

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WOOTTON BRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 15 JULY 2014 AT 7.00 PM IN THE OLD SCHOOL, NEW ROAD, WOOTTON BRIDGE.

Present: Councilor Ken Morris – Chairman
Councilor Barry Abraham – Vice-Chairman
Councilors Corinne Carey, Barrie Hailstone, Pete Mundell, Edward Giles, Linda Pitcher

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

Items raised in the Open Forum:

- **Gill Salter meeting with Darren Cox**

Gill had a meeting with Darren Cox about the Woodside development. There was discussion about petrol and oil interceptors being placed at the edge/end of the road to prevent pollution running down to the beach. The meeting went well and Gill will be having monthly reports to keep up to date.

- **Notice Board and Seats at Pump Lane**

Councillor Mundell asked what was happening with the erecting of the sign that we have held for 9 months plus and the maintenance of the seats at pump lane.

RESOLVED – THAT THE CLERK WOULD WRITE TO PHIL COWARD AND ASK HIM IF HE WAS GOING TO BE QUOTING FOR AND DOING THESE WORKS.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

14/207. Apologies for absence were received from Daryll Pitcher, Brian Ballard and Steve Porter

2. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 17 JUNE 2014

14/208. Minutes of the Meeting held on 17 June 2014

RESOLVED – THAT THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 17 JUNE 2014 BE APPROVED AS A CORRECT RECORD AND SIGNED BY THE CHAIRMAN.

3. REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION OF A DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST

14/209. No requests for dispensation of a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest had been received.

4. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY AND NON PECUNIARY INTERESTS.

14/210. Councilor Corinne Carey declared a non-pecuniary interest in the planning application for Lower Westside as she knows the family.

5. MATTERS ARISING.

Progress reports only.

14/211. Doctors Surgery Parking (14/116)

Still waiting for an update re extra disabled bay

14/212. Waste not being collected at Lower Woodside Road (14/185)

Councilor Carey stated this was now being collected.

6. PROPOSED MARINE CONSERVATION ZONE FROM NORRIS TO RYDE

14/213. Concerns of the impact of this zone

Councilor Abraham said concerns were raised about what impact this will have on the creek and just offshore with regards to fishing. Councilor Mundell said that it would have an impact on moorings as they would have to be changed, there would be no net trawling on the inshore. There was concern that there has been no consultation. The Chairman of the Fairways Association has written to the minister. This could also impact on pleasure fishing and PGL.

RESOLVED – THAT THE PARISH CLERK WILL TRY AND FIND OUT MORE INFORMATION.

7. BRANNON WAY CAR PARK

14/214. To Look At the Future of the Brannon Way Car Park

The decision to apply car parking charges in Brannon Way Car Park was given the go ahead at the Executive Meeting; however it has been called in and has to go back to the scrutiny committee as they are unhappy about charging in the free car parks and the proposed income it will generate. Councilor Hailstone raised about taking over or buying the car park; however Councilor Giles expressed caution due to increased costs such as insurance and that charges might not be brought in. Councilor Abraham expressed concerns that if charges come in then people will park on the roads, although there are meant to be yellow lines being brought in. A member of the public stated that it was a tax on the sick, vulnerable and elderly.

RESOLVED – THAT THE PARISH COUNCIL DO A LETTER EXPRESSING AN INTEREST IN TAKING OVER THE CAR PARK AND ASKING ABOUT THE COSTS AND THAT COUNCILOR ABRAHAM TO ATTEND THE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE MEETING.

8. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

To comment on the following applications:-

14/215. P/00723/14 TCP/00193/U

Lower Westside, Brocks Copse Road, Wootton Bridge.

Alterations; extension at first floor level to convert bungalow into a house to include balcony on north elevation.

RESOLVED – THAT THE PARISH COUNCIL HAD NO OBJECTIONS TO APPLICATION P/00723/14, PROVIDED THAT THERE ARE NO DISPUTES WITH NEIGHBOURING PROPERTIES

14/216. Decisions.

P/00310/14 – Refused - Bridgemoor – detached house with parking

14/217. Tree Preservation Orders

TPO/1988/10/TW/191/14/Lett1 – Mary Rose Avenue, (Mountain Ash – trim back and remove dead wood in the crown. Oak tree root prune – refused)

TPO/1990/37/A3/TW/182/14/Lett1 – Bodwen Court, Woodside (Ash & Plane Tree to be felled to near ground level) – due to poor condition.

14/218. Appeal

No Appeals had been received

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

14/219. Report by local member.

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

- **Dr Surgery** – Pleased with the progress
- **School Transport** – this is out on consultation at present and Councilor Pitcher urges parents to take part. He suggests that the Parish Council submit that the needs of Wootton children be properly looked at.

RESOLVED – THAT THE PARISH COUNCIL WOULD WRITE A LETTER TO SUPPORT THIS.

- **Brannon Way Car Park** – see item 7
- **Community Orchard** - Councillor Hailstone suggested that we have a poster at Party In The Park on Saturday 19th asking for the community's views on an orchard in the village.

RESOLVED – THAT THE CLERK WOULD MAKE SURE A POSTER WAS DONE AND THAT RESPONSE SLIPS WERE AVAILABLE FOR THE PUBLIC TO MAKE COMMENTS.

10. HIGHWAY MATTERS

To discuss any outstanding Highway issues.

14/220. Park Road

A member of the public has stated that since Park Road has been improved there has been an increase in speeding vehicles. The police have been informed and are looking at doing a speed watch there soon.

12/221. New Road

Councilor Hailstone explained that he took part in a counting cars survey on behalf of Woodside Residents Association. This was to help provide information to dispute a survey done by Island Roads on the level of traffic.

11. VILLAGE PARTNERSHIP

14/221. To endorse the minutes of the Village Partnership meeting held on 13 May 2014.

The minutes of the meeting held on 13 May 2014 were approved and signed at the Village Partnership meeting held on 24 June 2014. These need to be endorsed by the Parish Council.

RESOLVED – THAT THE MINUTES OF THE VILLAGE PARTNERSHIP MEETING HELD ON 13 MAY 2014 WERE ENDORSED BY THE PARISH COUNCIL.

14/222. To report on the meeting of the Village Partnership meeting held on 24 June 2014.

Arrangements for Party in the Park had been discussed, following two social committee meetings held. Both afternoon and evening events were well in hand. Liz asked for public liability certificates from the stall holders. Collection buckets are being supplied by Councilor Carey. The big tidy up was not organized well and Ken sent a letter of apology to the scouts for the lack of Parish support.

12. COMMITTEES AND MEETINGS.

To report on the following meetings:-

14/223. IWALC Executive.

Councilor Abraham has taken over, but has yet to attend a meeting. The meetings are held on the third Thursday in the month.

13. CORRESPONDENCE.

For information only.

14/224. Wootton Bridge Primary School

Megan McCormick has telephoned and stated that they have a group of children who would like to give back to the community. Councilor Carey is liaising with her and will report back at next meeting.

14/225. Best Kept Village Awards

We got through to the 2nd round and an invite to the final. There were a few comments about the state of the public toilets, litter in Mary Rose Play Area and Brannon Way Car Park.

RESOLVED – THAT THE PARISH CLERK WILL MENTION THE TOILET ISSUES WITH TOP MOPS.

14/226. Code of conduct

There is a new Code of Conduct, which was sent to the councilors prior to the meeting.

RESOLVED – THAT THE PARISH COUNCIL ADOPT THE NEW CODE OF CONDUCT.

14/227. Brannon Tea Room

Rachel has request if the Parish Council would get into discussions with her about altering the planning restrictions on unit 4 in order to diversify the business and improve the long term viability. Councilor Morris and Abraham requested that she put her proposals in writing as we are a public body and need to be seen to be above board. Councilor Hailstone did not see any issues with any informal discussion and then to follow this up in writing.

RESOLVED – THAT THE CLERK WRITE A LETTER STATING THE PARISH COUNCIL WOULD LIKE TO ENTER IN TO DISUCSSION; HOWEVER COULD SHE PUT IN WRITING AN OVERVIEW OF WHAT SHE WOULD LIKE TO DO.

14. ACCOUNTS.

14/228. To consider and approve the accounts for payment.

Members were presented with the accounts for payment

RESOLVED – THAT THE ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT TOTALLING £3693.83, A COPY OF WHICH FORMS APPENDIX C OF THESE MINUTES, BE PAID.

14/229. To receive a report on the External Audit held on 30 June 2014.

The external auditor carried out a thorough check on the accounts and found a minor point with regards to the precept including a grant amount.

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

14/230. Items to be included on the next Agenda.

- Correspondence and email traffic

IN VIEW OF THE CONFIDENTIAL NATURE OF THE BUSINESS TO BE DISCUSSED IT IS ADVISABLE IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST THAT THE PUBLIC AND PRESS BE TEMPORARILY EXCLUDED FOR THE FOLLOWING ITEMS AND THEY ARE INSTRUCTED TO WITHDRAW – IN ACCORDANCE WITH PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960 s1(2) AND STANDING ORDER NO. 57

16. STAFF MATTERS

14/231. To discuss staff contractual issues.

The Parish Council considered staff contractual issues.

There being no further business to discuss the meeting closed at 8.01 p.m.

Signed

Date