

MINUTES OF BRIGHSTONE PARISH COUNCIL'S MEETING HELD IN THE METHODIST CHURCH, BRIGHSTONE ON WEDNESDAY 13th NOVEMBER 2019 AT 7.30PM.

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

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Cllr R Haviland

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

To be declared as appropriate at agenda items.

Cllr S Roberts signed as an employee of the IOW Council.

3. MINUTES.

The Minutes of the Full Council Meeting of the 9th October 2019, having been previously circulated and read, were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

The Minutes of the Cemetery Committee Meeting of the 9th October 2019, having been previously circulated and read, were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

The Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting of the 22nd October 2019, having been previously circulated and read, were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

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

A resident commented the flashing 30mph sign was not working.

5. CLERK'S REPORT AND UPDATES.

i) Dip in the road at Limerstone: The badger damage had been repaired but the dip in the road now seemed worse. Island Roads would be contacted.

ii) To confirm signing of the Declarations of Interest Book for IOW Council employees: It had been advised that IOW Council employees should sign this at the start of all Parish Council meetings.

6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

The Chairman agreed to amend the order within this agenda item to allow for the applicant from Wolvesley to leave early.

19/01226/FUL Wolvesley, New Road, Brighstone. Change of use of part of ground floor from residential to café/tearoom; single storey extension to form dwelling (revised scheme). The applicant, present at the meeting, explained there was only a small change to the roof to allow for the amended internal layout to open plan. There were No Objections.

P/00070/19 Wellgrounds, Moor Lane, Brighstone. Outline for 5 residential units with parking (revised Plans). Drainage was still a major issue with the possibility of foul water and sewage being pumped uphill. There were already problems with the sewers with Environmental Health already called twice in the past week. It was recommended that there should be a site visit following the recent heavy rainfall. There was clearly no identified need for housing on this site. The Parish Council Strongly Object.

19/01154/HOU The Old Parsonage, Hoxall Lane, Mottistone. Conversion of existing barn to holiday annexe. There were No Objections.

7. TO RECEIVE PLANNING DECISIONS.

19/00791/HOU Watersmeet, New Road, Brighstone. Replacement flat roof to rear.

GRANTED Permission.

TPO/1952/2 G12 3 Woodlands, Brighstone. Trimming of branches overhanging highway.

GRANTED Permission

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

There will be a mid-month planning meeting on Tuesday 26th November, to start at 7.30pm.

9. TO DISCUSS THE REMOVAL OF THE BT TELEPHONE BOX IN BRIGHSTONE OR ALTERNATIVES.

Several residents had raised concerns. The cost of the Parish Council maintaining the phone box would be looked at and discussed at the next Planning meeting.

10. TO DISCUSS AND UPDATE THE GUET IN LIMERSTONE.

Due to lack of action Cllr Hastings had again spoken to the Head of Enforcement who stated the property owner would be served with a planning notice PCN.

11. TO DISCUSS THE POSSIBLE NEED OF RE-WIDENING THE STREAM THROUGH THE VILLAGE TO PREVENT POSSIBLE FLOODING.

This would be an agenda item for the next meeting to allow for further consultation.

12. TO DISCUSS THE EXTRA WORK BY THE PROBATION SERVICE TO CLEAR THE STREAM INCLUDING CONTACTING RIGHTS OF WAY REGARDING CUTTING THE BAMBOO.

It was agreed to continue with the Probation Service programme at a cost of £80 per day and to remove the bamboo which was now very overgrown.

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

The Environmental Agency would be contacted to advise the best ways of protecting the banks for residents whose property adjoined the stream.

13. TO DISCUSS NEW COSTS FOR REPLACEMENT FENCING AROUND THE PLAY AREA ON THE RECREATION GROUND AND TO RECEIVE ANY IDEAS FOR NEW ACTIVITIES ALSO ON THE RECREATION GROUND.

It was agreed the play area should be fully enclosed after several concerns were raised regarding leaving as an open plan area. All Councillors agreed to quotes being obtained to replace the fence along the stream, which would be extended to include an area to the bridge, with wood and concrete spurs, the cost of hedging to the other three sides and replacement of the two gates and supporting posts. Several suggestions had been received for future activities. Councillors will meet to discuss where activities would be best placed. This would be an agenda item at the next Parish Council meeting.

14. TO DISCUSS AND UPDATE THE HOUSING NEEDS SURVEY.

The results were currently being collated. This would be an agenda item at the next Parish Council meeting.

15. TO DISCUSS A POSSIBLE SECOND PERSON TO ASSIST WITH THE FACEBOOK PAGE.

IWALC would be contacted for advice on any regulations regarding this. This would be an agenda item at the next Parish Council meeting.

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

Nothing further had been received.

17. TO DISCUSS AND UPDATE THE POSSIBLE ENCROACHMENT ON THE RECREATION GROUND.

A reply had been received from the solicitor, copies of which had been given to the Councillors. The solicitor suggested a site meeting with the property owner to try to resolve the issue. The solicitor would be contacted to arrange this.

18. TO DISCUSS GRANT FUNDING FOR THE MEN IN SHEDS.

The criteria for grant funding needed to be met ie. a bank account and Terms of Reference. It was agreed if this is met a grant of £400 would be given. As a condition the Parish Council would need to know how the money would be spent.

Proposed: Cllr J Cirrone

Seconded: Cllr M Huxley

All Councillors agreed.

19. TO DISCUSS THE POSSIBILITY OF BRINGING FORWARD THE RENEWAL OF THE LEASE ON THE RECREATION GROUND.

Copies of the lease had been given to the solicitor. This would be an agenda item at the next Parish Council meeting.

20. TO DISCUSS THE REQUEST TO MOVE THE FOOTPATH AROUND MOTTISTONE MILL FOLLOWING PARISH COUNCILLORS' VISIT.

Following a site visit by five Councillors in which one Councillor sunk up to their knees in the mire, it was decided the proposed route was unsuitable. Fears were raised that horses could go off into the waterlogged ground. The 15 year maintenance responsibility by the owner was not long enough and a 25 year period was suggested. As stated previously, the Public would not be able to enjoy the visual historic value of the building.

Proposed: Cllr C Bridges

Seconded: Cllr M Huxley

All Councillors agreed.

21. TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE THIRD PLACE ACHIEVED FOR THE DRAGON TREE IN THE RECENT COMPETITION.

The area around the tree was overgrown and should now be cleared. This would be an agenda item at the next Parish Council meeting.

22. TO DISCUSS LIBRARY FINANCES INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS AND TO AGREE ON PAYMENT FOR LIBRARY GARDEN WASTE.

A Financial Statement for the Library had been prior distributed. It was agreed to transfer the funds into the Library Account.

Proposed: Cllr S Roberts

Seconded: Cllr P Adams

All Councillors agreed

Costs for collecting the garden waste had been provided. It was suggested to look at costs from the IOW Council to compare.

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

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

24. RISK ASSESSMENT CHECKS FOR NOVEMBER.

A tree had fallen near the Dragon Tree. Rights of Way had been informed.

25. TO CONSIDER THE FIRST DRAFT OF THE 2020/21 BUDGET.

This had been prepared and circulated to the Parish Councillors prior to the meeting. The length of contracts for cleaning the public toilets and the amenity grass cutting would be checked and also any National increase to Clerks` salaries.

26. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT:

Ch No.	To	Description	Net	VAT	Gross	
1912	Island Cleaning Solutions	Toilet Cleaning October 2019	286.00	57.20	343.20	
1913	Waytes Court Farm	Removal Of Stream Waste	50.00	0.00	50.00	
1914	Mrs A Russelll	Flowers Bristish Legion Memorial	10.47	0.00	10.47	
1915	Mrs J Walker	Salary October 2019	915.68	0.00	915.68	
1916	Mrs J Walker	Reimbursement Postage	15.47	0.00	15.47	
1917	Groundsell Contracting Ltd	Grass Cutting October 2019	700.00	140.00	840.00	
1918	Brighstone Landscaping Ltd	Drainage Work Warnes Lane Toilets	895.00	179.00	1074.00	
1919	Dryad Woodland Enterprise	Pollarding Willow Tree Brook Green	300.00	0.00	300.00	
		Fitting Balance Beam Recreation				
1920	N Corney	Ground	200.00	0.00	200.00	
		Balance Pole Play Area Recreation				
1921	County Fencing Supplies	Ground	70.00	14.00	84.00	
1922	Hants & IOW CRC Ltd	Brighstone Stream Clearance	240.00	0.00	240.00	
Direct debit	Pension payment	Mrs J Walker	34.48	0.00	34.48	
TOTAL			3717.10	390.20	4107.30	
Library Account						
	1	Business Stream	Water Library	37.09	0.00	37.09
	2	Norma Bradley	Christmas Trees Library	99.50	19.90	119.40
TOTAL			136.59	19.90	156.49	

Proposed: Cllr M East

Seconded: Cllr S Roberts

All Councillors agreed.

27. TO RECEIVE FINANCIAL STATEMENT TO 31st OCTOBER 2019.

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

28. TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES.

- Councillor announced that with the Library now in a good place he will be standing down as Chairman of the Library Committee at the Community Library`s next AGM. There were no other reports.

29. CORRESPONDENCE:

- A letter had been received from the British Legion asking for a possible donation for the Isle of Wight Armed Forces Day 2020. To be an agenda item at the next Parish Council meeting.
- St John Ambulance are offering free training in the community for basic resuscitation skills and use of a defibrillator. They would be contacted to find dates available.

30. OTHER MATTERS MEMBERS MAY WISH TO RAISE.

- A banner had appeared in the village which appeared to be a commercial advert. Regulations regarding displaying this would be looked at.
- LAG had issued guidance on a new model for Councillor Code of Conduct.
- Environmental Health had been contacted following a spill of raw sewage in two places in New Road.
- There was a dip in the road opposite the Church. Island Roads would be contacted.
- The Parish Council representative did not attend the meeting at the Wilberforce Hall.
- There had been complaints regarding the cleanliness of the public toilets. The cleaner would be contacted.
- The lamp in Warnes Lane was emitting too much light and needed changing. To be an agenda item at the next Parish Council meeting.

31. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

Main Parish Council meeting on Wednesday 11th December at 7.30pm at Brighstone Methodist Church

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked everyone for attending, and closed the Meeting at 10.08pm.