

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WOOTTON BRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 16 SEPTEMBER 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, Pete Mundell, Edward Giles, Linda Pitcher, Daryll Pitcher, Barrie Hailstone and Steve Porter

Also present 0 Members of the Public  
0 Member of the press  
Liz Kingston - Parish Clerk

**Items raised in the Open Forum:**

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

**14/278. No apologies received.**

2. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 16 SEPTEMBER 2014 & 30 SEPTEMBER 2014

**14/279. Minutes of the Meeting held on 16 September 2014 and 30 September 2014**  
RESOLVED – THAT THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 16 SEPTEMBER 2014 & 30 SEPTEMBER 2014 BE APPROVED AS A CORRECT RECORD AND SIGNED BY THE CHAIRMAN.

3. REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION OF A DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST

**14/280.** No requests for dispensation of a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest had been received.

4. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY AND NON PECUNIARY INTERESTS.

**14/281.** No declarations of pecuniary or non pecuniary interests were received.

5. MATTERS ARISING.

Progress reports only.

**14/282. DISABLED BAYS IN BRANNON WAY CAR PARK (14/116)**

Councillor Hailstone said he had spoken to Dr Kiaser and he was wondering if the Parish Council can apply pressure to Island Roads. I explained that I have email Tony Toynton (PFI liaison with Island Roads), about the disabled bays and if they can be moved or we can have extra bays. He has forward this to colleagues in parking and Island Roads and will keep me posted.

**14/283. TEMPORARY ACCESS ROAD/TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT PLAN (14/248)**

I have emailed Tony Toynton with regards to another access road and the traffic management plan. He has forwarded the message to Island Roads requesting they report back to the Parish Council. David Everest has also been in touch and stated that Darwins want to involve the Parish Council although they haven't gone too far with it until they receive planning consent.

**14/284. 20 MPH ZONES (14/192)**

Tony Toynton stated that the Parish Council would have to email Island Roads with the roads for consideration. He also stated that Island Roads can look at and cost for speed bumps etc.

6. TO DISCUSS CONTRIBUTION TO RECREATION GROUND, BEACH CLEANING AND ENVIRONMENTAL OFFICERS

**14/285. Devolution of Services**

The council has asked that a form be filled in and returned to them by the end of October. The form asks if the Parish Council would consider contributing to maintaining the recreation ground, the Island beaches and the Environmental Officers.

Alex Minns has come back to me about the income generated by the recreation ground, which for last year was £1912. This means the shortfall is actually £7371 (£9283 - £1912). A walk round the recreation was done with Nigel Leppard and he was informed about the lack of path upkeep, brambles in the bushes and general lack of maintenance. He explained that it was due to lack of money and the changes to laws relating to nesting birds. He informed me that the Council is currently negotiating with the Rugby club on how much they are going to be paying towards the grass cutting, and he stated that they are looking at approximately £860.00. He could not confirm if this would be on top of the income generated last year.

There followed a discussion about the rugby club's lease and how much they will be paying for grass cutting and how much they pay for the lease. The costs if the Parish Council took on the ground maintenance of the recreation ground.

There was a discussion about beach cleaning with Councillor Abraham and Councillor Porter feeling the Parish should contribute as tourism accounts for 26% of the Island economy. Councillor Giles felt that the Parish Council should not contribute and that the Isle of Wight Council should cover the costs. Councillor Mundell was concerned that the slipway was not cleaned and should the Parish stipulate that some of the money went towards that. It was highlighted that the Isle of Wight Council had a statutory duty to clean the beaches but would not be able to cover the extras such as raking the beaches. There was a vote on whether the Parish Council would contribute and it was 8 to 1 that the Parish Council would be willing

There was a discussion about the environmental officer services and Councillor D Pitcher felt that some items that had been deleted the Isle of Wight Council had a legal requirement to keep doing such as checking documentation on waste disposal. He felt that they didn't do much in the way of dog fouling and that the Parish Council currently looks after the public toilets.

**RESOLVED – THAT THE PARISH COUNCIL WOULD BE WILLING TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE GROUNDS MAINTENANCE BUT WOULD NOT SET A PERCENTAGE UNTIL THEY KNEW THE FIGURES OF THE NEW CONTRACT. THAT THE PARISH COUNCIL WOULD BE WILLING TO CONSIDER A CONTRIBUTION TO THE BEACH CLEANING PROVIDING ALL OTHER COUNCILS AGREED. THAT THE PARISH COUNCIL WOULD NOT CONTRIBUTE TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL OFFICERS.**

7. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

**To comment on the following applications:-**

**14/286.** None

**Urgent planning matters: Any other planning applications received after the agenda was published.**

**14/287.** None

**14/288. Decisions.**

P/00911/14 – Approved – Land adjacent to 2A Brooks Copse Road – conversion of garage to provide en-suite bedroom

P/00874/14 – Approved – 84 Church Road – proposed single storey extension

P/00930/14 – Approved – Brook, Creek Gardens – Variation to condition with regards holiday use

P/01050/14 – Approved – 8 Park View – single storey extension

#### **14/289. Tree Preservation Orders**

TPO/1980/9/W1/TW/340/14/Lett1 – Quarrels Copse, (T1 Ash – to fell the two surviving trunks from the damaged tree and leave the stump safe) – to remove a dangerous tree

TPO/1991/25/A1/TW/392/14/Lett1 – 46 St Edmunds Walk (Ash x 8 to fell to establish as coppice stools) – to enable better management of unmanaged woodland

TPO/1995/15/TW/393/14/Lett1 – Cranbrook, 104 High Street, (T12 Sycamore – to pollard to previous pollard points & T11 Sycamore – to crown clean Ash) – enable good management

TPO/2006/19/TW/404/14/Lett2 – Land rear of Bramley, Firestone Copse Road, (T1 Birch – to cut back the tree by 20 meters all round – REFUSED) – agreement on crown reduction of 2 meters

TPO/1994/18/W1/TW/374/14/Lett1 – Woodland rear of 12 Fernside Way, (T1 London Plane – to be felled near ground level – REFUSED) – allowed to decrease overhang and leave a 2 metre overhang to the crown and a natural form and crown clean the tree.

#### **14/290. Appeal**

None

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

#### **14/291. Report by local member.**

Councillor Pitcher provided a written report for the meeting, (appendix B). Issues raised included:

- Roads – meeting Jonathan Bacon with regards to issues in Park Road
- Darwins – planning consent has been given. Planning committee did share some of the concerns with regards to access. There is in the planning application a small section that states Darwins will contribute £15,000.00 to improve cycle ways. Councillor D Pitcher stated that the council officers, with input from himself, would be writing the 106 agreement and he would be asking for the monies to go towards the 20mph speed restrictions instead. The Parish Clerk asked about speed bumps down St Edmunds Walk and Mary Rose Avenue. She also mentioned that Island Roads would possible look at the costings for these schemes for free.
- Notice Board

### 9. HIGHWAY MATTERS

To discuss any outstanding Highway issues.

#### **14/292. Any other Highway Issues**

None

### 10. WOOTTON BRIDGE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Update

#### **14/293. Update**

Councillor Carey has been liaising with the school and they are very keen to work with the Parish Council. The school contact the Parish Council originally as they have about 12 children that want to do something in the community and litter picking was suggested. Councillor Carey would like to have monies available to buy high visibility jackets and pickers. She also wanted the Parish Council to run a lantern making event for the school children and other children in the village, so they could be involved in the Christmas festival. She explained that the sessions would cost £110.00 and the lanterns £30.00. Council Porter stated that he has a large amount of reflective jackets that could be used. Councillor Carey also stated that she is running a design a card competition for the children at scouts and the school. The designs will then be displayed on the 12 December

2014 and winners for each year group would be picked and there would be Haribos for everyone that took part.

**RESOLVED – THAT THE PARISH COUNCIL WAS HAPPY TO CONTRIBUTE THE FULL £140.00 FOR THE LANTERNS AND £72.00 FOR THE PICKERS.**

11. COMMITTEES AND MEETINGS.

To report on the following meetings:-

**14/294. IWALC Executive.**

Councillor Abraham has unable to attend the meeting as he doesn't seem to be receiving emails about them.

**RESOLVED – THE PARISH CLERK WILL CONTACT IWALC AND MAKE SURE EMAILS GO OUT.**

**14/294. Brannon Tea Room**

Councillor Carey stated that Rachel will be finishing on Saturday 25 October and that the tea room would be reopening on the 10 November. Karen Porter will be managing the tea room as a contractor with help from approximately 6 volunteers. The second week of closure the lady is coming in to do the food hygiene certificates if anyone wants to come in for the training.

**14/295. Youth Club**

Councillor Porter explained that Wootton Bridge Sports & Fitness Association have taken on 2 ex Isle of Wight Council youth workers who will run a senior youth club on the Tuesday evening and a youth café at the tea room on a Friday night. The senior youth club will hopefully start on the 4 November 2014. Councillor Carey thanked Councillor Mundell for his help with building maintenance of the Old School and Councillor Giles for his help in arranging the agreements with Wight Bluesky Arts.

12. CORRESPONDENCE.

For information only.

**14/296. Community Christmas Tree Festival**

The Parish Council has been invited to participate in the Christmas tree festival.

**RESOLVED – THAT THE PARISH COUNCIL WOULD PARTICIPATE**

13. ACCOUNTS.

**14/297. To consider and approve the accounts for payment.**

Members were presented with the accounts for payment

**RESOLVED – THAT THE ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT TOTALLING £5024.03, A COPY OF WHICH FORMS APPENDIX C OF THESE MINUTES, BE PAID.**

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

**14/298. Items to be included on the next Agenda.**

- Orchard

There being no further business to discuss the meeting closed at 8.25 p.m.

Signed .....

Date .....