

MINUTES OF BRIGHSTONE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT BRIGHSTONE METHODIST CHURCH ON TUESDAY 12TH APRIL 2023 AT 7.30PM.

PRESENT: Cllr J Cirrone (Chairman), Cllr C Bridges, Cllr R Haviland, Cllr D Alldred, Cllr D Wavell and Cllr J Frost

Mrs Joy Walker (clerk)

One member of the public was present.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Cllr N Stuart and Cllr N Maclellan

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

None.

3. MINUTES.

The Minutes of the Full Council Meeting of the 8th March 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 stated he was not impressed with Wight Fibre and the way the roads and verges were left following their work.

He also questioned why drivers were not using the car park. Island Roads would be contacted again asking for a roadside parking time limit restriction in the village.

5. CLERK'S REPORT AND UPDATES.

Recreation Ground

The Trustees Insurance has been renewed and now upgraded to include insurance cover for hire of the Pavilion and Recreation Ground

Fingerpost Sign

A company has been contacted to amend the sign. They will come to look at the post which requires removing YHA and replacing with Scout Hut.

Affordable Housing

A reply has been received from Vectis Housing requesting information regarding allocation of affordable housing to local residents. This has been forwarded to Councillors.

Dog Bins

Island Roads have inspected the 2 dog bins which have slipped down the posts at Moortown Lane and Lodge Close. One requires new brackets and the other a replacement bin.

Hunny Hill Development

Following a discussion with a resident who raised concerns regarding the drainage work on site the IoW Planning Officer was contacted. It appears the developer had not submitted drainage plans to the IoW Council. Planning have now instructed that work stop until a drainage plan has been submitted and approved.

The Clerk was asked to contact Vectis Housing enquiring if the affordable properties allocated to people from Yarmouth, Shalfleet and Totland had any connection to the Parish and if any Parish residents had been refused a property.

6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

23/00454/HOU 13 Woodlands, Brighstone. Proposed single storey side extension.

Councillors had No Objections but requested mention of the Dark Skies Policy.

23/00525/HOU The Lindens, New Road, Brighstone. Proposed single storey rear extension.

Councillors had No Objections but requested mention of the Dark Skies Policy.

7. TO RECEIVE PLANNING DECISIONS.

22/10541/FUL Wayside Cottage, North Street, Brighstone. Alterations to increase height of chimney and associated works on roof Granted permission.

22/10542/LBC Wayside Cottage, North Street, Brighstone. listed Building Consent for alterations to increase height of chimney and associated works on roof. Granted permission.

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

Granted permission.

23/00160/HOU Fairfields, Chilton Lane, Brighstone. Demolition of conservatories & detached garage; proposed ground & first floor extensions (chalet bungalow conversion) & detached garage.

Granted permission.

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

Tuesday 25th April, to start at 7.30pm.

9. TO NOTE THE DATE OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING:

Tuesday 25th April, to start at 7.00pm.

10. TO RECEIVE UPDATE REGARDING SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE ENVIRONMENT OFFICER.

To date there had been no reply. Councillors resolved to withhold payment of the Environment Officer invoice until an explanation into when and what services had been provided was received.

11. TO RECEIVE UPDATE OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN THE PARISH.

This had been received and forwarded to Councillors.

12. TO RECEIVE UPDATE REGARDING THE POSSIBLE AONB MONEY AVAILABLE FOR ACCESS.

The deadline for the application had just been missed. However, the request asked for did not qualify to be considered for any AONB money.

13. TO DISCUSS THE PROVISION OF A PLAQUE FOR THE JUBILEE TREE.

The Horticultural Society had originally offered to provide a plaque. Since the Committee had now changed, they would be contacted to ask if they would still supply a plaque. If not, then this would be a future agenda item.

14. TO RECEIVE AND UPDATE THE POSSIBILITY OF THE INSTALLATION OF A DEFIBRILLATOR IN THE SEELY HALL, BROOK AND TO DISCUSS THE AMOUNT OF DONATION TO THE CHARITY INSTALLING THE DEFIBRILLATORS.

No further correspondence had been received. It was agreed to give a donation and ask again about a possible installation at the Seely Hall.

Councillors agreed a donation of £500 be given to the charity.

Proposed: Cllr R Haviland

Seconded: Cllr D Alldred

All Councillors agreed

15. TO DISCUSS THE PARISH COUNCIL ASSETS, LAND AND RESPONSIBILITIES IN THE PARISH AND VILLAGES.

It was agreed councillors would meet and walk around the Parish to identify areas the Parish Council were responsible for. Councillors would send to the Clerk a list of dates they would be available. Rights of Way would be contacted regarding the ownership of the bridge by the play area.

16. TO RECEIVE IW COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Cllr Stuart apologised for arriving late and gave a verbal report.

Traffic Meeting – there were now sufficient volunteers to start the speed watch team. The main areas targeted would be New Road, Main Road and the bridge on the Military Road.

Blanchards – access to the social housing was due in May / June. A site visit had been called but Island Roads were not present. It was not possible to use the Reading Room car park for temporary parking. It was suggested it may be possible to put additional social housing on Blanchards. Talks would be needed with Vectis Housing, developers and planning with a possible Public Meeting to take local views.

Efforts are being made to find a contact in Southern Water regarding water spillage.

A meeting with Island Roads is trying to be arranged to discuss the state of the hedges and ditches. Nothing further had been heard regarding planning at Hollis Drive and Lilygrove.

17. RISK ASSESSMENT CHECKS FOR APRIL.

Repairs were needed to some play area equipment and to the fencing surrounding the play area.

18. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT:

Ch No.	To	Description	Net	VAT	Gross
bp	Island Cleaning Solutions	Toilet Cleaning March 2023	301.17	0.00	301.17
bp	Mrs J Walker	Salary March 2023	1049.71	0.00	1049.71
bp	Mrs J Walker	Reimburse Printer Ink	63.99	0.00	63.99
		Reimburse IONOS Domain			
bp	Mrs J Walker	Renewal	16.10	3.22	19.32
bp	Seely Hall	Hall Hire	20.00	0.00	20.00
bp	HMRC	PAYE Quarterly Payment	134.79	0.00	134.79
bp	Cheap Skips (IW) Ltd	Skip Hire	208.33	41.67	250.00
bp	IoW Council	Rates Brighstone Playing Field	122.88	0.00	122.88
bp	IoW Council	Environment Officer Services	521.00	0.00	521.00
2138	Mrs A Russell	Reimburse War Memorial Plants	18.33	3.67	22.00
dd	Biffa	Waste Collection Play Area	2.00	0.40	2.40
dd	Pension payment	Mrs J Walker	42.40	0.00	42.40
TOTAL			2500.70	48.96	2549.66
Library					
bp	Wight Fire & Security	Intruder Alarm System Service	65.31	13.06	78.37
TOTAL			2566.01	62.02	2628.03

Proposed: Cllr D Wavell

Seconded: Cllr J Cironne

All Councillors agreed

19. TO RECEIVE FINANCIAL STATEMENT TO 31ST MARCH 2023.

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

20. TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES.

- The Website coordinator had now resigned. A card and flowers would be sent as a thank you for all the hard work she had done over many years, An article would be placed in the Newsletter asking for a volunteer to join the web group as a possible coordinator.
- The Wilberforce Hall AGM would be held on 18th April at 7.00pm.
- The Recreation Ground Committee AGM would be held on 17th April and followed by a Committee Meeting.

21. CORRESPONDENCE:

- An invite to attend a meeting regarding the Dark Skies Policy had been received. They would be invited to a future Parish Council meeting.
- A request by the Air Ambulance for a possible donation had been received. They would be written to explaining grants and donations are considered in September when their request would be considered.
- A letter had been received regarding the state of the footpath from Moortown Lane through to Moor Lane and the untidy state of some property gardens full of rubbish. Rights of way would be written to and an agenda item regarding untidy properties for the next Parish Council meeting.

Cllr N Stuart had arrived. Agenda Item 16 was now revisited.

22. OTHER MATTERS MEMBERS MAY WISH TO RAISE.

- 700kilos of rubbish had been removed from Grange Chine but the amount of rubbish was already building up again. Cllr Stuart would chase the IoW Council for a solution to the problem. An article thanking volunteers who helped would be put in the Newsletter.
- The hedge at Atherfield had been cut back to improve the path and in places replanted.
- State of verges following Wightfibre work. The Parish Council will be contacting Island Roads and WightFibre

23. ITEMS TO BE INCLUDED IN THE NEWSLETTER

- An article thanking volunteers who helped remove the rubbish from Grange Chine would be put in the Newsletter.
- Volunteer for the Website.
- State of Wightfibre work. Residents would be asked to identify areas they are concerned about.
- New voter ID regulations.

24. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

Annual Meeting of the Parish Council on Wednesday 10th May 2023 at 7.30pm at Brighstone Methodist Church.

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked everyone for attending, and closed the Meeting at 8.51pm.