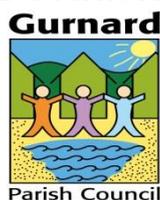


GURNARD PARISH COUNCIL



Minutes of the meeting of Gurnard Parish Council held at Gurnard Village Hall in Westbrook Lane, Gurnard on Wednesday 12 February 2020 at 6.00pm.

PRESENT: **Councillors** Nolan (Chair); Fuller; Bugden; Jacobs; Clayton; Wood and Smith
One member of the public

The Chairman welcomed Mrs Lisa Toyne from Age Friendly Island who presented the Parish Council with their Age Friendly Charter. PCSO Howard was unable to attend but had forwarded his report which was circulated to members. There were 4 crimes reported in January 2020, compared to 5 for the same period in 2019.

The meeting commenced at 6.05pm

6933 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received and approved for Cllrs Laurens and Williams

6934 MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

- a. Cllrs Bugden and Jacobs declared a non-pecuniary interest in 7a as they live close to the site
- b. No written dispensation requests received.

6935 MINUTES

The draft minutes of the meeting held on 8 January 2020 were taken as read, approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

6936 PLANNING, LICENSING & TREE PRESERVATION ORDER APPLICATIONS

Cllrs noted a revised application has been made for the land adjacent to Greenacres, 211 Baring Road for 4 houses. This appears to be in addition to the application for 6 houses and will be discussed at the Planning Committee meeting on 26 February 2020. It was also noted that the application is wrongly listed under Cowes again rather than Gurnard and so is not being identified within a search of Gurnard applications

RESOLVED: That the Clerk write to the planning authority and request that this is amended

The following planning decisions were received and noted:

- i. Application No: 19/01229/FUL
Location: Fortunes Field Westview Road
Proposal: Retention of four sheds, container, one greenhouse and one polytunnel
(Revised Description)
Decision: Granted
- ii. Application No: 19/00732/RVC
Location: Land At Dottens Farm Baring Road
Proposal: Variation of condition no.2 on P/00981/18 to allow alterations to scheme design
Decision: Granted
- iii. Application No: 19/00757/RVC
Location: Land To The Rear Of The Heritage To Shepards Hay Tuttons Hill And Fronting Place Road
Proposal: Variation of condition no 2 on P/01398/17 to allow revised design to Plot 87
Decision: Granted
- iv. Application No: 19/00756/RVC
Location: Land To The Rear Of The Heritage To Shepards Hay Tuttons Hill And Fronting Place Road
Proposal: Variation of condition no 2 on P/01398/17 to allow revised design to plot 86
Decision: Granted

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6937 REPORTS

a. Parish Council Chairman

The Chairman reported that he has fitted a new tap on the water butt for the mud kitchen at Old School Meadow which is working again now, and has fixed a 'No Parking in the Field' sign to the gate at the main entrance as agreed last month. He has also responded to a report from a member of the public about broken tiles in the Gents toilets on Gurnard Green.

b. Clerk's Report

The Clerk circulated her report prior to the meeting. Following confirmation from Island Roads that they can't assist with the beds on Worsley Road, a suggestion was made to engage Green Gym with this work to support Gurnard in Bloom. However Cllr Fuller's understanding following a site visit with the Island Roads District Steward was that Island Roads would cut back and manage these overgrown beds to allow vehicles to park hard against the kerb. The Clerk will follow this up with Island Roads. Pleasingly LAF Chairman and Landowner Mr. Mark Earp has agreed to be the key speaker at the Annual Parish meeting and Councillors suggested we ask him to talk for a maximum of 30 minutes to include questions. It was agreed the Clerk will write to the winner of the Parish Award and invite them to attend the Annual Parish Meeting. The Clerk asked Councillors if advertising the old GPC printer through a FaceBook charity page that had been recommended would be appropriate, however the Gurnard Next Door website was suggested and thought to be more suitable.

c. IW Councillor

IW Cllr Fuller circulated his report prior to the meeting and updated that he has been involved with Parking Services about parking outside Gurnard Primary School again. The double yellow lines are not working, parents are continuing to park in the cycle lane and the proposal now is it needs to be 'no loading' during the school drop off and pick up times rather than 'no waiting' to eliminate the 10 minute grace. The school are also keen to look at a permissive footpath from the seafront to the school although this idea will be scuppered if parking charges are implemented on the seafront. He is also looking at funding for the sea wall at Gurnard Marsh which has collapsed again following recent storms. Cllrs raised complaints received about bins being left on pavements, obstructing the path for wheelchair users on Newport Road and Place Road. Complaints have also been received about cars parking too far onto the pavement on the Gurnard side of Place Road. This will be put on the agenda for next month. There have been complaints about light pollution from the security lights at the new development on Place Road after the builders have left for the day, which Cllr Fuller agreed to talk to the Site Manager about, failing which Environmental Health. Cllrs asked whether any more was known about the café's suggestion to put a temporary ice cream kiosk on the seafront this summer while their new building work takes place, in terms of permission to do so and a tendering process? Cllr Fuller is meeting IWC's Head of Economic Development, Ashley Curzon on another matter and so will ask him about this then. Cllrs asked about the coastal path route and Cllr Fuller confirmed that unless an extension has been granted, the Secretary of State requires Natural England to have consulted on this by February 2020. The hope is for the coastal path to follow the permissive path through Spencers Copse and efforts made by Beauty in Perpetuity to have the route designated as a right of way were put on hold in light of this possibility. A tree has now fallen down across this path in Spencer's Copse and without a rights of way designation or knowledge of who the new owners are either side, there is no one to take responsibility for its removal. The Clerk will write to Land Registry following two previous searches attempting to establish ownership in order to resolve the issue now of access.

d. IWALC Infrastructure and Executive meetings

Minutes from both meetings were circulated and Cllr Fuller asked Cllrs what their thoughts were on IWALC's proposal to video conference their meetings for members only to encourage diversity and attendance and Cllrs largely felt it was worth trialling. Only attendees would be able to vote.

e. GVHA

GVHA met last week and Cllr Budgen reported that the finances are fairly stable with a kitty of approximately £12,000. A funding application is being proposed for works including sanding the floor. A CO2 and new smoke alarm have been fitted. The next meeting will be 14th May 2020.

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6938 FINANCE

- a. The Clerk presented electronic payments totalling £2579.06 for approval
RESOLVED: That electronic payments totalling £2579.06 are approved, with receipt of £3953.31 (VAT return) noted.
- b. The Clerk presented the bank statements and monthly bank reconciliations for January
RESOLVED: That the monthly bank reconciliation and bank statements are received and noted.

6939 ITEMS RAISED BY COUNCILLORS

- a. Old School Meadow (Cllr Nolan)
Cllrs considered the options and quotation for two pedestrian gates at Old School Meadow provided by Green Jiant Fencing, Landscaping and Maintenance Ltd
RESOLVED: That Green Jiant Fencing, Landscaping and Maintenance Ltd are instructed to supply and install two galvanised metal pedestrian gates at Old School Meadow.
It was commented that the meadow is looking a bit tatty and could do with a strim
RESOLVED: To ask Green Jiant to also strim the orchard and pond area as previously done
- b. IW Community Club (Cllr Fuller)
Cllrs considered the request from Milne Board, the Isle of Wight Community Club's Governing Body, for a representative from Gurnard Parish Council to join the board
RESOLVED: That no one is available to join the board at this time
- c. Double yellow lines on Marsh Road (Cllr Clayton)
Cllr Smith declared a prejudicial interest in this item, as he owns a boat at the Marsh. Cllrs considered a proposal for alternate double yellow lines on Marsh Road to give drivers a chance to see what's coming and pull in. Alternate lines were in place several years ago and since they were replaced with solid double lines on one side of the road, Island Roads have agreed that it's dangerous, but cannot do anything without Isle of Wight Council Highways approval.
RESOLVED: For the Clerk to write to Island Roads' Steve Ashman and IWC's Colin Rowland to request a site meeting to look at changing the configuration of the double lines given concerns raised about the speed of traffic and road safety.
- d. Great British Spring Clean 2020 (Cllr Bugden)
To agree on a date and organisation for this event to be held between 20 March and 13 April
RESOLVED: That 10pm Saturday 4th April 2020 is agreed for this year's Great British Spring Clean and Cllr Fuller to ask the Little Gloster if they wish to be involved.
- e. Proposed parking charges along Gurnard seafront (Cllr Fuller)
Cllrs discussed the IWC's proposal to introduce parking charges along Gurnard seafront. IW Cllr Fuller made his intention clear to oppose this proposal, suggesting alternative means for income generation such as long stay parking across the island need to be looked at instead. If it goes out to consultation he intends to work in preparation with local businesses on a petition to oppose it. Cllrs in full agreement with the impact on local businesses and adjoining streets, and older residents whose enjoyment of the seafront couldn't continue if parking charges were implemented.
RESOLVED: That Gurnard Parish Council strongly object to the proposal to implement car parking charges on Gurnard/Cowes seafront. Clerk to write to IWC's Alex Minns stating this objection.

6940 ITEMS RAISED BY THE CLERK

- a. Policies
To review the Freedom of Information Act Publication Scheme and Code of Conduct
RESOLVED: That the Freedom of Information Act Publication Scheme and Code of Conduct are reviewed and approved without amendment.
- b. Community Speed Watch
To consider and agree on participation in this scheme. It is unclear who will pay for the equipment and Cllrs Wood and Bugden offered to find out at the next PACT and Quarterly Police meetings.
RESOLVED: That Cllrs Fuller and Jacobs volunteer to participate in this scheme. Clerk to email the co-ordinator to let her know, and Cllr Fuller to talk to residents and users of Cockleton Lane to see if there are any other willing volunteers.
- c. Joint Panel on Accountability and Governance (JPAG's) Joint Practitioners Guide survey
To consider a Parish Council response to NALC's request for feedback regarding (JPAG's) Joint Practitioners Guide

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RESOLVED: For individuals to respond as they see fit.

6941 ITEMS TO INCLUDE ON FUTURE AGENDAS

To receive ideas from councillors for future agenda items which will be accompanied by a written report and expected outcomes for inclusion.

- Old School Meadow
- Annual Parish Meeting refreshments
- Public right of way through Gurnard Cliff Wood
- Parking on pavements on Place Road
- Toilet update

The meeting closed at 8.40 pm.

CHAIR
