MINUTES OF A MEETING OF BRIGHSTONE PARISH COUNCIL PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON TUESDAY 21st JULY 2020 AT 7.30PM.

Due to Government Advice as a result of the Coronovirus 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 P Adams, Cllr J Morgan, Cllr S Roberts, Cllr C Bridges and Cllr R Haviland
Mrs J Walker (Clerk & Registrar)

One Member of the Public joined the meeting.

Several emails and telephone calls had been received from the Public regarding Agenda Item 5.

1. APOLOGIES for ABSENCE.

Cllr M Huxley

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

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

3. PLANNING APPLICATIONS TO CONSIDER.

None.

4. TO RECEIVE ANY PLANNING DECISIONS.

20/00789/HOU Willses, Upper Lane, Brighstone. Proposed single storey side extension to form conservatory. REFUSED

20/00789/LBC Willses, Upper Lane, Brighstone. Listed building consent for propose single storey side extension to form conservatory. REFUSED

20/00532/TW The Garibaldi Oak, brook Village Road. Two leylandii to be felled to near ground level The oak trees to have crowns overhanging road raised to 5.5metres above road level. GRANTED **20/00657/TW 2 Woodlands, Brighstone.** Horse Chestnut- remove. REFUSED

5. TO DISCUSS THE MOTOCROSS SITE AT MOTTISTONE

The Parish Council had received several complaints from local residents regarding the recent Motocross events at Mottistone. This was impacting severely on certain properties in the area causing excessive dust, noise and smell of fumes and also causing total loss of amenities to the closest property nearby. The Enforcement Officer had visited the site to view changes made to the land and would make a report when they had received the Environmental Health findings who had attended the last Motox meeting to record noise levels. The AONB were sending a report to the Planning Department expressing their concerns regarding damage to the Heritage Coast, tranquillity of the area and changes to the landscape. The National Trust were also submitting their views. It was unclear the number of Motocross meetings allowed without planning permission with conflicting information being provided. It was also unclear if the GPDO had been granted without correctly being informed the area was in the AONB. The Organisers had suggested that if successful as many as 50 -100 people could attend the meetings in the future with people travelling from the mainland. Several Councillors had visited the parking area and track site. It was noted there appeared to be only one toilet available which could be a breach of the Covid -19 regulations and clearly not adequate for the amount of people attending.

Councillors agreed that a letter be sent to the IOW Planning Department recommending that activities be suspended until a correctly filled in application is received. Due consideration should be given to noise, fumes, dust, breach of the Covid-19 regulations, loss of amenities to the area including B&B, the AONB and Heritage Coast.

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

Copies of the proposed Licence to Operate had been prior forwarded to Councillors. Following discussion Councillors agreed :

- utility services (electric, water etc) should be removed and not included in the Licence.
- the accurate size of the site and current Club House building should be added to the site plan to help prevent any future disputes.
- to request solicitors advice, as previously suggested, if the cost of providing the Licence should be paid by the Tennis Club and this to be included in the Licence

7. OTHER MATTERS IN RELATION TO PLANNING MEMBERS MAY WISH TO RAISE, AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIRMAN.

A meeting to discuss the boundary of the ditch on the Recreation Ground had been held with the property owner, Solicitor, Clerk and Cllrs J Cirrone, M East and P Adams attending. The meeting had proved inconclusive with no clear proof of ownership of the ditch acceptable to either side. It was agreed by Councillors not to employ the use of a Surveyor to establish accurate boundary lines at this time and to look at the historic correspondence when the land was originally bought and sold. The solicitor would be asked if legally a fence can be put in the centre of a ditch and if this contravened any rules of being able to clean the ditch. Also if the boundary dispute could be recorded on the property deeds records. The Clerk would contact the Insurance Company to clarify the amount of legal cover and costs included should the matter progress further. A decision would be made at the next Parish Council meeting.

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked everyone for attending, and closed the Meeting at 8.59pm.