

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WOOTTON BRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 17 NOVEMBER 2015 AT 7.00 PM IN THE OLD SCHOOL, NEW ROAD, WOOTTON BRIDGE.

Present: Councillor Ken Morris – Chairman
Councillor Steve Porter – Vice Chairman
Councillors Barrie Hailstone, Pete Mundell, Daryll Pitcher, Barry Abraham, Linda Pitcher and Carole Wolton

Also present 5 Members of the Public
1 Member of the press
Liz Kingston - Parish Clerk

Items raised in the Open Forum:

A member of the public raised problems with vandalism along New Road.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

15/213. Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Carey and Councillor Giles

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

15/214. Councillors Porter stated he is a director of Wootton Bridge Community Interest Company.

3. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 20 OCTOBER 2015

15/215. Minutes of the Meeting held on 20 October 2015

RESOLVED – THAT THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 20 OCTOBER 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.

15/216. Parish Council Precept 2016/17

Pre-budget discussion in advance of setting the council tax precept. To receive any suggestions for expenditure to be included in next year's budget.

With regards to the Localisation of Council Tax Support Scheme, the Local Authority are trying not to pay this and Councillor Porter & Hailstone attend a meeting with regards to this and a further meeting is scheduled for 7th December at 5.30pm.

15/217. Brannon Way Car Park

Mark Downer stated that local authority is arranging for a new sign for the car park which states about no charge for parking up to 1 hour.

15/218. New Road & Woodside Development

The clerk has received a few complaints about the speed, state of the road and congestion along New Road. The clerk has emailed the District Steward, who in turn has passed the email to Ian Middleton, the road safety engineer at Island Roads and the clerk is awaiting a response. The clerk has emailed David Everest with regards to the issues and has asked him to see if he can deal with these as well as asking him about Darwin contributing to a speed reactive sign. The clerk is awaiting his response.

15/219. Christmas Tree

The clerk has received a quote for this years Christmas Tree Installation, which is £660.00 including VAT, this includes the collection, installation, disposal and hire of the lights. This is the same cost as last year. The cost of the tree will be £145 (£135 last year)
RESOLVED – THAT THE PARISH COUNCIL ACCEPT THE QUOTATION OF £660.00 FOR THE CHRISTMAS TREE.

5. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

To comment on the following applications:-

15/220. None

15/221. Decisions made by the Isle of Wight Council

P/01082/15 – Approved– 16 Rectory Drive, Wootton Bridge

15/222. Tree Preservation Orders

TPO/1990/32/TW/404/15/Lett1 – Oaklands, New Road, Wootton Bridge

Consent Given to:

- T1 Oak – to crown raise 5 metres above ground level
- T2 Oak – to pollard

Reason – good arboricultural practice

15/223. Appeal

APP/P2114/W/15/3087228 – Dismissed - Lower Woodside Road, Wotton Bridge

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

15/224. Report by local member.

Councillor D Pitcher provided a verbal report for the meeting. Issues raised included:

- Darwin – their appeal has been dismissed
- Amey – few issues raised with lack of communication
- Woodside Copse – trees being chopped down
- Wootton Bridge Primary School – fencing to make the site secure
- BT Box at the corner of Palmers Road and Lushington Hill – obscuring view of cars coming out of Palmers Road
- Chief Executive of the Isle of Wight Council – to be appointed soon

7. HIGHWAY MATTERS

To discuss any outstanding Highway issues.

15/225. Any other Highway Issues

Councillor D Pitcher mentioned the following:

- Seat next to Spar Shop – not secured down
- Yellow Lines – chasing to find out when they will be implemented
- Wootton Bridge repairs – these have started until February 2016
- Accident at the zebra crossing near Harwoods
- New Road – Problems with speed and attending meeting on Thursday 19th November

8. MATTERS RAISED BY COUNCILLORS

15/226.

Councillor Porter thanked the Parish Council for their support for the Youth Club and Community Bus. Councillor Mundel enquired about the Wootton Bridge CIC organising Party in the Park. Councillor Hailstone mentioned about The Bridge not having accurate information.

9. IWALC REPORT

15/227.

Councillor Wolton will be attending the next meeting in November.

10. ACCOUNTS.

15/228. To consider and approve the accounts for payment.

Members were presented with the accounts for payment for October

RESOLVED – THAT THE ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT FOR OCTOBER TOTALLING
£9332.52, A COPY OF WHICH FORMS APPENDIX A OF THESE MINUTES, BE PAID.

There being no further business to discuss the meeting closed at 7.50 p.m.

Signed

Date