

**MINUTES OF BRIGHSTONE PARISH COUNCIL'S MEETING HELD ON
WEDNESDAY 9th SEPTEMBER 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 P Adams, Cllr M Huxley and Cllr C Bridges.
Ward Cllr Steve Hastings
Mrs J Walker (Clerk & Registrar)

The Chairman of The Royal British Legion joined the meeting.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE : None

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 12th August 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.

None received.

5. CLERK'S REPORT AND UPDATES.

Tennis Club Licence to Operate

The solicitor has been instructed to amend the Licence as discussed at the previous meeting and to forward a copy of the Licence to the Tennis Club. He has also been informed that all costs are to be paid by the Tennis Club. To date there has been no reply.

Motocross Site at Mottistone.

An Enforcement Notice and Stop Notice has now been served. The Stop Notice requires cessation of events as of 23rd August 2020. The Enforcement Notice requires cessation of the use and remediation of the works that have been undertaken on the land. The Enforcement Notice comes into effect on 30th August 2020. There is a right of appeal which must be lodged prior to 30th September in respect of the Enforcement Notice.

Grass Verges

Island Roads have agreed the times for cutting the grass verges in the Parish. They have also been asked to include cutting the verge alongside Blanchards and Main Road.

6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

20/01240/HOU Ford Cottage, Main Road, Brighstone. Creation of a wildlife pond.

Councillors had NO OBJECTION in principal to the application. A concern was raised as to how the pond would be maintained and filled especially in a hot summer where, as in this year, natural ponds have become dry.

7. TO RECEIVE PLANNING DECISIONS

20/00974/CLPUD 5 Wiberforce Road, Brighstone. Lawful Development Certificate for proposed single storey rear extension. GRANTED

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). GRANTED

20/01045/CLEUD Sea View, Military Road, Brighstone. Lawful Development Certificate for continued use of a building as a single dwelling house (use Class C3) GRANTED

8. TO DISCUSS FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS REGARDING THE PROPOSED DIAMOND MOTORCYCLE RACE.

The Race Organisers plan to hold a Consultation event with residents from Brighstone and Shorwell Parishes on 26th and 27th September from 10.30am - 6.30pm. The event would be in the form of `a drop in` basis during these times to discuss and gain information regarding the race. The Pavilion would be used for the event with numbers entering the building restricted to 2 members of the public at a time. There would be a one way system in operation with separate entrance and exit. There would also be a register which attendees signed to meet Covid 19 Track and Trace regulations. Chale would be organising their own event. The Organisers would produce their own poster for this event.

A notice by the Parish Council would encourage people to attend the event and complete and return a questionnaire produced by the Parish Council which would be delivered to each household following the event.

The Parish Council would also arrange a meeting with the CEO of Diamond Races and the Leader of the IOW Council to gain further information and clarity. When received back the questionnaire results and the views of the Parishioners will determine the Parish Council`s decision on the event.

A number of emails both `For` and `Against` the race had been received. The Clerk would summarise the emails and forward to Councillors.

9. TO DISCUSS THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION REMEMBRANCE PARADE.

Cllr P Adams Declared an Interest as a member of the British Legion.

The Chairman of the Brighstone Branch of The Royal British Legion joined the meeting and explained the updated Remembrance Parades Policy. A copy had been previously circulated to Councillors. It explained the requirement to apply for a Temporary Traffic Management Order (TTPO) and the road management for the safety of parades was now the responsibility of the local authorities.

Cllr S Hastings agreed to contact Island Roads regarding the closure of roads and placing of road barriers. He would also contact the IOW County Council to check the Public Liability Insurance since the Parish Council Insurance would possibly not cover this sufficiently. It was suggested a Committee consisting of Parish Councillors and volunteers from The Royal British Legion be formed to organise the Parade.

10. TO DISCUSS PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE CURRENT PLANNING SYSTEM – THE WHITE PAPER.

Information regarding the White Paper had been previously circulated to Councillors. It was considered the document was too complicated and although still at a preliminary stage had been ill thought through. It did not consider individual area requirements within the UK and did not match the housing needs of affordable homes on the Island. This would be an agenda item for the next Parish Council meeting.

11. TO DISCUSS THE ANNUAL PLAY AREA INSPECTION REPORT AND AGREE COSTS OF BIN EMPTYING IN THE PLAY AREA.

The Inspection Report highlighted several issues within the Play Area. For safety reasons the swings and multi-play area would be temporarily taken out of action until repairs or replacements could be made. The handyman would be contacted to start some maintenance work needed.

Councillors agreed the costs quoted by Biffa for regularly emptying the rubbish bin in the Play Area.

Proposed: Cllr R Haviland Seconded: Cllr M Huxley All Councillors agreed
Rights of Way would be contacted regarding improving wheelchair access across the bridge to the Recreation Ground.

12. TO DISCUSS HOUSING NEEDS IN THE PARISH.

A concern had been raised by a resident regarding why local Association Housing was not being allocated to local people. It was considered that when a property became available it should be offered to people with a local connection either to the Village or born on the Island. Cllr S Hastings would follow this up with the relevant Housing Associations.

13. TO DISCUSS AND UPDATE THE ENCROACHMENT ON THE RECREATION GROUND.

To date there had been no further report from the solicitor.

The Probation Service would be contacted to request they cut the stream area on an annual basis.

General tree and overgrowth maintenance on the Recreation Ground would be an agenda item for the next Parish Council meeting.

14. TO DISCUSS THE OVERGROWN AREA BY THE DRAGON TREE.

The pond by the Dragon tree had dried out. This was due to a blocked inlet pipe which had now been solved. The owner of the area would not relinquish the land. Since the Dragon tree, which had won an award, was in the area the possibility of any Grants available which applied to a landowner to maintain wildlife would be looked at.

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

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

16. RISK ASSESSMENT CHECKS FOR SEPTEMBER.

There were issues with some equipment in the Play Area.

The lid was missing from the dog bin at the entrance to the Recreation Ground.

17. TO CONFIRM AND AGREE ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

Chq No.	To	Description	Net	VAT	Gross
1995	Island Cleaning Solutions	Toilet Cleaning August 2020	286.00	57.20	343.20
1996	N W Adams	Playground Inspection	155.85	31.17	187.02
1997	Groundsell Contracting Limited	Grass Cutting July 2020	700.00	140.00	840.00
1998	Mrs J Walker	Salary August 2020	924.44	0.00	924.44
1999	Mrs J Walker	Stationery	37.65	7.53	45.18
D/d	Pension payment	Mrs J Walker	34.48	0.00	34.48
TOTAL			2138.42	235.90	2374.32

Proposed: Cllr S Roberts

Seconded: Cllr M East

All Councillors agreed

18. TO RECEIVE FINANCIAL STATEMENT TO 31st AUGUST 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.

None.

20. CORRESPONDENCE

A letter had been received from a resident complaining of smells from a neighbour`s septic tank. They would be asked to contact Environmental Health.

21. OTHER MATTERS MEMBERS MAY WISH TO RAISE

- The Newsletter would be published again from October.
- Brook Village Stream had been cleared free of charge.
- Southern Vectis buses had claimed the bus was at full seating capacity leaving children unable to travel to school when it appeared this was not the case. Cllr M Huxley to write to Cllr S Hastings who would look into the matter.
- Blanchards grass verge had now been cut.
- There were issues of social distancing in some areas of the village. The current rules and how they were being managed would be an agenda item for the next Parish Council meeting.

22. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

Main Parish Council meeting on Wednesday 14th October 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 9.28pm.