

**MINUTES OF BRIGHSTONE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT
BRIGHSTONE METHODIST CHURCH ON WEDNESDAY 14TH FEBRUARY 2024
AT 7.30PM.**

PRESENT: Cllr J Cirrone (Chairman), Cllr J Frost, Cllr N Maclellan, Cllr R Haviland and Cllr N Stuart (Ward Councillor)

Five members of the public were present.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Cllr C Bridges, Cllr D Alldred, Cllr D Wavell and Mrs J Walker (Clerk)

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

None

3. MINUTES.

The Minutes of the Full Parish Council Meeting of the 10th January 2024 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 member of the public raised concerns regarding the safety of the pinch point and the brown water leaking from the electrical access box on the pavement close to the pinch point. The chairman confirmed that both concerns had already been raised with Island roads.

5. CLERK'S REPORT AND UPDATES.

The Chairman was unable to provide a Clerks report or update.

6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The chairman brought forward the Atherfield camp discussion as the representative for the camp attending the meeting would have to catch a ferry after the meeting.

Atherfield Bay Holiday Camp, Military Road, Brighstone.

The representative was asked to explain his role and his organisations involvement in taking the completion of the site forward. A detailed summary of how the site had changed hands since the original application was given by a Mr Richard Brookes who confirmed he was from the company now funding the completion of the site. Mr Brookes also explained that the standard of workmanship on the site had found to be substandard including the drainage which had been laid not in the correct direction according to the plans with some drainage pipes running uphill.

A brief outline of proposals to complete the site was given. The chairman requested that because there was doubt regarding how much information councillors had received. As several councillors were missing could either Mr Brookes or the planning agent attend the mid-month planning meeting which would be on Wednesday 28th February.

23/02275/FUL Cheverton Chalk and Gravel, Cheverton Shute, Shorwell. Propose winning and working of minerals and restoration of land. Concerns were raised with how soon the reinstatement of the ground would be carried out. NO OBJECTION but requests were made to ensure the backfilling would be done quickly and sensitively to the landscape.

23/00591/FUL Land Adjacent Lillygrove, Main Road, Brighstone. Proposed 4 no. dwellings with improved vehicular access; demolition of outbuildings and construction of replacement outbuilding and associated works (Revised Plans) (Additional Supporting Information) (Readvertise application). A member of the public raised concerns regarding the forming of the entrance, the ground levels in relation to the pavement and the removal of a length of stone wall in a conservation area. Councillors unanimously voted to OBJECT to the application stating all previous reasons for objection should apply.

23/02178/FUL Hunny Hill Farm, Hunny Hill, Brighstone. Amended house type including attached garage on Plot 6 (revised plans) (readvertised application). Concerns were again raised regarding how the house size had increased from the original application, the impact on views to the Downs from the Military Road and the drainage outlet to run into a ditch in Chilton Road. Councillors unanimously agreed to OBJECT to the application stating all previous reasons for objection applied.

22/00080/FUL Appeal No: 23/00048/REF Land to the West of Corner Stones And Downs Reach, Moor Lane, Brighstone. Proposed development of four dwellings, two detached garages, vehicular access, parking and landscaping (revised scheme). Councillors had not objected to the original application but would support the Planning Authority's decision and reasons for refusal. OBJECT.

7. TO RECEIVE PLANNING DECISIONS.

23/02176/HOU 11 William Fox Avenue, Brighstone. Proposed single storey side extension.
GRANTED

23/02106/HOU High Timbers, Upper Lane, Brighstone. Proposed extension to front dormer replacement front porch; alterations and conversion of garage to form additional living accommodation; alterations to include cladding and replacement roof coverings; proposed shed.
REFUSED

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

Wednesday 28th February, to start at 7.30pm.

9. TO DISCUSS THE DECISION TO SUSPEND BRINGING FORWARD THE NEW LEASE BETWEEN THE PARISH COUNCIL AND THE RECREATION GROUND COMMITTEE.

Being a representative of the Recreation Ground Committee the Chairman explained that the decision to suspend bringing forward the new long-term lease between the Parish Council and the Recreation Ground Committee would affect the committee's ability to access funding. Councillors agreed to the decision regarding the main lease to be reversed.

The Clerk would be asked to write to the solicitor to instruct him to continue bringing forward the new long-term lease and ask if he was any further forward in bringing forward costs for his work to date.

10. TO DISCUSS AND UPDATE THE AMOUNT OWED BY THE TENNIS CLUB REGARDING THE LEGAL FEES FOR THE LICENCE.

The Clerk had written to the Tennis Club stating the Parish Council had correspondence which confirms the original licence to operate had been requested by the Tennis Club. No reply to this had been received. Also, the Clerk had not received a reply to the request for the annual donation of £400 from the Tennis Club as their contribution to the running costs of the Recreation Ground.

11. TO DISCUSS THE POSSIBLE NOMINATIONS FOR THE ROYAL GARDEN PARTIES.

The nomination could only be either the Chairman or the Vice Chairman. It was agreed the Vice Chairman would be nominated as the Chairman stated he had no wish to attend if chosen.

12. TO DISCUSS AND AGREE PAYMENT FOR THE INSTALLATION OF SMART METERS IN THE LIBRARY.

The Chairman explained the reasons for the need to pay for the installation of smart meters in the library. Councillors agreed to the payments.

Proposed: Cllr R Haviland Seconded: Cllr N Maclellan All Councillors agreed

13. TO DISCUSS THE COST OF THE PUBLIC TOILETS.

The discussion regarding the public toilets would be deferred to the March meeting.

14. TO RECEIVE I W COUNCILLOR'S REPORT.

The Ward Councillor gave a brief overview of his report and confirmed there would be a second meeting regarding the Military Road in the Wilberforce Hall Sunday 18th February.

15. TO RECEIVE AND RATIFY THE FINAL DRAFT BUDGET 2024/25.

Councillors agreed to ratify the third and final draft to the budget, the clerk would be asked to confirm at the March meeting the increased annual costs to a band D property.

Proposed: Cllr N Maclellan Seconded: Cllr J Frost All Councillors agree

16. RISK ASSESSMENT CHECKS FOR FEBRUARY.

There were no risks identified.

17. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT:

chq No	To	Description	Net	VAT	Gross
bp	Island Cleaning Solutions	Toilet Cleaning Jan 2024	301.17	0.00	301.17
bp	Mrs J Walker	Salary Jan 2024	1093.71	0.00	1093.71
bp	IWALC	Annual Membership Fee	413.73	0.00	413.73
bp	Business Stream	Water Pavilion	68.03	0.00	68.03
bp	Business Stream	Water Cemetery	23.20	4.64	27.84
dd	British Gas	Electric Pavilion	22.33	1.12	23.45
dd	British Gas	Electric Toilets	17.29	0.86	18.15
dd	Biffa	Waste Collect Play Area	2.00	0.40	2.40
dd	Pension payment	Mrs J Walker	47.60	0.00	47.60
TOTAL			1989.06	7.02	1996.08
Library A/C					
bp	Business Stream	Water Library	47.70	0.00	47.70
TOTAL			2036.76	7.02	2043.78

Proposed: Cllr N Stuart Seconded: Cllr D Cirrone All Councillors agreed

18. TO RECEIVE FINANCIAL STATEMENT TO 31ST JANUARY 2024.

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.

No reports given.

20. CORRESPONDENCE:

The chairman read out the correspondence provided by the Clerk.

-There was a consultation regarding School transport. This would be put in the Newsletter.

-There had been a request for the verge along the Main road in front of Blanchards not to be cut in April. To be an agenda item for the March meeting.

-Portraits of the King were being provided free of charge to any Council wishing to display them in a community building. An article would be put in the Newsletter asking any of the community organisations if they would like to have the portrait to display in their building.

-Details of the proposed double yellow lines proposed in New Road had been received. Because the closing date of the consultation was the 8th March councillors agreed that the Clerk should write to re-confirm the Parish Councils objection to leaving the break in the yellow lines in the position shown on the plan received.

21. OTHER MATTERS MEMBERS MAY WISH TO RAISE.

No matters were raised.

22. ITEMS TO BE INCLUDED IN THE NEWSLETTER.

Items as mentioned in minutes above.

23. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

Main Parish Council meeting on Wednesday 13th March 2024 at 7.30pm at Brighstone Methodist Church.

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked everyone for attending, and closed the Meeting at 9.30pm.