

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WOOTTON BRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 15 SEPTEMBER 2015 AT 7.00 PM IN THE OLD SCHOOL, NEW ROAD, WOOTTON BRIDGE.

Present: Councillor Ken Morris – Chairman  
Councillors Barrie Hailstone, Pete Mundell, Daryll Pitcher, Barry Abraham, Linda Pitcher, Corinne Carey, Edward Giles and Carole Wolton

Also present 11 Members of the Public  
0 Member of the press  
Liz Kingston - Parish Clerk

**Items raised in the Open Forum:**

None raised

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

**15/168.** Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Steve Porter who is away on holiday.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

**15/169. None**

3. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 21 JULY 2015

**15/170. Minutes of the Meeting held on 21 July 2015**

RESOLVED – THAT THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 21 JULY 2015 BE APPROVED AS A CORRECT RECORD AND SIGNED BY THE CHAIRMAN.

4. TO RECEIVE CORRESPONDENCE AND CLERKS REPORT AND TO AGREE ANY ACTION TO BE TAKEN.

**15/171. Recreation Ground**

There was a meeting with Lee Matthews and Nigel Leppard on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup>. They are going to let me know the full costs of maintaining the recreation ground as well as costs to get the site to a maintainable level. They are going to advise the amount of income that is generated by the recreation ground. They are still looking for a contribution towards the maintenance. Once the clerk has received these figures it will then be put to the parish council to consider.

**15/172. Brannon Way Car Park**

Raised concerns about lack of signage and how to obtain a free ticket. Mark Downer stated that the car park had raised £400 in August, approximately £100 per week.

**15/173. Parish Office**

The windows are in need of maintenance and the side door needs to be replaced. The clerk has obtained 3 quotes which range from £3090.25 to £4831.00, depending on whether we have brick or panel bottoms. This is for full replacement of all except the front door. All Councillors have seen the quotes and that they are a like for like basis. Councillor Hailstone raised that we lease the building and therefore the owners should be responsible for the security and physical structure of the building. The clerk explained it is our obligation to maintain the windows of the building but not the brick. Councillor Hailstone felt there should be more time to consider this and to see what is required. Councillor Giles supported Councillor Hailstone and stated that the councillors should have a look at the condition of the windows and door.

RESOLVED – TO DEFER THE MATTER TO THE NEXT MEETING

### **15/174. Insurance**

3 year deal with Zurich. Last year we paid £1059.08 and this year the premium is £1071.43. The contents and building insurance has been uplifted by 3%.

### **15/175. Party in the Park**

We raised a total of £1012.21, which will be rounded up to £1025.00 for The Brain Tumour Charity. The Clerk will be organising a cheque presentation and inviting the County Press along as well. Currently costs amount to £1280.06, although the clerk is awaiting a couple of bills to still come in. The costs are currently within the budget set aside for the event.

## 5. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

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

#### **15/176. P/00982/15 A/2654**

Woodside Bay Holiday Village, New Road, Wootton Bridge.

3 x non-illuminated timber signs

RESOLVED – THAT THE PARISH COUNCIL HAD NO OBJECTIONS TO APPLICATION P/00982/15, PROVIDED THAT THERE ARE NO DISPUTES WITH NEIGHBOURING PROPERTIES

#### **15/177. P/01023/15 TCP/12917/U**

Wootton Bridge Recreation Ground, Footways, Wootton Bridge.

Alterations and extension to club house to provide additional dressing room facilities; new access ramp and footpath.

Sue Pyner asked about a caveat being added with regard to the footpath not being used for vehicles. She was concerned about rubbish being dumped behind the building and congestion in the car park which could increase.

RESOLVED – THAT THE PARISH COUNCIL HAD NO OBJECTIONS TO APPLICATION P/01023/15.

#### **15/178. P/00689/15 TCP/07552/Z**

Minghellas Ltd, High Street, Wootton Bridge

Partial demolition of industrial unit; proposed residential development of pairs of semi-detached houses with parking; change of use of remaining industrial unit to a mixed use B1, B8 and A2 (revised plans) (readvertised application)

RESOLVED – THAT THE PARISH COUNCIL OBJECTS TO APPLICATION P/00689/15, ON THE FOLLOWING GROUNDS:

- LOSS OF EMPLOYMENT LAND
- TRAFFIC CONTROL/FLOW AT THE ENTRANCE
- POTENTIAL FLOODING TO RED ROAD PROPERTIES
- GROUND POLLUTION FROM PREVIOUS GARAGE

#### **15/179. Decisions made by the Isle of Wight Council**

P/00817/15 – Refused – 28 and 30 Station Road, Wootton Bridge

P/00735/15 – Approved – Clover Ley, Park Road, Wootton Bridge

#### **15/180. Tree Preservation Orders**

None

#### **15/181. Appeal**

None

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

#### **15/182. Report by local member.**

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

- Yellow Lines

- Bestival noise
- Isle of Wight Council Budget
- Community Bus

7. HIGHWAY MATTERS

To discuss any outstanding Highway issues.

**15/183. Any other Highway Issues**

Councillor Abraham asked about an update on the bridge and Councillor Daryll Pitcher stated that he thinks Island Roads are looking at strengthening the existing bridge.

Councillor Mundell expressed concern on the state of the road repairs, especially along New Road, as they were only filled in about a week ago and they are already coming out. The Clerk is going to speak to the area officer and Councillor Daryll Pitcher will look into it as well.

Councillor Hailstone stated that speeding along New Road is becoming abhorrent and something needs to be done.

8. MATTERS RAISED BY COUNCILLORS

**15/184.** Councillor Carey asked that Wootton Bridge Community Interest Company be added to the next meeting's agenda, as they are putting in a proposal to start a community bus service in Wootton.

**15/185.** Councillor Carey asked about the Parish Council obtaining the recreation ground by way of a Community Asset Transfer. The Clerk explained that this could be discussed at another meeting once the Isle of Wight Council had divulged figures for the maintenance and what the maintenance covered.

**15/186.** Councillor Carey asked if the Village Partnership/Events could be added to the agenda for the next meeting.

9. IWALC REPORT

**15/187.**

Councillor Abraham couldn't attend the last meeting and has a meeting coming up on Thursday.

10. ACCOUNTS.

**15/188. To consider and approve the accounts for payment.**

Members were presented with the accounts for payment for August (which have been paid) and the accounts for payment for September

**RESOLVED – THAT THE ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT FOR AUGUST TOTALLING £4633.20 AND SEPTEMBER TOTALLING £5423.52, A COPY OF WHICH FORMS APPENDIX C OF THESE MINUTES, BE PAID.**

There being no further business to discuss the meeting closed at 8.26 p.m.

Signed .....

Date .....