

**MINUTES OF BRIGHSTONE PARISH COUNCIL'S MEETING HELD ON
WEDNESDAY 12th AUGUST 2020**

Due to Government Advice as a result of the Coronavirus Covid-19 the meeting was unable to be held in person. The meeting was held virtually by Zoom.

PRESENT : Cllr J Cirrone (Chairman), Cllr M East, Cllr R Haviland, Cllr S Roberts, Cllr J Morgan, Cllr M Huxley and Cllr C Bridges.
Ward Cllr Steve Hastings
Mrs J Walker (Clerk & Registrar)

One member of the Public joined the meeting.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE : Cllr P Adams

2. DECLARATIONS OF ANY INTERESTS TO BE DECLARED VERBALLY.

Cllr S Roberts Declared an Interest as an employee of the IOW Council.

3. MINUTES.

The Minutes of the Full Council Meeting of the 8th July 2020, 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 21st July 2020, 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.

Correspondence had been received regarding the partition of land at The Bungalow, Main Road, Brighstone, where land had been cleared and tons of chalk deposited by small dumper truck and digger via access across private garage land and Public footpath BS40.

Planning and Enforcement had been informed and were looking into the matter.

5. CLERK'S REPORT AND UPDATES.

Recreation Ground Bank Accounts

The bank accounts have now been closed and monies transferred to the Parish Council account. The Recreation Ground amount of £1938.20 will be ring fenced and Pavilion monies £548.39 can be used to support the running costs of the building. The Charity Status can now be closed.

Electricity Accounts

This is still in progress. There is an issue with the Library which is currently in the National Trust name and cannot be changed without their permission. They have been asked to contact Scottish Power requesting they allow for a change of supplier and contract name change to Brighstone Parish Council.

Legal Insurance

DAS Legal have confirmed the Parish Council would be insured for up to £200,000 for legal action. However in the case concerned they would assess the legal argument and the likely hood of winning which would have to be 51%. If it was unlikely to win then they would not encourage any form of legal action and possibly not accept any legal insurance claim.

Motocross Site at Mottistone

A Temporary Stop Notice has been served effective from 24th July 2020 which prohibits the use of the land for Motor Cross events for 28 days. They will be issuing an Enforcement Notice on 21st August which will seek the cessation of the use of the land for Motor Cross. The Planning Authority will send an update when the notice has been served.

Play Area

This is now open and advice notices for users in place.

Telephone Box

The telephone Box in Brighstone is due to be removed only averaging 5 calls per month. The Parish Council can appeal against this decision.

Other Updates

Island Roads have been contacted requesting the District Steward revisit the junction of New Road and Main Road following the siting of a skip in the churchyard further reducing visibility.

6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

Cllr M East Declared an Interest for applications regarding Chine Farm.

20/01044/CLEUD Caravan Park, Chine Farm, Military Road, Brighstone. Lawful Development Certificate for siting of a caravan used as a single dwelling house (use Class C3).

20/01045/CLEUD Sea View, Military Road, Brighstone. Lawful Development Certificate for continued use of a building as a single dwelling.

Both the above applications were linked and considered together. The applicant wanted to use the one caravan as a permanent home and replace the other caravan with a small building to be used for a permanent home. Both were for family use for his children. Councillors had NO OBJECTION to either application provided they were not used as additional holiday lettings. This would help keep young families in the Parish.

20/01130/CLEUD Caravan Park, Chine Farm, Military Road, Brighstone. Certificate of Lawfulness of Existing Use or Development under Section 191 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 to confirm that the use of the site has been in breach of Condition 3 of planning permission reference TCP/15435/S/22723 for more than 10 years and that static caravans can now be stationed on the site all year round and touring caravans and tented camping also permitted by that permission can be stationed on the site between 1st March to 31st October in each year at Chine Farm Caravan Park, Military Road, Atherfield, Ventnor.

The site had always been known as Chine Farm Camping Site for camping and travelling touring caravans and camper vans. The front field was used for overspill. Councillors resolved that static caravans with a 52 week occupancy should not be allowed on the site. This could be construed as cheap housing. There were no permanent buildings already on site and no facilities to take away sewage and waste. The entrance onto the Military Road would need improving for visibility and hard roads would be needed inside the site where the ground would become too wet in winter for vehicles. The site was also in the AONB SSI. An extension to opening times for camping was also questionable. Councillors agreed to OBJECT to the application.

20/01075/FUL Land Adjacent Tip Top, Moortown Lane, Brighstone. Proposed detached bungalow; formation of vehicular access. A concern was raised regarding visibility of the drive entrance. Also if there was a need for a new property of this size in the Village. However there were NO OBJECTIONS to the application.

7. TO RECEIVE PLANNING DECISIONS

20/00693/HOU Wisteria, Upper Lane, Brighstone. Demolition of conservatory; proposed ground floor rear extension; replacement conservatory on eastern elevation; replacement roof to form additional accommodation at first floor level to include dormer window and Juliet balcony.

GRANTED

20/00836/TW Willowmead, Main Road, Brighstone. Eucalyptus crown reduced to 20% of its current capacity and the crown lifted over the grass by approximately 1 metre and cut back to clear driveway entrance. NOT OBJECTED TO.

20/00589/TW Lorien, Brook Village Road, Brighstone. Bay tree to be reduced in height on the boundary between Lorien and Holm Bunny to approx.1m above the gutter-line of Lorien, trim/reshape to improve form and remove deadwood throughout. NOT OBJECTED TO.

8. TO DISCUSS HOW WE CONSULT WITH THE PARISH REGARDING THE PROPOSED DIAMOND MOTORCYCLE RACE.

The Chairman of Niton and Whitwell Parish Council joined the meeting as an interested party of the event.

A Zoom meeting held by the IOW Council and the Promoters had been attended by the Chairman, Vice Chairman and Clerk. The format of the race was explained which would be one race day and two practice days the previous week. The event was considered by the IOW Council to be good for tourism and the economy of the Island overall. Prior to the meeting a copy of the Risk Assessment had been requested. This was currently unavailable due to not being complete. Councillors requested we ask for a copy of the Minutes of this meeting.

It was considered there had been complete lack of respect for the Parish Councils concerned who should have been consulted first before the event became public. A letter sent to householders had not been received by all properties. An onslaught of emails and letters had been received from residents.

It was suggested the Promoters hold a Roadshow to inform residents. The Pavilion, which could be made Covid secure, could be used as a suitable venue. Posters provided by the Promoters would advertise the Roadshow. Residents from Shorwell could also be invited. All information regarding the race including a full Business Plan should be given to the Parish Council at a meeting with the Promoters prior to the presentation.

Following the presentation a full consultation survey should be sent to all householders in the Parish to gather their opinions. This would allow the residents to consider if they wanted the event. The final decision being with what Parishioners wanted.

9. TO DISCUSS AND AGREE THE LICENCE TO OPERATE FOR THE TENNIS CLUB.

Councillors agreed the terms of the Licence to Operate received from the solicitor. The Licence would be sent to the Tennis Club with all costs incurred for providing the Licence to be paid by the Tennis Club.

10. TO DISCUSS THE COSTS OF REPAIRING THE BRIDGE ACROSS THE BROOK TO THE TENNIS CLUB.

The bridge needed to be completely replaced due to the state of the supports. Two quotes had been received. Councillors agreed to quote B.

Proposed: Cllr R Haviland

Seconded: Cllr M East

All Councillors agreed

11. TO DISCUSS THE WAY FORWARD REGARDING THE ENCROACHMENT ON THE RECREATION GROUND.

It was proposed that the solicitor be asked to communicate to the resident the following:-

-The Parish Council asserts its ownership of the ditch as it is on the Recreation Ground which is owned by the Parish Council.

-The Parish Council have managed the ditch for many years as witnessed by many residents and previous Parish Councillors

-The Parish Council will continue to maintain the ditch as it is our responsibility

- Proof of ownership of the boundary by the resident should be provided if selling the property.

Proposed: Cllr R Haviland

Seconded: Cllr C Bridges

All Councillors agreed

12. TO DISCUSS THE GRASS VERGE ALONGSIDE BLANCHARDS FIELD.

The verge was now overgrown and untidy with grass and weeds and few wild flowers. It was proposed that the IOW Council cut the verge and request they continue to cut and maintain in the future unless any resident comes forward and volunteers to maintain it.

Proposed: Cllr J Cirrone

Seconded: Cllr J Morgan

All Councillors agreed

13. TO DISCUSS AND AGREE THE BEST POSSIBLE TIMES FOR CUTTING THE VARIOUS AREAS OF GRASS VERGE WITHIN THE PARISH.

Councillors agreed the best times for cutting would be a first cut in late April, the second cut early July and the final cut in October. Island Roads would be contacted to agree this.

14. TO DISCUSS WHETHER TO GIVE SUPPORT TO THE IDEA OF INCREASING THE AONB AREA ON THE ISLAND.

There had been a proposal by MP Bob Seely that the AONB area be extended to protect larger rural areas from overdevelopment. Building could be looked at more specifically to help restrict building to only houses that were needed. Suggestions should be sent to the Chairman who would forward a letter to the MP giving full support.

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

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

The current booking system for Waste and Recycling was proving to be a success. People unable to go online to book appointments were able to book by telephone.

16. RISK ASSESSMENT CHECKS FOR AUGUST.

Cllr M Huxley Declared an Interest.

Branches of a tree in Wilberforce Road were at risk of damaging a resident's property. A quote had been received to remove the dead wood and manage the tree. Councillors agreed to the costs.

Proposed: Cllr R Haviland

Seconded: Cllr C Bridges

All Councillors agreed

17. TO CONFIRM AND AGREE ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

Chq	To	Description	Net	VAT	Gross
1984	Island Cleaning Solutions	Toilet Cleaning July 2020	286.00	57.20	343.20
1985	James Robbins (Wight Fabrications)	Notice Board Supports	121.45	0.00	121.45
1986	Carole Truman	Mileage Expenses Community Hub	131.63	0.00	131.63
1987	Hants & IOW CRC Ltd	Stream Clearance (Re-issue cheque)	240.00	0.00	240.00
1988	Information Commissioner	ICO Data Protection Fee	40.00	0.00	40.00
1989	Mrs J Walker	Salary July 2020	924.44	0.00	924.44
1990	Business Stream	Water Sports Ground & Pavilion	38.45	0.00	38.45
1991	Betapak	Masks, Gloves & Hand Sanitiser	85.85	4.17	90.02
1992	Business Stream	Water Cemetery	22.12	4.42	26.54
1993	Mrs J Walker	Reimburse Additional Keys & Planning Map	19.00	2.60	21.60

Chairman

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1994	SSE Southern Electric	Electric Toilets	36.85	1.84	38.69
D/D	Pension payment	Mrs J Walker	34.48	0.00	34.48
TOTAL			1980.27	70.23	2050.50

Library Account

12	Mr N Rainer	Reimburse BT Phone Handsets	49.99	9.99	59.98
13	Helen Ockendon	Reimburse Fynite Bags	20.98	4.20	25.18
14	Mr N Rainer	Reimburse UV Disinfection Lamp	32.49	6.50	38.99
15	Business Stream	Water Library	23.03	0.00	23.03
TOTAL			126.49	20.69	147.18

Proposed: Cllr R Haviland

Seconded: Cllr M East

All Councillors agreed

18. TO RECEIVE FINANCIAL STATEMENT TO 31st JULY 2020

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

19. TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES.

A Zoom meeting was being held to discuss the start of re-issuing the Newsletter. This would possibly be in October. The Parish Council Chairman would provide a report for this issue.

Volunteers would no longer be doing deliveries from the Village Shop from the end of the week.

20. CORRESPONDENCE

A letter had been received from a resident requesting a discussion regarding housing in the Parish. This would be an agenda item for the next meeting.

21. OTHER MATTERS MEMBERS MAY WISH TO RAISE

The Parish Council are sad to hear of the passing of local parishioner Paul Cotton, a respected and loved member of the community who worked tirelessly for the benefit of the community.

22. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

Main Parish Council meeting on Wednesday 9th September 2020. If Government restrictions are lifted the meeting will be held at 7.30pm at Brighstone Methodist Church.

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked everyone for attending, and closed the Meeting at 9.43pm.