

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting of Gurnard Parish Council held at Gurnard Village Hall in Worsley Road, Gurnard on Thursday 10th July 2014 at 7pm.

PRESENT: **Councillors** Harrison (Chairman), Mrs Bugden Fuller, Jacobs, Javaid, McNeill, Nolan and Mrs Spencer (7.40pm).

The representative from the Safer Neighbourhoods Team (acting Sargent PC Gary Knight) attended advising that since 01/04/14 there have been 13 crimes reported in Gurnard and Northwood (same as last year and reduced from 2012/13 when there were 18). Current priority for the local police is to enforce the prohibition of cyclists in the High Street. Police have stopped 4 cyclists in June, given a verbal warning and educational letter. If the same people are seen again, formal action will be taken.

The next beat surgery will be Thursday August 14th from 6pm to 8pm.

He also advised that Cowes Police Station will be closing in October 2014. Due to issues with asbestos, the area at Cowes Enterprise College will not be ready by this date, so negotiations are currently under way for an alternative either within the college or at the old Cowes Youth Centre building. Sgt Knight was unable to advise who has bought the old Police Station.

Questions were asked by councillors about the heavy handed policy regarding people using the beach at night. St Knight explained that this is now their second priority to ensure that people using the beach at night are not acting in an anti-social way and if they are will be moved on. This is a low key way of avoiding further trouble. The second question was regarding cyclists in front of the beach huts, which can be unsafe. Sgt Knight advised that there is no prohibition in this area, so he was unable to stop cyclists as in Cowes High Street.

There were no comments from members of the public (0)

6064 APOLOGIES

There was an apology for absence received from Cllr Mrs McKean.

6065 MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

a. To receive declarations of pecuniary & non-pecuniary interests

Non –pecuniary declaration were received from:

Cllr Fuller – as Chair of IW Council Planning Committee and he withdrew for item 6067

Cllrs Budgen, Harrison and Jacob – the Open Spaces Project as they live close by (item 6072)

b. Dispensation requests

No dispensation requests were received

6065 MINUTES

a. The Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 12^h June 2014 were taken as read, amended(6054) to include:- That a further two copies of the petition raised by local residents were handed to Cllr P. Fuller and Mr L Matthews (IW Council), and that Cllr Nolan had requested from the Parish Clerk the file containing all correspondence in connection with the footpath, and he found that there were no

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copies of any letters sent from the Parish Council to local landowners, the minutes were then approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman

6066 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING ON 12th JUNE 2014

- a. Mr M Coles has been approached and after seeing the accounts in total at the clerk's home has agreed to become the internal auditor.
- b. Cllr Sean Harrison has agreed to present the objections raised by the Parish Council at the Planning Committee Meeting on 22/07/14, and he has met with both Cllr Fuller and Mr G Malone on the matter.
- c) Contact has been made with Island Roads regarding the lack of adequate lighting in Albert Road. They are carrying out investigations regarding why the original lamppost was removed.
- d) A leaflet has been produced by Cllr Fuller and the clerk advising residents who to contact in the event of a flood. This can be printed locally and laminated by the clerk at very little cost to the council.
- e) Letters have been sent by the Parish Clerk to the landowners concerned with footpaths CS16 and 17, but no response has been received from Messrs Downer and an email was received from Mr and Mrs Smith acknowledging receipt of the letter.

It was:

RESOLVED:

- 1 That Mr M Coles is appointed as Internal Auditor
- 2 That Cllr Harrison presents the Parish Council objections to the Planning Committee
- 3 That the clerk prints and laminates 40 copies of the flood leaflet, which Cllrs Fuller and Harrison will deliver.
- 4 That Cllr McNeil makes an informal approach to the Downers and reports back to the Parish Council.

Cllr Fuller left the room for the following item.

6067 PLANNING, LICENSING & TREE PRESERVATION ORDER APPLICATIONS

- a. Cllr Nolan presented the following planning application and the council's consideration it was:-

1) RESOLVED: That the following application was approved:-

Application No: P/00746/14 Alt Ref: TCP/31917 (871)

Location: 26 Church Road,

Proposal: Demolition of single/two storey rear extension and porch; two storey rear extension to provide additional living accommodation; single storey side extension to provide garage; replacement porch

- b. That there were no planning decisions to note.

c. There were no planning appeals received.

Cllr Fuller returned at this point.

- d. One licensing application was received

A TEN 46298 has been approved for the Little Gloster for 24th and 25th July 2015.

- e. There was one Tree Preservation Order received – TPO2014/36 – Sunnycot Caravan Park

f. An opportunity for comments to be made on the Rural Housing Policy Review

- g. The continued use of paper plans for Planning Applications was discussed

RESOLVED:

- 1) That no comments are made on the Rural Housing Policy Review

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- 2) That the Parish Council continues to receive the paper plans for planning applications and reviews the situation in one year's time.

6068 REPORTS

- a. Cllr Harrison had nothing to report
- b. The Parish Clerk had nothing to report
- c. Cllr Fuller (Isle of Wight Councillor for Cowes West and Gurnard) provided a written report and was available for any questions. He advised that he is spending a lot of time helping residents with their objections to the proposed Place Road development, and that he held a public meeting on Tuesday this week. He also held a meeting with residents of Marsh Road. Eighteen of these residents are applying for £5,000 of funding each towards repairs of the seawall, and that the re-instated wall would not require planning permission, and that the Rights of Way department of the Isle of Wight Council has pledged £1, 000 towards the project.
- d. The minutes of the meeting of the Gurnard Village Hall Association held on 19th June 2014 were received and noted, particularly the fact that new trustees are being sought.
- e. The minutes of the AGM of IWALC were received and noted.
- f. The Planning Meeting minutes for 26.06.14 were received and noted.

At this point, the agenda was suspended (8.05 p.m.) to talk to the Chair of the Village Hall Association regarding the possible use of storage space for the Parish Council. Space is available both under the stage and within one corner room.

RESOLVED: That Cllrs Harrison and Spencer work with the clerk during the month of August to reduce the amount of storage required by the Parish Council and organises a move from Inner Spaces to the Village Hall.

The meeting agenda items now followed in order (8.15pm).

6069 REVIEW OF THE IMPLICATIONS OF THE CRIME AND DISORDER ACT 1998

The policy was reviewed, it was noted that there is no Neighbourhood Watch coordinator at present. Cllr Bugden offered her services to act as Neighbourhood Watch coordinator for the village.

RESOLVED:

- 1) That Cllr Bugden is the new Neighbourhood Watch coordinator
- 2) That there are no amendments required to the Implications of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998.

6070 REVIEW OF REGISTER OF INTERESTS

Cllrs were reminded of the need to regularly review their Registers of Interest. Cllr Fuller had completed an amended form last month.

RESOLVED: To remind councillors on a six monthly basis.

6071 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Steering Group Meeting 26/06/14

Minutes of the meeting held were circulated. Cllr Javaid provided a précis of the meeting.

6072 OPEN SPACES PROJECT

A meeting of the Community Projects Committee was held on 08/07/14 and minutes were circulated. The Terms of Reference of the Committee were reviewed and after some discussion it was:

RESOLVED:

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- 1) That the Community Projects Committee in its present format is dissolved, with a new Working Party be set up in its place.
- 2) That new Terms of reference for the Community Project Working Party are constructed for councillors to discuss
- 3) That notice is given to the Isle of Wight Council that the Parish Council intends to carry out further public consultation both with an article in the Gurnard News and a meeting in the Village Hall in the autumn before the project can be discussed any further.

6073 BEACH SIGNS

Cllr Fuller had been approached by residents from the bottom of Solent View Road requesting Parish Council support for the installation of signs on the beach advising which areas are public and which are private.

RESOLVED:

That no further action is taken.

6074 STREET FURNITURE

The Parish Clerk had obtained quotations for the refurbishment of the Notice Board and Map Boards, and is working to match the asset register to the list of assets owned by the Parish but now maintained by Island Roads as part of the PFI contract.

RESOLVED:

- 1) That the Parish Clerk instructs a contactor to refurbish the parish council notice board and map boards at the most cost effective price.
- 2) That Cllr Nolan works with the clerk to produce a list of assets that will still require a maintenance programme from the street furniture budget.

6075 MISCELLANEOUS CORRESPONDENCE

All electronic mail has been circulated to all members, and the hard copy mail is available for inspection.

6062 ACCOUNTS

- a. The quarterly figures for expenditure against the budget was presented. Cllrs were concerned about the cost of the clerk's pension – this had been resolved at the May meeting (minute number 6047 refers). The clerk advised that although the pension costs were higher, the total of salary, pension, tax and insurance will be reduced from last year, and will remain in line with the total budget costs.

The cost of the retirement gift for the previous clerk and the chairman's travel to Buckingham Palace will be vired to another heading.

RESOLVED: That the expenditure figures are agreed and noted

- b. **There were no Petty Cash payments for approval.**

- c. **That the following cheque payments were approved:**

Equiti Financial Services	£10.00
All Saints Church	£9.00
Petty Cash	£50.00
Inner Spaces	£47.93
GVHA	£56.00
Garden Tidy	£30.00

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Wight Business Services	£81.61
Biffa	£88.92
Mrs S Waters	£41.56
SLCC	£40.00
Mrs S Waters	£664.08
IWC Pension Scheme	£252.70
HMRC	£239.63
NALC	£17.00
Total	£1,628.43

6063 ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

- 1) Policy for additional memorial benches
- 2) Litter Pick arrangements for October – Cllrs McKean and Spencer.

6064 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

There were no members of the public or the press to exclude from this item.

6065 PERSONNEL WORKING GROUP

A meeting had been held on Wednesday 2nd July to discuss the clerk's three month's probationary period. It was:

RESOLVED:

- 1) That the contract is confirmed
- 2) That project hours are recorded separately
- 3) That A.H. Cross & Co. are appointed to provide a monthly payroll service at a cost of £12.50 per month
- 4) That £40 is paid to the SLCC towards the re-submission fee for the clerk's CiLCA qualification.

The meeting closed at 9.10pm.

CHAIRMAN