

NEWCHURCH PARISH COUNCIL

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A MEETING OF NEWCHURCH PARISH COUNCIL WAS HELD AT THE PARISH HALL, NEWCHURCH AT 7.30 PM ON MONDAY 17TH JULY 2017. PRIOR TO THE MEETING THERE HAD BEEN A SITE INSPECTION OF THE CEMETERY AND THE COMMUNITY GARDEN COMMENCING AT 7PM.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Councillors Bevan, Davison, Earley, Harris, Maclennan, Rouse and Vincent.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Mr G Hughes (Clerk), IW Councillor Clare Mosdell and two members of the public.

7.30pm to 7.45pm time allocated for residents of Newchurch Parish to speak to the Council on Parish matters.

MINUTES

96/17 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None

97/17 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Davison declared an interest in the planning application in respect of Newchurch School..

98/17 MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 19th JUNE 2017.

On the proposition of Councillor Earley, seconded by Councillor Maclennan it was -

RESOLVED: That the minutes be approved.

99/17 COOPTION OF COUNCILLOR

The Clerk reported that no nominations had been received but a letter had been received from a member of Winford Residents Association advising that they would put forward a nomination for future consideration.

100/17 TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE FINANCIAL REPORTS

On the proposition of Councillor Rouse, seconded by Councillor Earley it was –

RESOLVED: (i) To approve the accounts for June 2017.

(ii) To approve payment of cheque numbers 2449 to 2454.

101/17 IW COUNCILLORS REPORT

IW Councillor Mosdell was using the Parish Hall prior to each Parish Council meeting to conduct a local surgery, it was agreed there would be no charge for the hall.

Councillor Mosdell reported on the bus stop which was obscured from view at Alverstone Road and works being now scheduled for the layby. Proposed Resurfacing of Forest Road was unpopular but it would only take three days and not three weeks. Mrs Boswells proposal for pedestrianisation in the Shute was with Rights of Way in order to resolve any legal issues arising out of the proposal. Rights of Way would provide materials for the restoration of steps near the Community Garden plus an allocated member of staff.

She also reported on the parking problem associated with the numbers of ‘rotting’ vehicles at a property close to Apse Heath mini roundabout.

Councillor Mosdell had met with Kevin Burton of Island Roads and Wendy Perera of the IW Council and reported in detail on her intent to find a scheme to avoid heavy vehicles using the High Street and Newchurch Shute. This could involve the cutting back of growth to widen Lime Kiln and Knighton and the use of anti-slip to assist heavy vehicles. There would also be a need to address access and use by Emergency Vehicles if weight or width restrictions were to be applied.

RESOLVED: That the report be noted.

102/17 PARISH COUNCILLORS REPORTS

Councillor Rouse reported that heavy vehicles were still using Spicers Bridge. She reported that the disabled bays in the car park were being used by those with no disabled badge. It was agreed to have the disabled space marking renewed.

Councillor Harris reported on car parking outside the dairy at Queenbower and would monitor the situation.

Councillor Vincent reported on the slippery surface road conditions resulting in a caravan turning over at Knighton. IW Councillor Mosdell advised that this was caused by the materials used and the road camber.

The Clerk was to write to Island Roads to request that the super elevations on camber need changing.

Councillor Bevan asked if any response had been received from IW Council regarding reported unauthorised developments. The Clerk advised that nothing further had been received. It was reported that the caravan at Harbors Lake had been removed. Two cars and a taxi had used the car park on an overnight basis, Councillor Davison advised she had given no authorisation for such parking.

Traffic speed on Canteen Road was reported and the associated increasingly hazardous approach to the Whiteley Bank Mini Roundabout. It was agreed to write to Island Roads requesting consideration of traffic lights being installed at this location.

Councillor Bevan requested and received permission for a poster re Newchurch Male Voice Choir to be placed on the noticeboards.

Councillor Maclennan reported that he had attended a Good Councillor Training Session.

Councillor Davison asked that refurbishment of the Parish Hall form an Agenda item for the October meeting of the Parish Council. She also asked the clerk to revisit the minutes in respect of the possible acquisition of the land below the Community Garden. The IWALC AGM was to be held on 22nd June and Councillor Davison was now a member of the IW Council Scrutiny Committee. IWALC was arranging training seminars in September and details would be circulated in due course.

RESOLVED: That the reports be noted.

103/17 CLERK TO REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED PRIOR TO THE MEETING

The Clerk had circulated a list of correspondence. A letter of thanks had been received from the Church in respect of the donation to the flower festival.

RESOLVED: That the correspondence be noted and a letter be sent to the Church regarding the response that they had given to a request for information in respect of the Hobbs Family.

104/17 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following planning applications were considered –

- 1.TCP/22950/D:Popes Farm High Street Newchurch Sandown Isle Of Wight PO360NF
Householder Application Demolition of rear extensions proposed 2 storey rear extension
- 2.TCP/26344/C:former Aircraft Museum Sandown Airport Embassy Way off Newport Road
Sandown.Demolition of workshop 5 x new industrial buildings (use classes B1 and B2) alterations to existing storage and workshop buildings (AandB) alterations to access off Embassy Way parking
- 3.TCP/33097:land at Alverstone Ponds north of Spencer House off Youngwoods Way Alverstone
Garden Village Sandown.Proposed 2 units of holiday accommodation formation of vehicular access
Parking.
4. TCP/23897/F:Newchurch County Primary School High Street Newchurch. Conversion of classroom to new school entrance and staff office alterations to external elevations new fencing

RESOLVED: 1. That no objection be made to applications 1,2 and 3 above.

2. That the following comment be made on application 4 above –

- (i). To make no objection to the proposed changes to the layout of the building.
- (ii). To object to the proposed perimeter railing/fencing as being unsightly and providing no access to bins,community centre and with no emergency access

105/17 PLANNING DECISIONS

The following decisions were reported –

1. TCP/17753/D: Harbors Lake Harbors Lake Lane Newchurch.
Holiday lodge 2 no barns for storage and holiday facilities change of use of field for siting of 5 no holiday shepherds huts alterations to vehicular access onto Watery Lane and Harbors Lake Lane (revised scheme). Approved.
2. TCP/32882/A: Land to north of The Garlic Farm Mersley Lane Newchurch.
Proposed games room/amenity cabin ancillary to approved holiday yurts. Approved
3. TCP/17411/G: Knighton Gardens Knighton Shute Newchurch.
Householder Application Demolition of verandah proposed single storey extension on front/side elevations alterations to porch roof. Approved

RESOLVED: That the decisions be noted.

106/17 COMMEMORATIVE PLAQUE RE MR COLIN RICHARDS

Councillor Davison would liaise with the family re the location of the plaque and an event to mark the placement of the plaque and the painting of Mr Richards which had been produced and donated by Councillor Harris

107/17 CAR PARKING OUTSIDE OF POST OFFICE

There had been further instance of the Post Office being kept from opening. IW Councillor Mosdell would follow up with Island Roads.

108/17 PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE

Councillor Earley reported that had placed details in the Parish Magazine and the Clerk reported that he had notified the Isle of Wight Council of the new site. The Clerk advised that all messages to the old site were now being forwarded to the new site and he was in communication with web providers of the old and new websites for the transfer of other detail. There had been difficulty arising from the continued inability to get a response from the supplier of the old site..

RESOLVED: That the reports be noted and the following items actioned –

- 1 Inclusion of details for Councillor Maclellan and removal of those for the late Mr Colin Richards.
2. Follow up transfer of information to new website.
3. Update Events page and review the list of local organisations

109/17 QUEEN BOWER CAR PARK – PARKING & SIGNAGE

The Clerk reported that a replacement sign had been ordered from Signpost Express, who had asked to be supplied with a mobile phone photograph of the current sign. This had yet to be done as the Clerk had been on vacation on the mainland.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk follow up this item.

110/17 ROADWORKS AT SPICERS BRIDGE

Councillor Bevan and IW Councillor Mosdell had met with Island Roads, Norah Boswell and other local residents. All residents supported the discontinuation of the use of the bridge by heavy vehicles but Island Roads were obliged to upgrade it and this would commence in September. There will be a temporary pedestrianisation and Mrs Boswell had previously offered assistance with land provision for a permanent pedestrian bridge and link to the footpath at the cemetery.

111/17 CLOSURE OF WINFORD ROAD

The proposed timing of closure was noted and Island Roads were making a presentation in the Church Hall on Wednesday 19th July to advise and report on all local schemes.

112/17 INTRODUCTION OF 20MPH SPEED LIMITS

It was reported that IWALC were leading on an islandwide basis for the introduction of 20mph limits.

113/17 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE SITE INSPECTION OF THE COMMUNITY GARDEN AND THE CEMETERY.

The following works were required –

1. Removal of Sycamore, bamboo and bindweed in the Community Garden.
2. The need for removal and pruning of trees at the Pointers end of the Community Garden.
3. Removal of ivy and sycamore in the cemetery.
4. Fixing of loose slates on the bierhut and to examine content of the bierhut.
5. Confirm and mark the location of the time capsule.
6. Grass cuttings to be kept in containers
7. Removal of wreaths from the War Memorial.

It was agreed to express the Parish Councils thanks to Mr Eddie Read for his care of the cemetery.

115/17 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Parish Council would take place at 7.30pm on Monday 21st August 2017 in the Parish Hall.

The meeting closed at 9.29pm

CHAIRMAN

21ST AUGUST 2017