

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 16TH JULY 2018. PRIOR TO THE MEETING A SITE VISIT WAS HELD AT THE CEMETERY AND COMMUNITY GARDEN COMMENCING AT 7PM.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Councillors Bevan, Davison, Earley, Llewellyn and Maclellan.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Mr G Hughes (Clerk) and a member of the public.

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

Mr David Bucknall, a resident of Alverstone Garden Village asked if the Parish Council had any jurisdiction in highway matters and those of public rights of way. He advised of a locked gate that had been installed at a section of Youngwoods Way which prevented access of motor vehicles, he felt that this contravened legal rights applicable to his own and neighbouring property. The Chairman advised that the Parish Council had no jurisdiction but understood that IW Councillor Mosdell was enquiring as to the reason for the introduction of the gate.

MINUTES

116/18 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillors Harris, Rouse and Vincent.

117/18 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

118/18 MINUTES OF MEETINGS HELD ON 21ST MAY 2018 & 18TH JUNE 2018.

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

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held on 21st May be approved.

On the proposition of Councillor Llewellyn, seconded by Councillor Bevan, it was –

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held on 18th June be approved.

119/18 TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE FINANCIAL REPORTS

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

RESOLVED: (i) To approve the accounts for June 2018.

(ii) To approve payment of cheque numbers 2545 to 2554.

120/18 IW COUNCILLORS REPORT

Councillor Davison reported on behalf of IW Councillor who had been unable to attend due to another commitment. She reported that the Police had objected to the provision of the planned loading bay at the front of the Parish Hall, Councillor Mosdell had written to Wendy Perera concerning the situation. Cracks had appeared in the property known as Rainbow Cottage at Whiteley Bank and this and the apparent ‘depression in the road needed investigation, the property ‘juddering’ with the impact of passing traffic.

RESOLVED: That the report be noted.

121/18 PARISH COUNCILLORS REPORTS

Councillor Earley confirmed the purchase of a new noticeboard.

Councillor Llewellyn advised that the illuminated speed sign on the approach to Apse Heath was still not working and that grass at the Pavilion was so high it was obstructing the view of oncoming traffic. He also commented that the car park seemed to have been ‘taken over’ by the school and asked that correspondence

could be circulated at the time of receipt.

Councillor Bevan passed on the thanks of the Newchurch Male Voice Choir for the purchase of the new noticeboard in the Parish Hall. The Choir had purchased a portable diffribulator and it was agreed that it could be stored in the Parish Hall, the Choir to be asked to provide for its insurance. Councillor Bevan also reported the difficulty encountered in bolting the rear fire door at the Parish Hall. He also asked if two planning enquiries (previously made) could be followed up in respect of parking at Popes Farm and regarding occupancy of a building in Wacklands Lane.

Councillor Davison reported on the removal of the recycle bins from the car park, which the Parish Council had requested two years earlier. She reported that the Post Office at Arreton was for sale and this could lead to the potential loss of the Post Office facility in Newchurch Parish Hall. IWALC Annual General Meeting was to be held on Thursday and Planning Training was taking place on the 24th July. It was agreed if required to lend the projector to IWALC for the planning training event.

Arising from the site visit prior to the meeting it was agreed to contact persons with known appropriate skills to ask assistance with the restoration of the bier. The Clerk would arrange for the removal of brambles and a sycamore sapling in the Community Garden and it was agreed to write to Mr Eddie Read to thank him for the good standard of condition of both sites.

RESOLVED: That the reports be noted and agreed actions undertaken as described.

122/18 CLERKS REPORT

The Clerk reported the following information –

1. An Accident Book had been purchased and it was agreed to place the book on the counter.
2. He had advised Groundsell to clear the vegetation at the rear of the Parish Hall and Mr Read to prune vegetation to the front of the hall.
3. He was awaiting confirmation on the resiting of the storage box next door prior to the subsequent reinstatement of the gas fire.
4. He had written to Planning requesting they investigate recent building activity at Kingsmead. A response from IW Council Planning confirming that they would investigate had been circulated to all Parish Councillors.

All other items from the Action List were contained elsewhere on the Agenda.

RESOLVED: That the report be noted.

123/18 CLERK TO REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED PRIOR TO THE MEETING

All correspondence had been circulated, Councillor Llewellyn requested that correspondence be circulated on receipt.

RESOLVED: That the correspondence be noted and that future correspondence be circulated to all when received

124/18 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following applications were considered –

1. PP-07039476: Land adjacent, Hemingfold, Borthwood Lane, Borthwood.. Proposed dwelling.
2. TCP/15959/N: land at and adjacent, Devonia, Dyers Lane, Newchurch. Demolition of part of storage building; Proposed dwelling; formation of vehicular access; alterations and conversion of storage building to garage/store; detached double garage (revised scheme).
3. TCP/05456/D:21 Forest Road, Winford. Householder Application - Alterations and extension of an existing bungalow to include a rear extension, car port addition to the front elevation and external works to provide level access.

RESOLVED:

1. To object to item 1 above on the following grounds –
 - (a) The proposed site lies outside of, and is not adjacent to any defined settlement boundary.
 - (b) There is no demonstrable need for such a property in this location.
2. To object to item 2 above on the following grounds –
 - (a) It represented an overdevelopment of the site.
 - (b) There was insufficient local infrastructure to support additional residential units.

- (c) Highway safety implications arising from more vehicles entering Dyers Lane.
 - (d) The development would obstruct the current point of entry to a septic tank and the alternative entry would impact on highway safety.
- 3.To make no objection to item 3 above.

125/18 PLANNING DECISIONS

The following decisions had been received –

- 1.TCP/33475:3 Apse Manor Cottages, Apse Manor Road, Shanklin. Householder Application - Proposed two storey side extension to provide additional living accommodation. Approved
- 2.TCP/12797/E:Land to the east of Old Mill House, Lower Knighton Road, Newchurch.
To use part of the existing grazing land for the stationing of two 'glamping pods' to be used as holiday accommodation; parking and landscaping. Approved.

RESOLVED: That the decisions be noted.

126/18 IMPROVEMENTS TO PARISH HALL

It was agreed that upgrading and reconfiguration was required to both the toilets and kitchen, to include provision of microwave and new water heater for the kitchen and new fittings for the toilets. The drains would require checking and the provision of a new roof area would be investigated.

RESOLVED: This become an Agenda Item for the August meeting and that Councillor Vincent be asked to lead on this part of the renovation project.

127/18 PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE

Councillor Davison reported on progress with the project and certain legal matters that required resolution before the structure could proceed. Darrel Clarke of Public Rights of Way was assisting with the necessary legal work which included for the retention of a public right of way.

128/18 PATHWAY AT CHURCH

The pathway works had now been completed and comment was made on the high standard of works undertaken.

129/18 HIGHWAY WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS

The outcome of ongoing legal action had yet to be resolved and it was noted that the current weight restriction continued to be breached.

130/18 LANDFILL AT KNIGHTON

Councillor Bevan and the Clerk had met on site with Mr Russell Chick from the IW Council Planning Department and local resident Dr Mark Denham Johnson. Mr Chick had agreed to review past applications for this site and write to the landowners.

131/18 REVIEW OF STANDING ORDERS

The Clerk had commenced work on updating Standing Orders and would report back to the August meeting of the Parish Council.

132/18 GDPR

The Clerk had attended the seminar held at the Riverside Centre, whilst the content was interesting he felt its content was not particularly relevant to the requirements of the Parish Council. He reported that he had placed individual e mail addresses for each Parish Councillor on the website.

133/18 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting was confirmed to be Monday 20th August in the Parish Hall.

The meeting closed at 8.39pm

CHAIRMAN

20th August 2018