

**MINUTES OF BRIGHSTONE PARISH COUNCIL'S MEETING HELD IN THE METHODIST CHURCH, BRIGHSTONE ON WEDNESDAY 5TH JUNE 2019 AT 7.30PM.**

**PRESENT:** Cllr J Cirrone (Chairman), Cllr M East, Cllr R Haviland, Cllr P Adams, Cllr S Roberts, Cllr M Huxley and Cllr C Bridges  
Ward Cllr. Steve Hastings  
Mrs Joy Walker (clerk)  
Two 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 Annual Parish and Full Council Meeting of the 8<sup>th</sup> May 2019, having been previously circulated and read, were confirmed as a correct record, and signed by the Chairman.

The Minutes of the Planning Meeting of the 21<sup>st</sup> May 2019 having been previously circulated and read, were confirmed as a correct record, and signed by the Chairman.

**4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES.**

None.

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

None.

**6. CLERK'S REPORT AND UPDATES.**

- i) Encroachment on the Recreation Ground:- the solicitor had written again to the owners` solicitor but to date had not received a reply.
- ii) Update –The Guet:- no further information had been received. Cllr S Hastings reported the Enforcement Officer had been scheduled to return to the Guet on 20<sup>th</sup> May but he had not received any update from this. He would now arrange a meeting with the Head of Enforcement and request another Enforcement Officer take the matter over. To be an agenda item for the next Parish Council Meeting.
- iii) Update regarding the fallen tree on the Recreation Ground:- the tree had now been removed.
- iv) Update Parish Insurance Renewal:- this had now been renewed and paid.

**7. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.**

There were no Planning Applications to discuss.

**8. TO RECEIVE PLANNING DECISIONS.**

**P/00358/19 Chine Farm Campsite, Military Road, Brighstone.** Lawful Development Certificate for proposed use/development. To confirm that mobile homes permitted by planning permission TCP/15435/S/22723 can be stationed on the site all year round and touring caravans and tented camping can be stationed on site between 1<sup>st</sup> March and 31<sup>st</sup> October in each year.

**Refused** Planning Permission.

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

There will be a mid-month planning meeting on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June, to start at 7.30pm.

**10. TO DISCUSS THE QUOTATION FOR THE PLAY AREA FENCE REPAIRS.**

Quotes were still being requested. It was proposed in the meanwhile to replace the worst posts to make the fence secure particularly on the brook edge. To be an agenda item at the next Parish Council meeting.

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

The Playground Inspection Report had been received and would be an agenda item at the next Parish Council Meeting.

**11. TO DISCUSS AND UPDATE THE NUMBER 12 BUS SERVICE AND FYT ROUTE.**

No further information had been received since the meeting with Southern Vectis when they proposed an initial night bus service to Alum Bay payable by the Parish Council. This would be of little use, the potential link being a bus service to Yarmouth and the possibility of linking with the Yarmouth to Lymington ferry service and onward train. This would possibly be worth investing in. The bus service through Brighstone was almost “off grid” and needed to be part of the Island Plan.

The FYT Route D (Brighstone and Shorwell) was no longer running.

**12. TO DISCUSS AND UPDATE THE OVERGROWN BANKS BY THE STREAM.**

The Environment Agency had been contacted and confirmed Brighstone Brook was classed as a river and they would manage the flood risk for this. The Parish Council would be able to clear the stream of overgrown rushes etc. since the maintenance of the stream was the responsibility of the owner whose land it ran through or adjoined. However anything placed in the stream which would possibly alter the course of the water would need a Flood Risk Activities Permit (FRAP). This would apply to the proposed placing of faggots to prevent bank erosion. Cllr M Huxley would liaise with the Clerk on this. The Probation Service had been contacted and were willing to assist in clearing the stream and bank.

**13. TO RECEIVE THE INTERNAL AUDITORS REPORT AND CONFIRM ALL PROCEDURES HAVE BEEN CARRIED OUT.**

Proposed : Cllr M East      Seconded: Cllr S Roberts      All Councillors agreed.

**14. TO APPROVE AND SIGN THE ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT 2018/19**

A copy of the Annual Governance statement had been prior distributed to Councillors.

All Councillors agreed each of the Annual Governance Statements and the Chairman and Clerk signed the declaration.

Proposed: Cllr M East.      Seconded: Cllr P Adams      All Councillors agreed.

**11. TO APPROVE AND SIGN THE ACCOUNT STATEMENTS FOR 2018/19.**

A copy of the Accounts Statement had been prior distributed to Councillors.

All Councillors agreed the figures and the Chairman and Clerk signed the declaration.

Proposed: Cllr M East      Seconded: Cllr S Roberts      All Councillors agreed.

**16. TO DISCUSS THE POSSIBILITY OF A DOG BIN AT ASHLEY WAY.**

It was agreed a dog bin would be provided at Ashley Way due to the nearest available dog bin being some distance away at the Recreation Ground. The Dog Warden would also be asked to patrol the area more regularly. This would be put in the Newsletter.

Proposed: Cllr R Haviland      Seconded: Cllr M Huxley      All Councillors agreed.

**17. TO DISCUSS THE PROPOSED MOVING BY THE HIGHWAYS DEPARTMENT OF THE BUS STOP AT MOTTISTONE ESTATE.**

The Parish Council supported this and thought it a sensible move. It was strongly recommended that a hardstanding be provided to avoid standing on a bank at the entrance to Mottistone Manor car park and being a well used area.

**18. TO DISCUSS ANY UPDATE ON THE APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF RESERVED MATTERS ON BLANCHARDS FIELD.**

No further updates had been received. This would be kept as an agenda item.

**19. TO DISCUSS COSTS FOR THE IMPROVED DISABLED ACCESS RAMP AND DRAINAGE WORK AROUND WARNES LANE TOILET AREA.**

Unfortunately the proposal did not qualify for the Grant. A sensible quote had been received of £985 for the work required around the toilet area to prevent water flooding and create improved disabled access. Hooks on the doors would also be provided, 2 in the Ladies and 1 in the Gents.

Proposed: Cllr R Haviland      Seconded: Cllr M Huxley      All Councillors agreed.

**20. TO DISCUSS AND UPDATE REFILL ISLE OF WIGHT SCHEME.**

A quote for installing an outside tap at the toilets had been received. There was an increase to the original cost mainly due to the cost of the specialised tap which needed to be used. It was agreed to have the tap fitted. Island Roads would be asked if the previous Bottle Bank sign could be reused and the wording changed to "Water Refill Site".

Proposed: Cllr S Roberts      Seconded: Cllr R Haviland      All Councillors agreed

**21. TO DISCUSS THE RIGHT OF WAY SIGN AT PITT PLACE.**

The Byways Department confirmed that Pitt Place Lane had not a change in status and had always been classed as a Byway and have been lawfully able to use it for many decades. It has never been classed as a Bridleway. Any offences from motor vehicles should therefore be reported to the Police. It was discussed the possibility of changing this from a Byway to a Bridleway but it was felt this needed to be requested by local Parishioners. To be an agenda item at the next Parish Council meeting.

**22. TO DISCUSS THE TENNIS CLUB REQUEST TO EXTEND OR REPLACE THEIR CLUB HOUSE AND IMPROVE THEIR FACILITIES.**

The Tennis Club were discussing with the Recreation Ground Committee the possibility of moving the tennis courts to be by the side of the Pavilion which would be upgraded. It was noted that the Lease to the Recreation Ground Committee would end in 2027 and due to the short length left on the lease it may not be possible to gain any Grants available.

**23. TO RECEIVE ISLE OF WIGHT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT.**

Cllr Hastings provided a written report which had been prior distributed. Cllr Hastings stressed the importance of the school closures in West Wight, that no definite decision had been made and residents needed to fill in the survey to help protect Brighstone School from closure. An item regarding this would be put in the Newsletter.

**24. RISK ASSESSMENT CHECKS FOR JUNE.**

Risk assessment checks were up to date. A bench on Hunnyhill needed repair to the broken arm.

## 25. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT:

Cllr M Huxley declared a pecuniary interest, signed the Declarations of Interest book and left the room.

Chq No.	To	Description	NET	VAT	Gross
1862	N W Adams	Playground Inspection	153.20	30.64	183.84
1863	Groundsell Contracting	Grass Cutting April	725.00	145.00	870.00
1864	B R Townsend	Internal Audit	119.00	0.00	119.00
1865	Island Cleaning Solutions	Toilet Cleaning May 2019	286.00	57.20	343.20
1866	Dryad Woodland Enterprise	Tree Maintenance Wilses / Ashley Way	200.00	0.00	200.00
1867	J A Cirrone	Reimbursement Printer Ink	26.00	0.00	26.00
1868	Mrs J Walker	Reimbursement Printer Ink & Drum	107.99	21.60	129.59
1869	Mrs J Walker	Salary May 2019	741.00	0.00	741.00
1870	Brightstone Methodist Church	Room Hire April, May, June	56.00	0.00	56.00
D/debit	Pension payment	Mrs J Walker	18.64	0.00	18.64
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>2432.83</b>	<b>254.44</b>	<b>2687.27</b>

It was agreed to pay the invoice of £113.52 for the Library water heater which had to be replaced. This is to be taken from Library funds.

Proposed: Cllr R Haviland

Seconded: Cllr P Adams

All Councillors agreed.

## 26. TO RECEIVE FINANCIAL STATEMENT TO 31<sup>ST</sup> MAY 2019.

The Financial Statement had been prepared and circulated to the Parish Councillors prior to the meeting. There were no issues arising.

## 27. TO DISCUSS AND APPROVE THE NALC PAY INCREASE FOR CLERKS.

The Clerk declared a pecuniary interest, signed the Declarations of Interest book and left the room. The NALC pay increase as agreed. In addition the Clerk was awarded an increase in scale of salary which would be back dated to April when the new pay scales came into force.

Proposed: Cllr R Haviland

Seconded: Cllr S Roberts

All Councillors agreed.

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

**Newsletter** – Cllr R Haviland reported the Newsletter AGM had taken place and those elected were now in their positions. Finances were looking good.

**FYT Bus** – Cllr M East was no longer a committee member and could no longer report.

**Public Toilets** – Cllr P Adams had received several compliments from visitors on the cleanliness and standard of the toilets.

## 29. CORRESPONDENCE:

A letter had been received from a resident concerned about the fly tipping in Muggleton Lane. The Clerk would write to the Isle of Wight Council regarding this.

There was no other correspondence.

## 30. OTHER MATTERS MEMBERS MAY WISH TO RAISE.

- The triangle at Wicken Hill Lane was overgrown. To be an agenda item at the next Parish Council meeting.

- Visibility was poor due to overgrown hedges at the junction of Strawberry Lane and the main road looking West. Island Roads would be contacted.

- Grant funding for sporting activities was available. Funding for an outdoor gym on the Recreation Ground was a possibility. To be an agenda item at the next Parish Council meeting.
- The electricity contract for the public toilets was due for renewal. It was agreed that other quotes would be looked at and, due to the lack of time available to renew the existing contract, the final decision regarding the future electricity supplier would rest with the Chairman. All Councillors agreed.
- Cllr S Roberts would clear the weeds from the village signs as you enter Brighstone.
- A local resident who acts as an Environmental Consultant gave an interesting presentation regarding the new 5G system He spoke of the possible harmful effects from the emissions produced, the lack of data, risk and impact assessment and overall lack of legislation concerning sighting of masts and equipment. He asked that smaller Parish Councils write to the Isle of Wight Council asking them to inform the public and arrange a large meeting for Public discussion. The Chairman thanked him for his presentation. It was suggested he contact IWALC who would then make representation to the Isle of Wight Council with any concerns they may have. Cllr S Hastings was already in discussion regarding the 5G subject.

**31. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:**

Main Parish Council meeting on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July at 7.30pm at Brighstone Methodist Church.

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked everyone for attending, and closed the Meeting at 9.18pm.