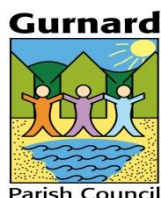


GURNARD PARISH COUNCIL



Minutes of a meeting of Gurnard Parish Council held at Gurnard Village Hall in Westbrook Lane, Gurnard on Wednesday 12 September 2018 at 7.00pm.

PRESENT: **Councillors** Orrey (Chair), Bugden, Fuller, Jacobs, Laurens, McKean and Nolan.

Five members of the Public were present who wished to speak later on in the meeting.

As PSCO Howard was unable to attend, two colleagues presented the written report which had been circulated to members. There were three reported crimes in August 2018 compared with six for the same period last year. The Police wished to emphasise that the reported crimes did not involve any strangers and that Gurnard remains a safe place to live.

6771 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillors Harrison and Vaughan.

6772 MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

No declarations of interest were received.

b. Dispensation requests

No dispensation requests were received.

6773 MINUTES

The draft minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 11 July 2018 were taken as read, approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

6774 PLANNING

a) There was one planning application to consider. Following discussion with the architect and applicants, councillors were satisfied that the objections from the neighbouring properties had been taken into account.

It was

RESOLVED: That Gurnard Parish Council raises no objections to application number P/00941/18 – 22 Albert Road.

b) There were two planning decisions received.

6775 REPORTS

a. Parish Council Chair

The Chair provided a verbal report of her activities during the summer.

b. Parish Clerk

The Parish Clerk circulated a written report which updated councillors on items not on the agenda.

c. IW Councillor

Councillor Fuller provided a copy of his report setting out his activities over the preceding month. Members of the public asked about the issue of bonfires on the site of the Meadow View development on Place Road about which several residents had sent complaints to him, the Parish Council and the Planning Department. In relation to Phase One – bonfires are not allowed, but this restriction has been breached on at least three occasions, including one incident in June when the fire became out of control and threatened residents' properties, necessitating the Fire Service being called. Phase Two appears to allow bonfires in restricted times.

d. The minutes from the Local Access Forum meeting held on 5 July 2018 were received and noted.

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- e. The notes of the Friends of Cockleton Meadow meeting held on 18 July 2018 were received and noted.
- f. The minutes of the Isle of Wight Association of Local Councils meeting held on 19 July 2018 were received and noted.
- g. The notes from the Designation of Green Spaces meeting held with an Isle of Wight Council officer on 30 August 2018 were received and noted. A date for the Working Party and membership of the group was discussed.
- h. No-one from the Parish Council was able to attend the Gigabit conference held on 6 September 2018
- i. The clerk's notes from the Town and Parish Council meeting with the Isle of Wight Council held on 10 September 2018 were received and noted.

It was:-

RESOLVED:

- (i) That the clerk will arrange with Amey for a "question and answer" session - for residents to discuss local waste issues.**
- (ii) That a letter will be sent by the clerk on behalf of the Parish Council to the Head of the Planning Department and Environmental Health, supporting the complaint by Councillor Fuller (as Ward Councillor) as no commercial waste should be burnt on a bonfire.**
- (ii) That the Green Spaces Working Party will comprise Councillors Bugden, Laurens and Nolan (although all councillors are welcome to attend): and that the first meeting will take place on Wednesday 26 September 2018 after the Planning Committee meeting.**

Councillor Fuller left the room for ten minutes following his report as he was unwell.

6776 FINANCE

- a. The clerk presented electronic payments totaling £19,624.59 for approval.
- b. The clerk presented the monthly bank reconciliations and copy of the bank statements for information.
- c. The Grant Panel provided a recommendation for the application received.
- d. The clerk presented the annual Audit Report This showed a clerical error in relation to the signing of the paperwork, which was not considered significant. The fee of £300 plus VAT was presented.
- e. The clerk presented the annual insurance schedule and details of the premium due. The Parish Council benefits from a three year deal, so the premium is not due for review, although the sums insured and levels of cover have been reviewed.
- f. The clerk advised that it had been necessary to transfer £10,000 from the Deposit Account to the Current Account to meet the Parish Council's financial commitments.

It was:

RESOLVED:

- a. That electronic payments totaling £19,624.57 are noted and approved.**
- b. That the monthly bank reconciliations and copy bank statements be received and noted.**
- c. That a sum of £150.00 be awarded to Gurnard Toddlers from the Community Grant budget and that £350.00 remains for any further applications**
- d. That the Audit Report be received and noted, and the annual fee of £300.00 plus VAT is approved.**
- E That the Insurance renewal premium be approved at a cost of £1,145.15**
- f. That the transfer of £10,000 from the Deposit Account to the Current Account to meet Parish Council financial commitments is noted and approved.**

6777 ITEMS REQUESTED BY COUNCILLORS

- a. Councillor Laurens provided a written report about the poor condition of the toilet block on the Green. She recommended that a working party be set up to consider refurbishment of the block and a new cleaning contractor from 1 April 2019.

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- b. Councillor Nolan provided a written report in which he thanked the Isle of Wight Council for installing bollards (part funded by the Parish Council) to protect the users of the play area from cars crossing the Green, and requested that councillors consider funding another additional six bollards along the western edge.
- c. Councillor Orrey presented the Terms of Reference for the Reducing Plastics working party for approval by councillors

It was:

RESOLVED:

- (i) That Gurnard Parish Council sets up a working party with Councillors Orrey, Laurens, Jacobs and Nolan to consider a comprehensive review of the public toilets in Gurnard under the agreed Terms of Reference, with a first meeting in the Green Room at All Saints church as soon as possible one morning when the hall is available.
- (ii) That Gurnard Parish Council funds the installation of a further six bollards to protect the users of the Play Area on the Green at a total cost of £660.00.
- (iii) That Gurnard Parish Council agrees the Terms of Reference for the Reducing Plastics working party and membership of Councillors Bugden, Fuller, McKean and Orrey. A first meeting date will be agreed during October.

Councillor Jacobs declared an interest in minute number 6778b as he is a member of the fitness club at Gurnard Pines.

6778 ITEMS RAISED BY THE CLERK

- a. Two policies were provided for review by members.
- b. A report regarding the possible funding of a community defibrillator for Gurnard Pines was provided. The manager of Fitness at Gurnard has plans to raise funds for the installation of a defibrillator which will be installed on the exterior of the main building of Gurnard Pines. The Isle of Wight Ambulance Service has supported the application, stating that a defibrillator is required in that location to provide a service for both the residents on site and those living in the locality.

It was:

RESOLVED:

- (i) That the Environment & Biodiversity and the Equality & Diversity policies are approved with no amendments.
- (ii) That the possible funding of a community defibrillator at Gurnard Pines is deferred until next month when an agenda item relating to residents' concerns will be discussed.

6779 ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

- a. Resident issues at Gurnard Pines (Councillor Fuller)
- b. People cycling on the promenade between Gurnard and Cowes (Councillor Bugden)
- c. The railings along the promenade between Gurnard and Cowes (Councillor Nolan)

The meeting closed at 8.40 pm.

CHAIR

Adding another two signatories to the bank

Councillors Orrey and Budgen have now signed all the paperwork to add them to the bank mandate. Existing signatories also had to sign the paperwork which delayed the process but the fully completed form was sent to the Unity Trust bank on 27 July 2018.

World War One commemorations

Two free silhouettes have been awarded to the Parish Council for the World War One commemorations on Sunday 11 November 2018. These represent the men who gave their lives and did not return. Gurnard Parish lost eleven people in the Great War, whose names are detailed on the memorial inside All Saints church. Amanda and I are meeting during September to finalise details of the event, and this will appear as an agenda item next month.

Garden Waste and Assisted collections

As tasked, I contacted Amey following the July meeting so I attended a meeting with Simon Butler from Amey held on 18 July 2018

Garden Waste

This is available to any single address with either a Green bin or three hessian sacks – the annual contract is £60.00. If three neighbours with smaller gardens wish to get together, as long as one is responsible for ensuring the sacks are at their house for collection and one payment is made – it can be shared.

Assisted Collections

Collection Plus is open to anyone for the £60 and allows Amey staff to enter resident's properties to collect their waste and return the bins. Assisted collections are free and are available to people who have difficulty presenting their waste to the kerbside, and there is no other able bodied person in the household over 18. However they must be applied for through the Isle of Wight Council for assessment

Amey staff have offered a "question and answer session" for residents. The Parish Council just has to supply a venue, date and time. Do you wish for this to go ahead?

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 – July 2018 edition
- 2 Solent News – Summer 2018 edition
- 3 Countryside Voice and Field Work – CPRE publications summer 2018
- 4 LCR – NALC magazine – summer 2018
- 5 Lloyds Bank – newsletter
- 6 Unity Trust Bank – letter advising a rise in interest rate to 0.40%
- 7 Island Business – August 2018 edition
- 8 Invitation to the Best kept Village Awards presentation evening – passed to Jenny (Gurnard in Bloom)
- 9 Invitation to the Citizen's Advice Bureau AGM – is anyone able to attend?
- 10 Clerk's and Council's Direct – September 2018 edition
- 11 The Clerk Magazine – September 2018 edition