

**MINUTES OF BRIGHSTONE PARISH COUNCIL'S MEETING HELD IN BRIGHSTONE  
METHODIST CHURCH ON WEDNESDAY 9<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2019 AT 7.30PM.**

**PRESENT:** Cllr J Cirrone (Chairman), Cllr M East, Cllr S Roberts, Cllr P Adams, Cllr J Morgan,  
Cllr R Haviland and Cllr C Bridges  
Ward Councillor Steve Hastings  
Mrs Joy Walker (Clerk)  
Two members of the public were present.

The Chairman welcomed everyone.

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.**

Cllr M Huxley

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.**

To be declared as appropriate at agenda items.

**3. MINUTES.**

The Minutes of the Full Council Meeting of 12<sup>th</sup> December 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. Asset of Community Value application: A decision on the application regarding The Three Bishops had been received and the application had been successful.

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

A member of the public raised two concerns regarding road flooding. Firstly the water covering half of the road near to recent drainage work on the Military Road, secondly a large pond of water causing a lifted manhole cover in New Road. He also commented concerning brambles which were encroaching onto the road at Brighstone Shute.

Concerns were also raised regarding the state the verges on the Military Road had been left after recent roadworks.

It was agreed to write to Island Roads regarding the verges, brambles and flooding on the Military Road and to Southern Water regarding the manhole cover in New Road.

**6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.**

There were no planning applications to discuss.

**7. TO RECEIVE PLANNING DECISIONS.**

The following planning applications have been granted planning permission from the Isle of Wight Council:

**TW/0411/18** Ford Cottage, Main Road, Brighstone. To raise the crown of the Alder tree by 3.50 metres.

**TW/0458/18** Brook Hill Farm, Hulverstone. T1 Willow to be pollarded. T2 Cupressus to be felled to near ground level.

**TW/0453/18** The Old Rectory, Rectory Lane, Brighstone. Hawthorn to be felled to near ground level. 3 x Bays to be reduced to hedge height. Holm Oak to be reduced by 30% of its current crown size and thinned by 20%. Eucalyptus to have limb growing over the neighbours property removed. Sycamores to have crown raised by 3 metres and the crown reduced from the pond.

**TW/0462/18** Hulverstone Farm, Brighstone. To pollard eucalyptus tree back to previous pollard points.

**TW/0466/18** Brook Villa, Main Road, Brook. To fell the line 3 of the Leyland cypress trees to near ground level.

**TW/0433/18** Lime Tree House, 6 Woodside Drive, Upper Lane, Brighstone. To pollard 3 Lime trees as described in the application.

**TW/0485/18** Elm Place, Upper Lane, Brighstone. To reduce the Hornbeam situated as detailed by the application by 30% to strong growth points that are at least one third the diameter of the adjacent pruning cut.

**TW/0486/18** 1 Myrtle Cottages, Brook Village Road, Brighstone. To reduce the eastern stem of the Holm detailed in the application to the first bifurcation.

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

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January at Brighstone Methodist Church at 7.45pm.

**9. TO DISCUSS THE CAR PARK THAT HAS APPEARED ON MILL LANE.**

A letter had been sent to the planning department. To date there had been no reply.

**10. TO DISCUSS VEHICLE SPEED IN BRIGHSTONE**

There would be a meeting of the Road Safety forum on 11<sup>th</sup> February. Attendance at this was by invitation only. Cllr S Hastings had been invited and would attend. He would then report back to the Parish Council.

**11. TO DISCUSS LOCATION OF BEST KEPT VILLAGE AWARDS BENCH**

The bench was currently at Honnor and Jeffrey`s Dulverton centre near Sandown. Delivery would be arranged ready for installation.

**12. TO DISCUSS THE POSSIBLE ENCROACHMENT ON THE RECREATION GROUND.**

The solicitor had been contacted and would be writing to the Clerk. Councillors discussed the Parish Council had been clearing and maintaining the ditch for at least the past 20 years and would write to the solicitor to seek advice if this was enough grounds to ask for the fence to be removed.

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

The Isle of Wight Planning Enforcement Officer will revisit the site in February. The matter will then be discussed after the Officer`s report has been received.

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

Cllr S Roberts signed the Declaration of Interests Book and left the meeting.

A planning application has been received by the Isle of Wight Planning Office. At the time of the Parish Council Meeting no full details are available. The Planning Department would be asked if all the reserved matters have been satisfied if this a full planning application. The application would be discussed at the Parish Council Planning meeting on 23<sup>rd</sup> January.

**15. UPDATES REGARDING THE COMMUNITY LIBRARY –INCLUDING ALLOCATION OF ELECTRICITY INVOICES WITH THE MUSEUM.**

To avoid the `on line` issues of opening a bank account it was agreed to look at other named banks to open the Library bank account in addition to the bank normally used by the Parish Council.

**16. TO DISCUSS ISLAND PLAN AND THE COST AND NEED OF A PUBLIC MEETING.**

The Parish Council had a copy of the plan in which there appeared to be a lack of infrastructure for the proposals contained within it. There appeared to have been no major publicity regarding the Island Plan. It was agreed to call a Public Meeting on 30<sup>th</sup> January to inform residents of the impact it may have on the Parish and Island in general and invite them to comment.

**17. TO DISCUSS THE NEED TO UPDATE THE HOUSING NEED SURVEY.**

The current survey expires this year 2019. It was decided to contact members who helped with the Neighbourhood Plan to assist again and possibly to seek independent advice when compiling the findings of the survey.

## 18. TO RECEIVE IW COUNCILLOR'S REPORT.

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

With reference to Mottistone Mill and Right of Way – the Parish Council had rejected the application. However Cllr Hastings was happy to come to a meeting with the owner if a new application had been put in.

Following a County Council Cabinet Planning Meeting he was pleased to report that planning on derelict properties would now be revoked.

Cllr Hastings would investigate the rumour of the PFI saving £2m by not maintain the Military Road.

He would also look into if the Isle of Wight Council invested money into the replanting of Brook Hill Chute.

## 19. RISK ASSESSMENT CHECKS FOR DECEMBER.

Risk assessment checks were all correct. Cemetery registers are up to date.

## 20. TO CONSIDER THE THIRD DRAFT OF THE 2019/2020 BUDGET.

The clerk distributed the third draft of the 2019/20 budget.

There had been two changes made to the second draft. There would need to be a Tree Survey in Spring 2020 and the Housing Need Survey would need to be updated. The proposed increase to the budget of 4.5% for this was unacceptable. Savings were made by reducing the amounts to the Contingency Plan and the Provision for the Enforcement Officer. This reduced the overall increase for 2019/20 to 1.57%. This was acceptable and could be submitted to the Isle of Wight Council.

Proposed : Cllr R Haviland    Seconded : Cllr S Roberts    All councillors agreed.

## 21. TO CONFIRM AND AGREE ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT:

Chq No.	To	Description	Net	VAT	Gross
1827	Dryad Woodland Enterprise	Tree Felling Buddle Brook	285.00	0.00	285.00
1828	Mrs S Jennings	December Salary	808.77	0.00	808.77
1829	Mrs J Walker	December Salary	738.96	0.00	738.96
1830	SSE Southern Electric	Public Toilet Electricity Invoice	0.85	0.90	1.75
1831	The Village Shop	Christmas Tree	81.72	3.27	84.99
	D/d Pension payment		16.78	0.00	16.78
	D/d Pension payment		12.70	0.00	12.70
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>1944.78</b>	<b>4.17</b>	<b>1948.95</b>

Proposed: Cllr. East

Seconded: Cllr.Adams

All councillors agreed

## 22. TO RECEIVE FINANCIAL STATEMENT TO 31<sup>st</sup> December.

The Clerk apologised the financial statement had not been prepared but provided cash flow reports for both November and December 2019.

## 23. TO DISCUSS THE TERMS OF REFERENCE AND FINANCING FOR THE WEST WIGHT COUNCIL GROUPS.

Nothing had been finalised and would be brought back to the next meeting.

## 24. TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES.

**Newsletter** – A backup plan was needed for the editorial and deliveries should the persons doing this be unable to continue. A possible solution for deliveries would be for residents to collect from the village shop and church.

## 25. CORRESPONDENCE:

An email had been received from Jill Webster offering help with writing reports for the newspaper etc. This would be an agenda item for next month.

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

**Three Bishops** – the landlord`s solicitor was ill so there were no further reports.

**Hulverstone Lane** – A Councillor reported the use of a field for a horse rescue centre and disturbance of dirt into mound.. Agenda item for the next meeting

**Broken post and chains on Brook Green** – there will be an item on the next agenda to discuss maintenance items.

**Christmas Tree Festival** – there had been an article on this in My Weekly magazine.

**Defibrillator** – there was now one at the Sun Inn, Hulverstone.

**Men In Sheds** – would be coming to the next Parish Council meeting.

**27. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:**

Main Parish Council meeting on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2019 at 7.30pm at the Brighstone Methodist Church.

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked everyone for attending, and closed the Meeting at 9.15pm.