

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF BRIGHSTONE PARISH COUNCIL PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD
ON TUESDAY 26TH OCTOBER 2021 AT 7.30PM**

Due to the continual high level of Covid cases the meeting was held via Zoom.

PRESENT: Cllr J Cirrone (Chairman), Cllr C Bridges, Cllr R Haviland, Cllr N Maclellan and Cllr D Alldred
Mrs J Walker (Clerk & Registrar)

Five members of the Public joined the meeting.

1. APOLOGIES for ABSENCE.

Cllr P Adams, Cllr N Stuart and Cllr S Hastings

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST TO BE DECLARED :

None.

3. PLANNING APPLICATIONS TO CONSIDER

21/01867/FUL Sea View & Caravan at Chine Farm, Military Road, Brighstone. Demolition of existing property and removal of caravan; proposed two replacement dwellings (revised scheme).

The application appears overall to be the same as the previous application. The bungalows have been moved slightly to avoid overhead wires. Councillors agreed there are NO OBJECTIONS to the application.

The Planning Office would be written to asking for the definition of `Minor Amendment` since the Case Officer did not consider the above application as a minor amendment but the Atherfield development, with major changes to their application, was considered as a `Minor Amendment`.

Appeal: APP/P2114/W/21/3275049 Three Bishops, Main Road, Brighstone. Proposed detached dwelling (revised scheme).

This second appeal, sent to the Secretary of State, does not appear to have any changes. Councillors agreed to re-state the Parish Council`s original objections :

- parking availability would be reduced
- the Pub would become unsustainable
- the pub is registered as a Community Asset.
- it is unnecessary infill adding very little to the required housing stock.
- the footpath through the car park has been used for over 40 years. There is currently a campaign for this to become a designated right of way footpath.

The disadvantages of the appeal being granted far outweigh the need for this one dwelling.

All Councillors agreed to OBJECT to the appeal application.

4. TO RECEIVE PLANNING DECISIONS

None received.

5. TO DISCUSS ANY UPDATE RECEIVED FROM THE CHARITY COMMISSION AND TENNIS CLUB LEASE.

A reply from the Charity Commission pointed out that the Recreation Ground Charitable Status cannot continue with only one trustee. It was remarked that Charitable Status was not easy to come by and was very valuable in being able to source funding and grants in addition to providing Business Relief on rates etc. and would be a retrograde step to relinquish this.

The Tennis Club were asked if the Recreation Ground Committee were reformed would they be prepared to resurface the tennis courts from the monies they already had available. The Recreation Ground Committee could see if any additional funding was available to help. The Tennis Club Chairman was unhappy with this as it did not provide security of tenure for any longer than the current lease. A new lease was required by them.

An option considered available was surrender of the current Recreation Ground Lease. The Recreation Ground would then revert back to the Parish Council. The Parish Council could then grant a new lease to the Recreation Ground Committee excluding the area of land currently used by the Tennis Club. A separate lease could then be granted the Tennis Club. There was conflicting advice from two different solicitors to this option and it was not clear if the Charity Commission would allow this.

Following further discussion it was proposed that the Parish Council look at reforming the Recreation Ground Committee. From the new members possible additional trustees could be found to maintain the Charitable Status. The options available for the Tennis Club lease could then be looked at.

Councillors would approach residents they felt could contribute to the Recreation Ground Committee.

Representatives from the Tennis Club and Wight Eagles FC could also be included.

The agenda item would be brought back to the next meeting.

Proposed: Cllr J Cirrone

Seconded: Cllr D Alldred

All Councillors agreed

6. TO DISCUSS THE WAY FORWARD REGARDING THE TT RACES EVENT.

At the last meeting Councillors resolved not to support the event. A joint letter from Brighstone and Chale Parish Councils had been sent to Bob Seely MP pointing out all the information including the ACU granting the permit knowing the lack of consultation done by the organisers. It was considered to write to the Secretary of State asking how the ACU could grant the permit for the event and also that the event is not allowed to be held over four days. It was proposed a letter be sent to the IoW Council regarding the safety of the event and request a meeting with the Leader of the Council and Chief Executive.

Proposed: Cllr R Haviland

Seconded Cllr D Alldred

All Councillors agreed

The Chairman stated he could not morally support an event where deaths from accidents would be inevitable.

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

Blanchards - Vectis Housing had been contacted and replied only housing for sale applied to the over 55's. No decision had been made or any allocation given to the affordable homes at this time. A representative from Vectis Housing would be willing to come to a meeting to discuss what criteria the Parish Council would like made. Hedges at Blanchards – the person regarding this was currently on holiday.

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked everyone for attending, and closed the Meeting at 8.46pm