

# NEWCHURCH PARISH COUNCIL

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**THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF NEWCHURCH PARISH COUNCIL WAS HELD AT THE PARISH HALL, NEWCHURCH AT 7.30 PM ON MONDAY 18TH JUNE 2018.**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Councillors Bevan, Davison, Earley, Harris and Llewellyn.

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:** Mr G Hughes (Clerk), IW Councillor Mosdell 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.**

A member of the public addressed the meeting regarding a planning application he was in the process of submitting. He had been advised by the IW Council planning office to seek the Parish Councils view on his potential application. The proposed application related to the construction of a new dwelling on land adjacent to his own property and one option could be that the application could represent social housing. The Chairman advised that the Parish Council could not take an official view on the application until it was presented before them but social housing on an appropriate scale/design would be likely to have the support of the Parish Council.

The Chairman gave the Parish Councils thanks for the presentation of the proposed planning application.

## MINUTES

### **95/18 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN**

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

**RESOLVED:** That Councillor Davison be appointed Chairman for the ensuing year.

### **96/18 ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN**

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

**RESOLVED:** That Councillor Bevan be appointed Vice Chairman for the ensuing year.

### **97/18 APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES**

The following representatives were approved –

IWALC – Councillor Davison, Deputy Councillor Maclennan.

Health & Well Being Forum – Councillor Rouse, Deputy Councillor Maclennan.

NPS & CA - Councillor Earley.

Public Rights of Way – Councillor Harris

### **98/18 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Councillors Maclennan, Rouse and Vincent.

### **99/18 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Bevan declared an interest in Agenda item 108/18 in respect of any refund of hire fee to Newchurch Male Voice Choir.

### **100/18 MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 21<sup>ST</sup> MAY 2018.**

The minutes as presented required additional information at Item 79/18 regarding development at Popes Farm and revised minutes would be presented to the July meeting.

### **101/18 TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE FINANCIAL REPORTS**

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

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

(ii) To approve payment of cheque numbers 2539 to 2544.

With effect from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2018 there was a national pay award for Parish & Town Council Clerks and it was confirmed that this should be applicable to the Clerk and his salary increased in accordance with the new pay scale.

#### **102/18 IW COUNCILLORS REPORT**

Councillor Mosdell reported on high levels of sickness and absence at Island Roads which was having a knock on effect on completing programmed workloads. IW Council is taking steps to address the situation. Councillor Llewellyn asked a question regarding the current IW consultation on the possible amalgamation of the fire service and how reduced costs would lead to the suggested increase in precept.

#### **103/18 PARISH COUNCILLORS REPORTS**

Councillor Llewellyn asked if correspondence e mails could be circulated at the time of receipt, rather than as a 'batch'.

Councillor Harris reported that footpath NC12 was overgrown, containing brambles and required attention.

Councillor Bevan reported on an e mail he had received from a resident advising of a prowler, anything suspicious should be reported to PCSO Justin O'Keefe.

Councillor Davison advised of a seminar on GDPR which was taking place at 7pm on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> June at the Riverside Centre. The Clerk would attend. She also reported on continued usage of overflowing waste bins. Mr Ratcliffe had a fall at the Parish Hall and it was agreed that an accident book be put in place for the recording of future such incidents involving users of the hall.

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

#### **104/18 CLERKS REPORT**

The Clerk reported the following information –

1. He had been advised that the cost of restoring the bier may involve thousands of pounds. It was agreed to take no further action at this time.
2. The side path to the Parish Hall had been cleared by Groundsell. It was agreed to ask Mr Read to carry out works to the front of the hall and for Groundsell to now clear the vegetation at the rear of the hall. The circulated quote from Groundsell included for the front and side and would need amendment having regard to the work to be carried out.
3. The Clerk had spoken with a neighbour regarding the gas fire which had been condemned due to the location of the log store in his garden. The neighbour had agreed to relocate the log store and contact the gas contractor in order that the gas fire could be reinstated.
4. GDPR - The Clerk advised that individual e mail addresses were being set up for each Councillor and he would facilitate distribution of received items.
5. Development at Popes Farm had been reported to Planning who would determine on any non compliance with the planning application as submitted and any other planning conditions that may apply.
6. A letter had been sent to Lucy Harington regarding her request for support for yellow lines across from the Pointer.

**RESOLVED:** That the report be noted.

#### **105/18 CLERK TO REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED PRIOR TO THE MEETING**

The Clerk had circulated all e mail correspondence received, having regard to the volume of e mail it was agreed that in future they would be forwarded when received rather than 'on bloc'.

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

#### **106/18 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The following applications were considered -

- 1.TCP/26344/D: land at, Sandown Airport, Newport Road, Sandown.

- Temporary change of use of hanger 2 from aircraft hanger to aeronautical museum.
2. TCP/33505: Dalverton Garden Nursery, Newport Road, Sandown. Variation of conditions 2,3,4,5,6 and 8 on P/01220/11 to allow alterations in relation to change of design of parking and service areas.
  3. TCP/08755/B: Cornfields, Princelett Shute, Apse Heath, Sandown.  
Householder Application - Demolition of porch; proposed conservatory/porch to front elevation

**RESOLVED:** To support the three planning applications.

Concern was again expressed at a building at Kingsmead, now having dormer windows and the appearance of a residence and not a storage building. It was agreed to write to planning re a potential breach of planning consent.

#### **107/18 PLANNING DECISIONS**

The following decisions had been received -

1. Application Ref: TCP/22068/B: Borthwood Cottages, Borthwood Lane, Borthwood, Sandown. Variation of condition 2 on TCP/22068 to remove 28 day restriction period. Approved
2. TCP/22068/C: Borthwood Cottages, Borthwood Lane, Borthwood, Sandown. Variation of condition 5 on P/02012/02 to remove reference to 6 week occupation period. Approved
3. TCP/33444: 4 Hollowood Road, Alverstone Garden Village. Householder Application - Single storey link extension to form w.c and utility room. Approved
4. TCP/15749/F: 1 Mersley Farm Cottages, Mersley Lane, Newchurch. Householder Application – Proposed partial demolition of conservatory; proposed single storey extension on rear elevation to form enlarged conservatory. Approved

**RESOLVED:** That the decisions be noted.

#### **108/18 IMPROVEMENTS TO PARISH HALL**

Councillor Davison expressed her thanks to those who had assisted with the refurbishment and had placed the contents back in the hall. It was agreed to purchase a new noticeboard for the use of the users of the hall and that proportionate compensatory payments be made to users for the period that the hall had been unavailable for their use. Additional works would be carried out in accordance with minute 104/18 above and works to the kitchen and toilets would form an agenda item for the July meeting.

**RESOLVED:** To purchase a new noticeboard and make compensatory payments to users.

#### **109/18 PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE**

IW Councillor Mosdell enquired as to whether the Parish Council would pay the legal fees of up to £1,000 for the transfer of the land to the Parish Council from the Boswell family, she would liaise with the family on the transfer.

**RESOLVED:** That approval be given to the payment of legal costs associated with the land transfer.

#### **110/18 PATHWAY AT CHURCH**

It was reported that works were currently being undertaken and should be completed in the next few days. IW Councillor Mosdell suggested that the Parish Council register the land with the Land Registry and would e mail the Clerk with the necessary details.

**RESOLVED:** To proceed with registration of the land.

#### **111/18 HIGHWAY WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS**

It was understood that no further actions could be taken until the appeal by a local business had been determined. Councillor Earley reported that he had seen a number of laden vehicles heading for the Sandpit which were in breach of the weight restriction.

#### **112/18 LANDFILL AT KNIGHTON**

An E mail had been received from Russell Chick from Planning giving possible dates for a site meeting. Councillor Bevan and the Clerk would attend the site meeting and also ask Mr Denham – Johnson to accompany them.

**113/18 ISLAND ROADS PROGRAMME**

A letter had been sent to Island Roads requesting the resurfacing of the highway between Palmers Lane and School Lane.

**114/18 REVIEW OF STANDING ORDERS**

The Clerk had circulated both current Standing Orders and a version recently produced by NALC. It was agreed that the structure and format of the current Standing Orders was preferable and the Clerk would update sections of the current version in order to accommodate new aspects as contained in those supplied by NALC. Standing Orders, as amended, would then be considered at the July meeting.

**115/18 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The date of the next meeting was confirmed to be 16th July in the Parish Hall.

**The meeting closed at 8.45pm**

**CHAIRMAN**

**16<sup>th</sup> July 2018**