

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting of Gurnard Parish Council held at Gurnard Village Hall in Worsley Road, Gurnard on Thursday 10th October 2013 at 7pm.

PRESENT: **Councillors** Javaid (Chairman), Fuller, Jacobs, McNeill, Nolan & Mrs Bugden

The representatives from the Environment and Neighbourhoods Team and the Safer Neighbourhoods Team were not able to attend the meeting, but PCSO Lisa Paul sent a report which, in the past 30 days, included one crime with a drunk and disorderly male, who was arrested and went to court on 8/10/13. The speed watch exercise was well advertised by the Police with leaflets being given out, and this took place at the south end of Rew Street and was attended by 4 residents. 6 cars were observed exceeding the speed limit going down the hill, and an induction event for volunteers will take place soon. A similar event in Pallance Road the same day was well attended.

Comments from members of the public (1 + IWCP)

The current IW Council constitutional review was raised, and the pros and cons of each of the 3 possible options were explained, but option 2 (committees) was favoured.

5893 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from PCSO Paul, Cllr Harrison who had a work commitment, and from Cllr Mrs McKean who had a prior engagement.

5894 MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

Councillor Fuller made a non-pecuniary declaration of interest in agenda item 5 due to him serving on the IW Council's planning committee.

b. Dispensation requests

No dispensation requests were received

5895 MINUTES

a. The Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 26th September 2013 were taken as read, approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman

5896 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING ON 26th SEPTEMBER 2013

a. Parish Council Vacancy

Re: 5864a (5814r, 5832b, & 5847f also refer)

The last deadline came and went without any applications being received. Accordingly the deadline has been extended to 7/11/13, and the vacancy re-advertised.

b. Cycling on the Esplanade

Re: 5876

Contact was made with Parks & Countryside at the IW Council, but it seems policy making and enforcement now lies with Island Roads. A response from Island Roads is expected soon. Also a resident has written enclosing a letter, which was forwarded to all Councillors on 18/9/13, which stated that cycling on the Esplanade is lawful and should be encouraged.

c. Document & Equipment Storage

Re: 5888 (5871 also refers)

20 square feet of storage was taken up at Inner Spaces on 4th October and a large percentage of the historical documents and equipment has been transferred there.

5897 PLANNING, LICENSING & TREE PRESERVATION ORDER APPLICATIONS

a. Report from Parish Clerk.

The following planning application has been approved:

P/00950/13: Proposed swimming pool enclosure at 115, Baring Road, Cowes.

The following temporary event notice has been submitted:

Sale of alcohol, provision of regulated entertainment and provision of late night refreshment between 6pm and 10.30pm at Gurnard Village Hall on 16th November 2013.

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- b. **P/01201/13:** Variation of condition No 2 on P/01837/12 TCP/30862/A to allow amendments to approved plans to include installation of jacuzzi and external fireplace and reduction in ground levels at 76, Worsley Road, Cowes
Resolved: That the Parish Council has no objection to the application and has no further comment to make.

5898 REPORTS

a. Parish Council Chairman

There was nothing to report.

b. Parish Clerk

There have been some recent problems with the website with an attempt to fundamentally upgrade some sections failed. This proved to be a hosting error, which has been rectified.

The issue of the Gurnard Heights footpath claim (5834b & 5847e refer) was raised again, with it still being unclear if the Parish Council has to conduct further local consultation. **It was agreed that Councillor Fuller will speak to the IW Council tomorrow.**

The Tree Officer has been asked, in addition to the Trafalgar 200 oak tree on the Village Green, to inspect a tree outside 19 Solent View Road.

Age UK has thanked the Parish Council for the £200 grant for the Gurnard Club.

Island Roads has again been asked to deal with pavement and highway weeds, especially in Bay View Road.

The extinguished lights outside the ladies & gents have been reported

A recent inspection of the play area revealed a low key graffiti attack on the inside of the play ship, which has been cleaned off now.

Age UK has another good neighbor scheme meeting tomorrow 10am at St Andrew's Hall in Cowes, and Cllrs Javaid & Mrs Bugden will attend.

The Clerk attended a planning training event last night, which looked at the pros and cons of Neighbourhood Plans and Area Action Plans. 21 Councillors and Clerks attended and most of the time was spent on Area Action Plans and how Parishes can work with the IW Council. It was a worthwhile event with some useful information about policy report writing, and more events are planned in the next few months.

c. IW Councillor

Cllr Fuller provided a written report which included the 44 Worsley Road approval, safe routes to school, school holidays, CS16 footpath consultation, a new Principal at Cowes Enterprise College, Gurnard PC being treated as a special purchaser of the former school playing fields and the local action plan. Finally there was a log of Councillor Fuller's activities this past month, and questions followed.

d. Community Transport

Minutes 5269c, 5288, 5319g, 5337, 5352, 5368, 5421g, 5440, 5456, 5471, 5489, 5508, 5522e, 5538d, 5552d, 5568e, 5588, 5622f, 5637h, 5653d, 5667d, 5686d, 5705d, 5726d, 5741i, 5755d, 5770d, 5790, 5825, 5834d, 5849d & 5866d refer.

A change to the No 32 route is being considered to include the new Aldi store, and driver candidate Stuart Painting has been put in touch with the coordinator. Finally a 100% increase in the flat rate fare was introduced last week, and Cllr Fuller has been on the case. It has now been agreed that under 18's will travel free and the £2 fare will now be a return fare. A local Forum meeting took place yesterday and a request is being made to have the IW Community Bus Forum reconstituted. The local forum will meet again in about 6 weeks.

e. Neighbourhood Plan

Minutes 5306, 5525, 5538f, 5555, 5570, 5587, 5624, 5644, 5691, 5709, 5730, 5741e, 5758, 5773, 5786f, 5821, 5836, 5851, 5867 & 5886c refer

The MRTPI consultant's figures arrived and so the Locality funding application for £7K has been submitted. The next N/Hood Plan Steering Group meeting is 24/10/13.

f. GVHA AGM 19/9/13

8 people attended, and no committee elections took place. Annual reports were made by Chairman and Treasurer, and due to the hall being busier admin costs were slightly up on last year with GVHA just managing to break even. The existing committee remains in place, and the 2014 AGM will be 8th September at 7pm.

5899 LITTER PICK 26/10/13

Minute 5855c refers.

In July it was agreed that the litter pick exercise would take place on Saturday 26th October 2013, meeting outside the Village Hall at 10am. Councillor Mrs McKean would lead the event. Consideration was given as to the area to litter pick, and it was:

Agreed: That the Parish Council litter picks Gurnard Beach, and some streets if there are enough volunteers.

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5900 OPEN SPACES PROJECT

Minutes 4960, 5152a, 5062, 5104h, 5123c, 5253f, 5189a, 5302, 5317b, 5331b, 5454, 5495, 5523b, 5554, 5573, 5591, 5626, 5637i, 5656, 5668, 5687, 5706, 5729, 5741f, 5757, 5772, 5788, 5822, 5835, 5850 & 5866e refer.

a. Report:

A small working party of the Community Projects Committee met on 23rd September to look at all the quotes received for both groundwork and equipment, and has come up with some recommendations for the committee to consider in November. The IW Council's cabinet met on Tuesday this week, and on the agenda was consideration of the Parish Council being treated a special purchaser of the 2 open spaces sites at the former Primary School. Councillor Fuller confirmed that this was passed, but the details of any transfer have yet to be discussed with the Parish Council.

b. Planning Application for Change of Use - Arboriculture & Ecology Report

The Parish Council approved the current site plan on 11/12/12 (minute 5729b), and also approved the submission of a planning application on 11/9/12 (minute 5668c). An arboriculture & ecology report will need to accompany the application, which will cost about £300. Consideration was given to approving this expenditure and it was

Resolved: That the Parish Council defers a decision on this until all the details of the asset transfer are clarified.

c. Marketing Strategy

There was nothing to discuss on this topic.

5901 SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE

This year's service of remembrance takes place at All Saints Church in Gurnard at 3pm on Sunday 10th November 2013, and the idea of laying a wreath at the service was considered.

Resolved: That the Parish Council donates £40 for the purchase of a wreath from the Royal British Legion, and that Councillor Harrison represents the Parish Council at the service to lay the wreath.

5902 CONSULTATIONS

Minute 5856 & 5878 refer

The Parish Council considered **if and how** it would respond to 2 consultations:

a. IW Council – Constitutional Review

Resolved: That the Parish Council supports the committee system

b. IW Council: Modification of Public Footpath CS17 (Coastal Footpath)

Resolved: That the Parish Council's original comments on CS16 stand, but that it has no objection to the proposals for CS17

5903 ACCOUNTS

a. Internal Audit 7/10/13

The 1st of the Internal Audits for 2013/2014 was carried out on 7/10/13, and the report was copied to members for consideration.

Resolved: That the Parish Council notes and approves the Internal Audit.

b. Financial Review – 2nd Quarter 2013/2014

The 2nd of this year's quarterly financial reviews was completed at the end of September, and copies of both general income & expenditure and projects income & expenditure were circulated to members. The accounts books and bank statements were made available at the meeting for inspection.

Resolved: That the Parish Council notes and approves the financial review for the 2nd quarter 2013/2014.

c. Petty Cash

The Parish Council was informed of the £2.40 expenditure from this account since the 12/9/13 meeting.

d. Payments

Resolved: To confirm the following payments

Inner Spaces	£67.00
Chris Broughton Associates	£3,000.00
Plan Research	£150.00
SLCC	£474.00
Age UK	£200.00

e. **Resolved: To make the following payments**

Telephone, broadband & calls	£20.49
Travelling	£48.60
Stationery & storage solutions	£43.00
Ferry fare	£43.60
Salaries	£1,011.35

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Post Office Ltd	£3,171.93
Project Admin	£5,258.67
GVHA	£124.00
Steve Dines	£9.50
S Truckell	£40.00
The Governor	£432.00
Justin Gardner	£2,160.00
Project admin (to be paid 14/11/13)	£636.91
Inner Spaces (to be paid 1/11/13)	£51.00
Inner Spaces (4 weekly standing order from 29/11/13)	£46.20

f. Transfer

Resolved: To transfer £48.79 from the Parish Council's HSBC Treasurer's account to its HSBC Business account.

g. Transfer

Resolved: To transfer £3,500.00 from the Parish Council's HSBC Savings account to its HSBC Treasurer's account.

5904 ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

a. Best Kept Village Awards report, including Village Maps

The meeting closed at 8.57pm.

CHAIRMAN