

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF BRIGHSTONE PARISH COUNCIL PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD
ON TUESDAY 23rd FEBRUARY 2021 AT 7.30PM.**

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 P Adams, Cllr J Morgan, Cllr S Roberts, Cllr R Haviland, Cllr M Huxley and Cllr C Bridges
Ward Cllr Steve Hastings
Mrs J Walker (Clerk & Registrar)

Eight Members of the Public joined the meeting.

1. APOLOGIES for ABSENCE.

None

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST TO BE DECLARED VERBALLY

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

3. TO DISCUSS THE TENNIS CLUB REQUEST FOR A LEASE AND THE PROJECTED RATEABLE VALUE OF THE PAVILION NEXT YEAR.

The Parish Council had been informed the projected rateable value of the Pavilion and the Tennis Club would now be classed as two separate concerns. The Tennis Club were unaware of this but were not currently liable for rates due to their status. The projected rateable value of the Pavilion would be £1200 per annum.

The Parish Council had met with the solicitor to discuss the way forward with the possibility of granting the Tennis Club a Lease. He recommended the Charity Commission be contacted to ascertain if they would allow the current lease, which still had 6 years left, to be surrendered, for the Recreation Ground Committee to be disbanded, the Parish Council to take over the running of the Recreation Ground and the longer term lease to be granted to the Tennis Club subject to the Charity Commission approval. Before writing to the Charity Commission it would be preferable to establish what exactly the Tennis Club wanted to do with the area and if this was acceptable to the Parish Council. The previously prepared Licence could be used as the template for the Lease. Terms and Conditions could be included which would prevent the Tennis Club making any alterations to the property or land without the Parish Councils approval. Councillors agreed to a 15 year Lease. With Parish Council approval the Tennis Club at any time could request that the new Lease be extended for a new term. The Charity Commission would be contacted.

The possibility of moving the Tennis Courts to the side of the Pavilion, which could be used as the Club House, allow for a possible third court and provide off road parking was discussed. The Tennis Club were asked to provide possible costings for this. The possible formation of a working party made up of volunteers from both the Parish Council and Tennis Club would be discussed as an agenda item at the next Parish Council meeting.

4. TO DISCUSS THE ANNOUNCEMENT BY IW ROAD RACES OF A POSSIBLE SECOND MOTORCYCLE ROAD RACE.

The Parish Council had been made aware the co-founders of Diamond Races had separated and organisers were now two organisations which are Diamond Races and the newly formed IW Road Races. The Diamond Races due to take place in October 2021 would not now take place and would be planned for next year in possibly April. The IW Road Races planned to hold a race in October this year 2021. A new shorter route had been proposed which would go through Brook, Chessell, along the middle road to Freshwater Bay and over Compton Down. Councillors were told the new IW Road Races were more organised. The ACU, who would grant the Licence, planned to visit on the 8th March would be looking at the safety of the route especially through Brook where there were already safety concerns raised. If the ACU were satisfied then it would go before SAG. The IW Council would then have to approve the road closures. Consideration to Covid restrictions and safety of the race would be taken into account before the event would be allowed to take place. However if SAG approved the race the IW Council could not stop

the event. All aspects of the planning needed to be in place 4 months before the event would take place therefore by May. However with the forthcoming elections all meetings and decisions would need to be made by 22nd March when purdah would start. Residents at the meeting raised concerns regarding safety, noise, pollution and when the event itself was over the possible consequences of copycat riders and speeding following the event. It was generally considered West Wight was not an area to be holding this type of event being a quiet peaceful area within the AONB popular with tourists.

Organisers would be happy to consult with the Parish Councils and were planning to hold a meeting with all West Wight Councils involved.

It was made clear the Parish Council would be doing a full consultation with every household in the Parish. It was pointed out that Public Consultations were not always taken into consideration.

The Parish Council would also request a copy of the Risk Assessment.

5. OTHER PLANNING MATTERS MEMBERS MAY WISH TO RAISE, AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIRMAN.

- **Guet.** Cllr Hastings would provide an update at the next parish Council meeting.
- **Digger at Hunnyhill.** This was still clearing the area but no posts or footings had been put in place.
- **Chine Farm.** A licensing request for 250 mobile units had been submitted. This was likely to be granted due to a restriction being omitted on a previous planning application. The IW Council were looking into this Cllr Hastings would keep the Parish Council updated.

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked everyone for attending, and closed the Meeting at 9.27pm.