



Minutes of the meeting of the Gurnard Parish Council held at Gurnard Village Hall in Westbrook Lane, Gurnard on Thursday 16 June 2016 at 7.00pm.

PRESENT: **Councillors** Harrison (7.08) (Chair) Budgen, Fuller, McKean, McNeill, and Nolan.

PCSO Derek Howard attended and sent a written report which was circulated to members. There were two reported crimes in Gurnard last month, compared to 3 last year. A letter drop was carried out to all properties in Worsley Road, Solent View Road, Albert Road, Church Road, Cockleton Lane, Rew Street and Tuttons Hill regarding a Speedwatch demonstration. Only 4 volunteers turned up. The Community priorities remain the same. Questions were raised about (a) the bicycle being left at the top of Tutton's Hill and (b) the problem with youths Skateboarding by the Village Clock. The advice given was (a) this is an IW Council not a Police issue matter and (b) to telephone 101 and the Police will then respond.

There were 4 Members of the Public present who asked questions.

One resident asked why a Community Notice board was on the agenda as one had been provided by Gurnard Village Hall Association – the clerk responded that she was not aware of the project by GVHA.

Two residents raised an issue about the Planning Application – P/00593/16 (Readers (IOW) Limited). They live next door to the development and raised concerns about the amount of rubble being compacted at the back of the site which is raising the level, which could cause flooding to their property. The matter was passed to Councillor Fuller (as Ward Councillor) who will raise their concerns with the Planning Department.

6395 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillors Jacobs and Javaid.

6396 MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

Councillors Bugden and Harrison declared non- pecuniary interest in the Open Spaces Project in that they both live near to the site.

b. Dispensation requests

No dispensation requests were received

6397 MINUTES

The draft minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 12 May 2016 were taken as read, approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

6398 PLANNING

a) There were four planning applications to consider. It was

RESOLVED:

- 1) That the Parish Council raises no objection to application number P/00593/16 (Readers (IOW) Limited but raises concerns about the height of the building, the flow of traffic, the potential problem with flooding and apparent lack of drainage. They would suggest that Section 106**

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funding is used to improve the flow of traffic at the Round House, Three Gates Road and Four Cross junctions, and to provide adequate screening to protect neighbouring properties.

- 2) The Parish Council raises no objections to the applications numbered: P/00655/16, P/00715/16 and P/00726/16.
- b) The clerk advised that planning permission had been refused to the following application: P/00436/16 Cliff Cabin, Rew Street, even though the Parish Council raised no objections.

6399 REPORTS

- a. Parish Council Chairman
The Parish Chairman had nothing to report.
- b. Parish Clerk
The Clerk provided a written report which was circulated to members. She highlighted the on-going problems with the mobile telephone service.
- c. IW Councillor
Councillor Fuller circulated a copy of his report which included details of his activity the past month. A question was raised about the digger activity on the beach – Councillor Fuller advised that upon checking, he was advised that all the relevant permissions for the work were in place.
- d. No one was able to attend the IWALC meeting on 19 May 2016, so minutes will be circulated when received.
- e. Councillor McKean provided a short written report on the My Life a Full Life meeting held on 19 May 2016 - the meeting very poorly attended, no service providers from this area, West Wight seem to be much more proactive with their projects for the community.
- f. The notes from the Community Waste Forum meeting held on 24 May 2016 were circulated. Councillor Budgen advised that no suitable location has been found for the mobile recycling center in Gurnard. It was suggested that Isle of Wight Community Club are approached as a potential site to service Gurnard, Cowes and Northwood.
- g. The notes from the Open Spaces Project Working Group held on 6 June 2016 were received. It was **RESOLVED: That the funds set aside for another rotivator session are vired for the Green Gym visit on Wednesday 14 September, which will cost £50.00.**
- h. No-one was able to attend the Community Waste Forum meeting held on 6 June 2016, so the notes will be circulated when received.
- i. The notes from the Personnel Working Group meeting held on 2 June 2016 were circulated – it was: **RESOLVED: that this item is held over until the end of the meeting and that members of the public and press are excluded.**

6400 SERVICE CHARGE FOR WESTBROOK LANE

The draft letter constructed following the meeting with the solicitor (the clerk, Councillors Fuller and Jacobs) was circulated, and it was:

RESOLVED:

- 1) **That the draft letter is approved and forwarded to the agent.**

6401 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

A written update was received from the Chairman of the Steering Group plus the notes of the meeting held on 13 June 2016. It was

RESOLVED: That John Slater (Planning Consultant) is engaged to replace Alyson to assist with the planning issues raised by the public consultation on the draft plan.

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6402 IW COUNCIL CONSULTATIONS

The Strategies for the West Wight Coastal Flood and Erosion Risk Management and Parking were circulated. It was:

RESOLVED:

- 1) That Councillor Fuller responds on behalf of the Parish Council for the West Wight Coastal Flood and Erosion Risk Management to reflect the views of residents who attended the consultation day held last month.
- 2) That Councillor Bugden will collate answers from councillors and that a Parish Council response will be formulated at a meeting after the Planning meeting on 30 June 2016.

6403 STREET FURNITURE

a) New Notice Board

The clerk presented two quotations for the supply of a new metal notice board with a magnetic back board. Both quotations were in excess of the budget provided this year, so a third was sought. A brand new notice board has been installed in Westbrook Lane this week for the Gurnard Village Hall Association.

ACTION: That the clerk contacts the GVHA for the details of the provider of the board that they purchased including costings, and brings back further information to next month's meeting.

b) Notice Board for the village

A request had been received for the Parish Council to provide a notice board for village activities. The clerk provided costings from Island Roads to install a new board alongside the existing one. As the new board for GVHA includes a section for the community, another board is not required.

c) Bins and Benches on the Green

Following the survey by Councillor Nolan, the IW Council were contacted who advised that they would ask the Parish Council to pay half the cost of repairs as they have severe financial restraints. The clerk also had a meeting with Island Roads who offered to repaint the benches by the Beach Huts at no cost as part of a community volunteering project. The two bins which needs replacing would be cheaper via Island Roads but, would have to be emptied by them rather than the grounds maintenance contractor, at an additional cost.

It was:

RESOLVED:

- 1) That the offer to refurbish the six benches by the beach huts is accepted from Island Roads as part of their Community Volunteering programme, and an agenda item raised later in the year to request that they also refurbish the remainder of the benches on The Green.
- 2) That the Isle of Wight Council are advised of the above action, and then asked to replace both bins in that area which are rusted through and pose a Health and Safety risk.

6404 COUNCILLOR VACANCY

On May 27, Clive Joynes (Elections and Local Land Charges Manager), advised that an election had not been called, so a co-option process can begin. It was:

RESOLVED:

- 1) That candidates will be asked to submit a letter
- 2) That the closing date for applications will be 31 August 2016

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- 3) That the interviews for prospective candidates will be held at the September meeting of the Parish Council.

6405 ENVIRONMENT OFFICER

The clerk has been advised that the Environment Officer carries out a weekly inspection of the toilets as part of their duties. Councillor Fuller advised that a small pot of funding will be available to all Town and Parish Councils to help pay for repairs to the blocks ahead of the freehold transfer.

6506 WORLD WAR 1 BOOK

Councillor McKean advised that the WW1 book has been published and is to be launched on July 19th. It will then be sold at local outlets and proceeds will be divided between Help for Heroes and the British Legion. Copies have been given to schools, Parish Council's, contributors etc.

6507 COMMUNITY BUS

Councillor Fuller provided a verbal update regarding his negotiations with Southern Vectis for the Community Bus (No 32) to travel from Gurnard to Newport. He is still working on the issue and will keep the Parish Council informed.

Councillor McNeill left the meeting at 8.40 pm.

6508 ISLE OF WIGHT DAY

The new High Sherriff for the IW has requested that everyone celebrates an Isle of Wight Day on Saturday 24 September 2016. Discussions took place about the WI afternoon tea for the Queen's 90th Birthday which was not well supported, the Harvest Festival which is the weekend before and that Cowes Town Council are organising an event which Gurnard residents could attend. It was:
RESOLVED: That the Parish Council does not hold an event but that the Scouts and Guides are provided with the information to see if they wish to organise anything for the day.

6509 NEW POLICIES

The clerk circulated copies of a new Dignity at Work, plus an Equality and Diversity Policy. It was:
RESOLVED: That both the policies are approved and adopted.

6510 ACCOUNTS

- a. Monthly electronic payments totaling £4,398.88 were circulated.
- b. The cost of providing financial support for the Planning Enforcement service was circulated.
It was **RESOLVED:**

1 That electronic payments totaling £4,398.88 were approved

2 That an additional "top up" to the Planning Enforcement" service provided by the Isle of Wight Council is funded for this year at a cost of £487.00.

6511 ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

Cook's Bay Access

Parish Council Notice Board

Meeting closed at 10.05pm after the confidential business – appendix A