

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WOOTTON BRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY
15 APRIL 2014 AT 7.30 PM IN WOOTTON COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL, CHURCH ROAD,
WOOTTON BRIDGE.

Present: Councillor Ken Morris – Chairman
Councillor Barry Abraham – Vice-Chairman
Councillors Corinne Carey, Brain Ballard, Barrie Hailstone, Pete Mundell, Daryll Pitcher,
Steve Porter

Also present 3 Members of the Public
1 Member of the press
Liz Kingston - Parish Clerk

Items raised in the Open Forum:

- **Proposed parking charges in Brannon Way car park**
Councillor Hailstone raised concerns about possible parking charges being implemented; however Councillor Pitcher explained that the council was looking at it when they did the consultation but did not implement it when they set the budget.
- **Woodside open day**
Councillor Hailstone stated he had a meeting with David Everest and that between the 25 May 2014 and 2 June 2014 there will be an open day for the residents of Wootton Bridge.
RESOLVED – COUNCILOR HAILSTONE TO ADVISE THE EXACT DATE

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

14/094. Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Edward Giles

2. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 18 March 2014

14/095. Minutes of the Meeting held on 18 March 2014.

RESOLVED – THAT THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 18 March 2014 BE APPROVED AS A CORRECT RECORD AND SIGNED BY THE CHAIRMAN.

3. REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION OF A DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST

14/096. No requests for dispensation of a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest had been received.

4. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY AND NON PECUNIARY INTERESTS.

14/097. Councillor Steve Porter declared a non-pecuniary interest in the planning application for Mawneys as he knows the family and lives opposite the property. Councillor Hailstone declared an interest in matters relating to Woodside as he is a member of the Woodside Residents Association.

5. NEW CLERK AND RESPONSIBLE FINANCIAL OFFICER

14/098. Ken introduced Liz the new Parish Clerk and RFO

6. MATTERS ARISING.

Progress reports only.

14/099. Beach Access - Woodside

David Everest from Darwins has instructed their contractors to remove steel/concrete from the beach at Woodside.

14/100. Floodlights on the Recreation Ground (14/046)

Councillor Pitcher stated that there would be a meeting at county hall on the 29 April 2014. He would inform the office of the starting time.

14/101. Slipway Repairs (Minute 13/059)

Tricia Still from Isle of Wight Council will be confirming start dates soon.

14/102. 20 MPH Speed Limit/Sustainability Forum

Tony Toynton has emailed explaining that nothing is going to be done yet as the new PFI Contract will bring a lot of roads up to a higher standard. Until this is done it is a waste of tax payer's money to put down new lines and signs unless absolutely necessary. Liz clarified that it is mainly the roads off the high street, especially Brannon Way, Mary Rose and Fernside as commuters use it as a 'rat run'. Tony has stated that a traffic count would be needed and that this is unlikely to happen until the end of the year, as the equipment is being upgraded. He has suggested a meeting after the summer to see what, if anything, can be done.

RESOLVED – LIZ WOULD CONTACT TO ARRANGE A DATE IN SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2014

14/103. Grass Cutting Contract (14/093)

Groundsells have confirmed the parish grass cutting and that the quote will stand for year 2 and 3. Liz received correspondence from Brightstone Landscaping limited about quoting for work, so she will hold this until next year to be able to obtain quotes.

14/104. Discretionary Services Meeting (14/085)

Have emailed Alex Minns on 9 April 2014 to ask for update on providing detailed figures with regards to the recreation ground and the slip way.

7. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

To comment on the following applications:-

14/105. P/00322/14 TCP/11314/C

90 Station Road, Wootton Bridge

Proposed extension at first floor level on side elevation to form 2 bedrooms

RESOLVED – THAT THE PARISH COUNCIL HAD NO OBJECTIONS TO APPLICATION P/00322/14, PROVIDED THAT THERE ARE NO DISPUTES WITH NEIGHBOURING PROPERTIES

14/106. P/00270/14 TCP/31798

Site access road to Woodside Beach Holiday Park and a section of Lower Woodside Road, Wootton Bridge

Installation of new road surface

RESOLVED – THAT THE PARISH COUNCIL HAD NO OBJECTIONS TO APPLICATION P/00270/14, PROVIDED THAT THERE ARE NO DISPUTES WITH NEIGHBOURING PROPERTIES

14/107. P/00339/14 TCP/31815

17 Footways, Wootton Bridge

Demolition of garage; proposed replacement garage

RESOLVED – THAT THE PARISH COUNCIL HAD NO OBJECTIONS TO APPLICATION P/00339/14, PROVIDED THAT THERE ARE NO DISPUTES WITH NEIGHBOURING PROPERTIES

14/108. P/00172/14 TCP/28703/D

Mawneys, New Road, Wootton Bridge

Proposed alterations to provide additional living accommodation within roof space

RESOLVED – THAT THE PARISH COUNCIL HAD NO OBJECTIONS TO APPLICATION P/00172/14, PROVIDED THAT THERE ARE NO DISPUTES WITH NEIGHBOURING PROPERTIES

14/109. P/00335/14 TCP/11993/L

7A High Street, Wootton Bridge

Proposed detached garage

RESOLVED – THAT THE PARISH COUNCIL HAD NO OBJECTIONS TO APPLICATION P/00335/14, PROVIDED THAT THERE ARE NO DISPUTES WITH NEIGHBOURING PROPERTIES

14/110. Decisions.

P/00107/14 – Approved (85 Church Street)

14/111. Tree Preservation Orders

TPO/2006/17/TW/81/14 – Little Canada

14/. Appeal

No Appeals had been received

8. MONTHLY REPORT OF ISLE OF WIGHT COUNCIL ISSUES AFFECTING THE VILLAGE

14/112. Report by local member.

Councilor Pitcher provided a written report for the meeting. Issues raised included

Brocks Copse Development

The Planning department has been dealing with the development at the top of Brocks Copse Road. Agreement has been reached and the developers are going back to the original plan which they have permission for. They will make another application for some changes they wish to make. In addition they are in the process of agreeing all outstanding points not covered by the planning application such as drainage and landscaping.

New Road

A successful meeting was held at County Hall on March 25th with Island Roads, Darwins, Residents, Parish Councilors, and myself all in attendance. Several things were brought forward, the key two being the possibility of creating a second 'minor' access road via Palmers Road and the co-ordination of Island Roads and Darwins projects for the improvement of New Road/Woodside Road. Closer inspection of their programs highlighted the fact that Island Roads were planning on resurfacing New Road at the same time Darwins were attempting to get construction traffic, including large low-loaders with the chalets on, down the road.

9. HIGHWAY MATTERS

To discuss any outstanding Highway issues.

14/113. New Road

Councilor Hailstone reported holes in New Road and that Island Roads are quick to fill them in if they have been reported. It was stressed that anyone can report holes either via the internet, phone or in writing. Island Roads will fill holes even if they are due to resurface the road.

10. OLD SCHOOL

14/114. Councilor Carey gave a verbal report that included the following:

- Blue Sky Arts have use of the building from 9am to 5pm, Monday to Friday. They cater for adults and children with learning difficulties. They have recently painted the inside of the building and had an article and pictures in the County Press. They are planning an open day on Saturday 26 April.
- Senior Youth Club is run by the Isle of Wight Council and normally caters to for 8 to 12 children. However they have recently reduced the days from 4 per month to 2 per month. This is due to redundancy and restructuring.
- Junior Youth Club is run by PGL and caters for 15 to 25 children. It is run every week

11. NEW ROAD

14/115. An update on the meeting of the 25 March 2014 to discuss the New Road.

Please see Report by local member. It was suggested that PGL and BIFFA should have a letter to remind them about the speed limit at the end of New Road.

RESOLVED – THAT COUNCILLOR CAREY WOULD SPEAK TO PGL AND LIZ KINGSTON WOULD EMAIL BIFFA

12. DOCTORS SURGERY PARKING

14/116. A discussion was had about disabled parking at the new doctors surgery. It was suggested that disabled bays be put on the road; however Councilor Pitcher explained that the residents in Homebray House use the road to park and that they are not all disabled, therefore they would lose valuable long term parking. Councilor Porter suggested changing two of the parking bays in the Brannon Way car park to disabled, which would mean there would be four disabled bays available. RESOLVED – THAT LIZ WOULD CONTACT ISLAND ROAD/ISLE OF WIGHT COUNCIL TO SEE ABOUT ARRANGING THIS. THE SITUATION WOULD THEN BE MONITORED ONCE THE SURGERY WAS OPENED

13. IWALC

14/117. To appointment a new IWALC representative

All councilors agreed to ask Councilor Giles if he would be interested in the position
RESOLVED - FOR CHAIRMAN TO EMAIL COUNCILLOR GILES

14. COMMITTEES AND MEETINGS.

To report on the following meetings:-

14/118. IWALC Executive.

Due to Councillor Doran resigning, there is no report at present as we have no representative.

14/119. Other Meetings

Councillor Abraham stated he had been to the River Workshop meeting and they were would like to turn the Mill Pond back to being a tidal estuary; this was to enable fish and eels to navigate up the stream. He said he would pass on the paperwork.

15. THE OFFICE

14/120. To review the opening hours of the office so that it is more accessible to the whole of the community.

It was suggested by Liz Kingston that the office is not accessible to everyone in the community and that the Council should look at either a late night opening or a Saturday. Councillor Porter suggested the Councillors could have an open surgery on a Saturday morning as they would only do 1 in 9/10.

RESOLVED – THAT LIZ WOULD LOOK AT THIS AND PUT A PROPOSAL TOGETHER FOR APPROVAL BY THE COUNCIL

16. CORRESPONDENCE.

For information only.

14/121. Palmers Farm Wind Turbine

Proposal from of a single wind turbine to be installed at Palmers Farm. Hub height of 24.6m and overall height including blade 34.2m. Feedback required by 30 April, before going in for full planning application.

RESOLVED – NO COMMENTS WOULD BE MADE UNTIL THE PLANNING APPLICATION BECAME AVAILABLE

14/122. Barrier Chain

St Helens has some barrier chain available if we need any to go between posts.

RESOLVED – COUNILLOR CORINNE ASKED FOR THE BARRIER CHAIN. LIZ TO EMAIL TO FIND OUT FURTHER DETAILS

14/123. Party In The Park

Andy has asked if there is up to £200 available to fund a PA system for the event.

RESOLVED – LIZ TO SEE IF SHE CAN ACQUIRE ONE, IF NOT, THEN DISPENSATION FOR CHAIRMAN AND LIZ TO MAKE THE DECISION

14/124. Wootton Primary School Correspondence

A notification from the head teacher, Peta Mather, was received and read out by Liz. Issues highlighted were:

- The school has suffered with vandalism and eggs being thrown at windows and the neighboring bungalow. This has been reported to the police. The school has contacted Nathan Thomas at Medina College as they believe some of the culprits attend there.
- During the craft fare on the 23 March 2014 a cannabis grinder was found on the playground. This was reported to the police who came to collect it. No other drug related items have been found.
- The school is concerned that the area could potentially become unsafe for young families and children to play during out of hours.
- The school does not currently have CCTV and they have to rely on the goodwill of anyone with knowledge informing them of any incidents.

17. ACCOUNTS.

14/125. To consider and approve the accounts for payment.

Members were presented with the accounts for payment for April 2014.

RESOLVED – THAT THE ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT IN APRIL, TOTALLING £5,144.58, A COPY OF WHICH FORMS APPENDIX A OF THESE MINUTES, BE PAID.

18. TO RECEIVE ANY ITEMS FOR INCLUSION ON THE NEXT AGENDA.

14/126. Items to be included on the next Agenda.

- Party In the Park – a stand for Wootton Bridge Parish Council

There being no further business to discuss the meeting closed at 8.15 p.m.

Signed

Date