approval.

16. TO DISCUSS THE POSSIBLE ENCROACHMENT ON THE RECREATION GROUND.

The clerk reported that a number of boundary plans from Land Registry and archives have been collected along with letters. The Parish Council Insurance do provide a free legal advice service and it was agreed that the clerk and chairman would meet one evening to discuss what plans they had before contacting the insurance legal advice team.

17. TO CONSIDER WORKS TO THE OUTSIDE OF THE PUBLIC TOILETS TO STOP THE BUILD-UP OF WATER WHEN IT RAINS

The clerk informed councillors that she had applied to the Island Roads Voluntary scheme whereby, if the application is successful, they would provide the labour and machinery and the Parish Council would provide the materials. The other Island Roads scheme where all aspects are paid for is not appropriate as it is not open to statutory bodies.

Cllr Cirrone reported that in the meantime he would arrange for a time and day for councillors to meet at the site to dig a temporary ditch in order to limit the amount of standing water over the autumn and winter.

18. TO DISCUSS WHETHER TO CARRY OUT WORKS ON THE SMALL AREA OF SHRUBS NEXT TO THE PUBLIC TOILETS IN BRIGHSTONE.

It was agreed that the clerk would write to Brighstone Primary School stating that ownership of the land had not been established, that in the past the school had managed it and would they like to be involved with its future management.

19. TO DISCUSS THE FORMER COUNTRYMAN SITE IN LIMERSTONE.

Ward councillor Steve Hastings had submitted a written report to the Parish Council – Cllr Hastings is due to meet with the case officer on the 19th July.

20. TO DISCUSS ACTION REGARDING THE ISLE OF WIGHT COUNCIL PLANNING DEPARTMENT RE. THE GUET IN LIMERSTONE.

Ward councillor Steve Hastings had submitted a written report to the Parish Council – The case officer is due to make a visit to the site to address what has been achieved since the last visit. The case officer has stated that one mobile home has been removed along with some cars and rubbish. Councillors commented that a lot of rubbish still remained on site.

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

8.15pm Cllr Roberts declared a pecuniary interest, signed the declarations of interest book and left the room. Ward councillor Steve Hastings had submitted a written report to the Parish Council – Cllr Hastings has met the agent for the new developer and he has asked for a meeting to discuss the site. He has said that they wish to make a couple of small changes but no additional houses.

Cllr Cirrone reported that none of the existing conditions placed on the planning permission have yet been met.

8.20 pm Cllr Roberts returned to the meeting.

22. TO RECEIVE IW COUNCILLOR'S REPORT.

Cllr Hastings provided a written report which had been prior distributed.

23. RISK ASSESSMENT CHECKS FOR JULY.

Risk assessment checks all ok. Contents of the chairman's box is all up to date. Grass cutting is being undertaken.

24. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT:

Ch No.	To	Description	Net	VAT	Gross
1785	County Fencing Supplies - Repair to climbing frame		496.12	99.22	595.34
1786	Groundsell Contracting - Grass cutting June		725.00	145.00	870.00
1787	Mrs S Jennings - Reimbursement of Land Registry costs		12.00	0.00	12.00
1788	Mrs S Jennings - June salary		808.77	0.00	808.77
1789	HM Revenue & Customs - Tax & Nic April, May and June		101.46	0.00	101.46
1790	Isle of Wight Council - Env Officer April 18 - March 19		480.00	0.00	480.00
D/d	Pension payment		16.78	0.00	16.78
TOTAL			2640.13	244.22	2884.35

Proposed: Cllr Huxley

Seconded: Cllr Roberts

All councillors agreed.

25. TO RECEIVE FINANCIAL STATEMENT TO 30TH JUNE

The clerk reported that she had been unable to produce the financial statement to the end of June as she was currently unable to access the online banking as the pin card had expired. Lloyds are sending out a replacement.

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

Newsletter – Cllr Haviland reminded everyone that all commercial ventures now have to pay for advertisements in the Newsletter

FYT Bus –Cllr East reported that the new route D FYT Bus service now also serving Norton Green is going well.

IWC Infrastructure seminar – Cllr East attending this seminar which was not very well attended. The seminar was in Ryde and it was felt that this is not a central location. It was agreed to have this as an agenda item at the next meeting

27. CORRESPONDENCE:

Footpath BS104 Following last months query regarding this footpath a response has been received from the Rights of Way department stating that this footpath is closed every winter and re-opened about March. It has been open to all traffic since 1991.

Tree in Conservation Area – Berry Barnes, Brighstone, permission to fell a horse chestnut and removal of first lateral limb of a horse chestnut.

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

Overgrown hedges – Concern was raised about overgrowing hedges into the roads and the quality of verge cutting undertaken by Island Roads – It was agreed to have this as an agenda item.

Cemetery grass cutting – It was reported that damage had been done to one of the items placed at an ashes plot by the grass contractors.

Recreation Ground dog exercising – It was reported that a local lady had experienced threatening dogs while in the Recreation Ground and was then made to feel uncomfortable by the owner.

31. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

Main Parish Council meeting on Wednesday 8th August at 7.30pm at the Seely Hall in **Brook**.

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked everyone for attending, and closed the Meeting at 8.35pm.