

GURNARD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Gurnard Parish Council held at Gurnard Village Hall in Westbrook Lane, Gurnard on Wednesday 8 November 2017 at 7.00pm.

PRESENT: **Councillors** Fuller (Chair), Budgen, Fuller, Jacobs, McKean and Nolan.

There were 2 members of the public present

PSCO Derek Howard attended the meeting plus sent a written report which was circulated to members. There were five reported crimes in Gurnard for September compared to five in October 2016. The community priorities remain the same and a PACT meeting will be held on 8 December 2017 at Cowes Library. A question was asked about any arrests for the crimes. Derek will feed back to the clerk any updates on the crimes.

6633 APOLOGIES

There were apologies for absence received from Councillors Bartrum (who has now resigned) and Harrison.

6634 MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

Councillor Fuller declared a non-pecuniary interest in that he is a member of the Isle of Wight Council. Councillors Budgen and Jacobs declared non-pecuniary interests in that they live close to the site of Cockleton Meadow.

Councillor Bugden and Jacobs declared non-pecuniary interests in that they are both on the Gurnard Village Hall Association.

b. Dispensation requests

No written dispensation requests were received.

6635 MINUTES

It was:

RESOLVED:

The draft minutes of the meeting held on 11 October 2017 were read and approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

6636 PLANNING

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

RESOLVED: That the Parish Council makes no objections to the following applications:-

P/01241/17 – 30 Marsh Road, P/01243/17 Sa Breeze, Rew Street, P/01276/17 12 Shore Path, P/01271/17 10 Woodvale Road.

b) There were two planning decisions received. It was noted that although the Parish Council objected to application number P/00667/17 the applicant spoke to neighbours about the concerns raised which echoed the Parish Council concerns and the design was slightly changed. The Application was passed with the new design.

6637 REPORTS

a. Parish Council Chairman

The Parish Chairman was unable to attend this month.

b. Parish Clerk

The Clerk provided a written report which was circulated ahead of the meeting which advised about the recent loan of the mini- Annie to the Ambulance Training Department. As this piece of equipment was given to the Parish Council but cannot be used by them, due to none of the councillors or the clerk being accredited trainers, the equipment has now been "gifted" to the Ambulance Training

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Department. Councillors asked that when another training session is provided for residents, this gift is taken into account.

c. IW Councillor

Councillor Fuller circulated a copy of his report which covered his activities in the past month. A question was asked the problems with the Floating Bridge. Councillor Fuller advised the current review will be presented to the Scrutiny Committee in January 2018. The problem of dog fouling within the village was discussed and this will form an article in the Gurnard News to ask residents for comments. Once received, the problem will be discussed by the Parish Council and invite the Environmental Officer to the next meeting.

d. The minutes of the Local Access Forum meeting held on 9 September 2017 were received and noted.

e. The notes from the clerk's attendance at National Conference 2017 held on 18 and 19 October were received and noted.

f. The notes from Councillor Bugden's attendance at the Community Waste Forum held on 19 September 2017 were received and noted. Councillor Bugden advised that food waste recycling is carried out on the mainland.

g. The notes from the clerk's attendance at the Regional Conference held on 1 November 2017 were received and noted.

6638 FINANCE

a) The clerk presented the cheque and electronic payments for approval.

b) Councillor Bugden presented the recommendations from the Grant Panel.

RESOLVED

(i) **That £3904.89 cheque and electronic payments are approved.**

(ii) **That the Parish Councils grants funds to:**

The Elephant Club £100.00

All Saints Church for the production of the Gurnard News £500.00

Coffee and Chat club £100.00

Gurnard Parent and Toddler Group £150.00

That no grant is awarded to the Citizen's Advice as their application does not fit the criteria.

(iii) **That £1150.00 is retained in the budget for future applications**

6639 CASUAL VACANCY

The clerk had circulated the CV of Ginny Orrey who has volunteered to be co-opted onto the Parish Council. She attended the meeting in person and answered questions posed by the councillors present. It was:

RESOLVED:

a) **That the Parish Council co-opts Mrs. Ginny Orrey to the Parish Council with immediate effect.**

B) **That Ginny Orrey signs the Declaration of Office in front of the clerk as the Responsible Officer of the Parish Council.**

Councillor Orrey then joined the councillors and took part in the remainder of the meeting.

6640 WATER SUPPLY TO THE TAP

The clerk presented a document from the Isle of Wight Council advising that the sub-meter which will monitor the water supply to the tap has now been fitted. It was:

RESOLVED: That the Parish Council are happy with the wording for the water supply to the tap on the Green and can now proceed with taking over the freehold. Councillor Nolan has volunteered to take the meter readings twice per year once advised by the clerk that they are required.

6641 COCKLETON MEADOW

Following concerns raised by councillors regarding the liability for the use of the Fire Pit, Councillor Nolan removed the unit to the shed at the site until the Risk Assessment and Insurance was in place.

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The clerk presented an amended Risk Assessment for the site which includes the use of the Fire Pit. Some slight changes to the Risk Assessment were agreed by councillors. The Parish Council insurers have approved the safety measures now in place, including the conditions of use which will be added to the signage and posted on the website. It was:

RESOLVED:

- a) **That the emergency decision is ratified by the Parish Council to remove the Fire Pit from the Cockleton Meadow site until the liability to the Parish Council is resolved.**
- b) **That signage is purchased to provide the conditions of use for the fire pit and once this is in place, the fire pit can be returned to the site for use.**

6642 GURNARD VILLAGE HALL ASSOCIATION

A letter from the Secretary of the Gurnard Village Hall was circulated to councillors that requested financial support from the Parish Council towards the cost of a new heating system for the hall. The Parish Council as leaseholders have the responsibility for any repairs to the building, although to date, all repairs have been funded and overseen by the GVHA. It was:

RESOLVED: That the Parish Council supports the Village Hall Association in that up to £15,000 is provided within next year's budget to pay for the new heating system for the hall. The clerk will ask the GVHA for sight of the quotations received and once the work has been commissioned, the invoices should be sent to the clerk for payment.

6643 FINANCIAL WORKING GROUP

Councillor McKean volunteered to sit on the Financial Working Group at the Annual meeting of the Parish Council, pending new councillors being appointed. The position was offered to all councillors present. It was:

RESOLVED: That Councillor Bugden joins the Financial Working Group until the end of the municipal year.

6644 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

In accordance with section 1 (2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act of 1960, the Press and Public will be excluded from the following item, having due regard to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted. It was:-

RESOLVED: That the Press and Public were excluded from the remainder of the meeting due to the confidential business being discussed.

Meeting closed at 8.30 pm

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Chairman

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Mini Annie

As part of the Defibrillator funded by the British Heart Foundation, a mini Annie was supplied. As decided at the June meeting of the Parish Council, training for use of the equipment should be carried out by accredited trainers and not by the clerk or councillors. To this end, the mini Annie was lent to the IW Ambulance Training Department for use on its national "Restart a Heart" training programme which successfully trained 428 people on the Island to use CPR on 16 October 2017. The Ambulance Training Department then requested a donation of the unit for future training schemes. The unit was provided free of charge to the Parish Council and as it will not be used by the clerk or councillors, it has been donated. The Ambulance Department are very grateful.

Miscellaneous correspondence

The hard copy correspondence which has been received is listed below – all other electronic correspondence has been forwarded to councillors by email.

- 1 Island Business magazine – October 2017 edition
- 2 Glasdon – leaflet
- 3 Landscape and Product Amenity Update
- 4 Clerks and Councils Direct – November 2017 edition