

# **MINUTES OF BRIGHSTONE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT BRIGHSTONE METHODIST CHURCH ON TUESDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2023 AT 7.30PM.**

**PRESENT:** Cllr J Cirrone (Chairman), Cllr R Haviland, Cllr D Alldred, Cllr D Wavell, Cllr N MacLennan, Cllr J Frost and Cllr N Stuart (Ward Cllr)

Mrs Joy Walker (clerk)

Two members of the public were present.

## **1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.**

Cllr C Bridges

## **2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.**

None.

## **3. MINUTES.**

The Minutes of the Full Council Meeting of the 7<sup>th</sup> February 2023 had been previously circulated and read. A minor amendment was made to agenda item 12. The minutes were then confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

The Minutes of the Cemetery Committee Meeting of 11<sup>th</sup> January 2023 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 raised the issue of the roadside erosion on Limerstone Road just past the Cemetery.

Two dog bins had slipped down the posts and now at a lower height possibly due to faulty brackets at Moortown Lane and Lodge Close. This would be reported.

## **5. CLERK'S REPORT AND UPDATES.**

### **Environment Officer**

A further email sent to the environment officer had been responded to. Copies of their reply had been forwarded to councillors.

### **Recreation Ground**

The solicitor has been written to requesting he begin the process for the new lease between the Parish Council and the Recreation Ground Committee.

The insurance for the Recreation Ground Trustees is now due for renewal.

### **Councillor Co-option**

Democratic Services had been informed that Brighstone had a newly co-opted councillor to restore councillor numbers to 8. New councillor information and Declaration of Interests form had been given to Jane Frost. A Parish email address would be organised.

### **Affordable Housing**

Vectis Housing had been contacted requesting information regarding allocation of affordable housing to local residents. To date no reply has been received.

## **Dog Bins**

The cost of emptying the dog bins will increase from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2023 to £3.20 per bin empty. The Summer service (1<sup>st</sup> April – 31<sup>st</sup> August) will now cost £211.20 and Winter service (1<sup>st</sup> September – 30 March) will cost £192.00.

## **Website**

Issues with the account login had now been resolved.

## **6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.**

**23/00157/HOU Down House, Limerstone Road, Shorwell.** Proposed detached garage.

It was noted the architect failed to point out on the planning documents that there is already a large garage building in the front garden area visible from the road. Councillors had No Objections to the application but would like to request a condition is applied that the existing garage is not allowed for conversion to residential or holiday accommodation.

**23/00160/HOU Fairfield, Chilton Lane, Brighstone.** Demolition of conservatories & detached garage; proposed ground & first floor extensions (chalet bungalow conversion) & detached garage. Councillors had No Objections to the application and considered the proposed building to be an attractive extension. Concerns were raised regarding light emissions from the velux windows and request that the glass fitted has reduced light emission properties and that blinds are fitted to these windows.

## **7. TO RECEIVE PLANNING DECISIONS.**

None.

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

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> March, to start at 7.30pm.

## **9. CO-OPTION OF PARISH COUNCILLOR.**

Jane Frost was duly co-opted as Parish Councillor and signed the Acceptance of Office which was countersigned by the Clerk.

## **10. TO DISCUSS RENEWAL OF THE GRASS CUTTING CONTRACT.**

Three companies had been contacted and quotes. One company declined to quote, two others had been received which were circulated to Councillors. Following discussion it was agreed to accept Quote C which could offer a fixed rate for the next three years. The relevant contractor would be contacted and also asked if a chemical free weed killer could be used at the Cemetery.

Proposed: Cllr D Alldred

Seconded: Cllr R Haviland

All Councillors agreed

## **11. TO DISCUSS THE FINGERPOST SIGN OUTSIDE THE WILBERFORCE HALL.**

The fingerpost sign required amending. YHA needed to be removed from the fingerpost as they no longer use the scout hut, the YHA letters to be replaced with Scout Hut. A graphics design company would be contacted to amend the sign.

## **12. TO DISCUSS AND UPDATE DATA RECEIVED FOR INSTALLATION OF VEHICLE CHARGING POINTS.**

There had only been two responses in total to the article in the Newsletter. The low carbon project manager from the Isle of Wight Council would be contacted.

### **13. TO DISCUSS INVITING LORA PEACEY-WILCOX TO FUTURE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING.**

Following discussion it was decided not to invite Lora Peacey-Wilcox to a future meeting to discuss the the lack of response to Parish issues raised with the IoW Council. It was agreed any correspondence not replied to after two weeks would be send to the Ward Councillor. A list of non-responses would also be kept.

Cllr J Cirrone would contact the IoW Council regarding the state of the verges left from Wightfibre work.

### **14. TO RECEIVE UPDATE REGARDING SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE ENVIRONMENT OFFICER.**

There had been little evidence, if any, of any service from the Environment Officer. Cllr N Stuart would follow up to establish what enforcement had been done and when this had taken place.

### **15. TO RECEIVE UPDATE OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN THE PARISH.**

To date there had been no response form Vectis Housing with any further details. It appeared road access was providing a delay for people moving into the affordable homes. Cllr N Stuart would question what is happening with the pinch point.

### **16. TO DISCUSS POSSIBLE AONB MONEY AVAILABLE FOR ACCESS.**

Money was available until the end of the financial year (5<sup>th</sup> April) for access eg. disabled access, footpaths, gates etc. Cllr J Cirrone would contact the AONB.

### **17. TO RECEIVE UPDATE REGARDING THE RUBBISH ISSUE AT GRANGE CHINE.**

To date no reply had been received from the IoW Council regarding the removal of the rubbish. Three skip companies had been contacted but only one had replied. To supply a large skip and removal of load the cost would be £250. The owners of Grange Farm were agreeable for the Parish Council to go onto their land with a skip and remove the rubbish.

Cllr N Stuart would contact the IoW Council again. If there was no action the Parish Council would provide a skip as a one-off solution and the rubbish removed.

### **18. TO DISCUSS THE POSSIBILITY OF THE INSTALLATION OF A DEFIBRILLATOR IN THE SEELY HALL, BROOK AND THE OFFER TO INSTALL ONE IN BRIGHSTONE PAVILION BY A CHARITY.**

A charity had contacted Wight Eagles and offered to install a defibrillator at the Pavilion on the Recreation Ground. The installation had gone ahead with the Recreation Ground Committee organising the electrical supply internally.

It was suggested that a donation be made to the charity. The charity had been asked if it was possible to install one at the Seely Hall in Brook. It was also suggested that the National Trust be contacted to install one at Compton Chine when the new toilet block is built.

To be an agenda item at the next Parish Council meeting.

### **19. TO RECEIVE IW COUNCILLOR`S REPORT**

Cllr Stuart provided a written report circulated to Councillors.

No matters were raised.

## 20. RISK ASSESSMENT CHECKS FOR MARCH.

A landowner had installed electric wire fencing which crossed a public footpath. Rights of Way had been informed and the landowner contacted. Cllr N Stuart would check the situation had now been fully resolved.

## 21. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT:

Ch No.	To	Description	Net	VAT	Gross	
bp	M Mills	Church Clock Repairs & Maintenance	200.00	0.00	200.00	Already R
bp	Island Cleaning Solutions	Toilet Cleaning February 2023	301.17	0.00	301.17	
bp	Mrs J Walker	Salary February 2023	1049.78	0.00	1049.78	
bp	Mrs J Walker	Reimburse Norton Security Renewal	41.66	8.33	49.99	
bp	Mrs J Walker	Reimburse Microsoft 365 Renewal	49.99	10.00	59.99	
bp	Mrs J Walker	Reimburse IONOS Contact Renewal	96.00	19.20	115.20	
bp	SSE Southern Electric	Electric Pavilion	34.45	1.72	36.17	
bp	Ringway Island Roads Ltd	Dog Bin Emptying	174.00	34.80	208.80	
bp	Mrs J Walker	Reimburse Dog Signs	137.50	27.50	165.00	
bp	Mrs J Walker	Reimburse Stationery	21.59	4.32	25.91	
bp	J Cirrone	Printer Ink	38.00	0.00	38.00	
bp	Zurich Insurance	Trustees Insurance (Rec Gd Com)	155.78	0.00	155.78	
dd	Biffa	Waste Collection Play Area	4.00	0.80	4.80	
dd	Pension payment	Mrs J Walker	42.40	0.00	42.40	
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>2346.32</b>	<b>106.67</b>	<b>2452.99</b>	
<b>Library</b>						
<b>a/c</b>						
bp	National Trust	Library Rent	100.00	20.00	120.00	
bp	National Trust	Electric Charges	1500.00	0.00	1500.00	
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>3946.32</b>	<b>126.67</b>	<b>4072.99</b>	

Proposed: Cllr D Wavell

Seconded: Cllr N Stuart

All Councillors agreed

## 22. TO RECEIVE FINANCIAL STATEMENT TO 28<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2023.

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

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

- Newsletter had made a small profit.

- Cllr J Frost would be the Parish Council liaison representative for Brighstone School.

- The Recreation Ground Committee had reached a decision on the extra land to be granted to the Tennis Club to build a larger club house and create a seating area.

The fence line at the back of the club house would continue upwards to square off to the long fence line closest to the football pitch.

The Tennis Club would be offered a sublease with the terms and conditions being discussed by the Recreation Ground Committee at the next committee meeting.

The tennis club had been written to confirming the Recreation Ground Committees decisions.

**24. CORRESPONDENCE:**

- A thank you letter had been received from West Wight Sports Centre for the grant money awarded to them.
- A letter had been received regarding the removal and destruction of the hedgerows particularly at Shepherds Chine. Cllr D Alldred would look into this.

**25. OTHER MATTERS MEMBERS MAY WISH TO RAISE.**

Hunnyhill development – soil was being segregated into piles of top, sub and rubbish. Planning would be contacted to confirm if the sewer was going to Chilton Lane.

Brighstone Holiday Camp – Rights of Way were no longer going through the holiday camp. Concerns were raised about the slippage and crystallised cement on the beach. There were also questions regarding any asbestos and if any inspection had been done. Enforcement had looked at the caravans on the adjacent field and the state of the site.

Trees – Areas would be looked at for possible planting of trees donated from the Jubilee.

Recreation Ground Committee – The Tennis Club were questioning the amount owed by them for the cost of the Licence they had requested. Agenda item for next Parish Council meeting.

Web Address – Cllr D Wavell would set up Cllr J Frost's Parish email address.

**26. ITEMS TO BE INCLUDED IN THE NEWSLETTER**

- Skip to remove rubbish from Grange Chine.
- Road edge erosion on Limerstone Road.
- State of verges following Wightfibre work. Parish Council will be contacting Island Roads
- Defibrillator at Pavilion and possibly Seely Hall.

**27. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:**

Main Parish Council Meeting on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2023 at 7.30pm at Brighstone Methodist Church.

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked everyone for attending, and closed the Meeting at 9.08pm.