

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 18TH MARCH 2019.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Councillors Bevan, Davison, Earley, Harris, Llewellyn, Maclennan, Rouse and Vincent..
ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Mr G Hughes (Clerk). IW Councillor 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.

A parishioner reported on flytipping in Harbors Lake Lane, nothing in the content of which was able to identify the persons responsible but tyre tracks indicated that a van was the vehicle used.

Mr Whittaker reported on TCP/33730, land opposite ICR (IOW) Ltd (Sandown Airport), Embassy Way in respect of the retention of additional car parking area. He advised that the application was inaccurate on the period that works had been undertaken and this had disrupted the nesting period for birds. He also felt that insufficient information was available to justify the need and proposed usage of the increased number of parking spaces.

MINUTES

40/19 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None

41/19 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

42/19 MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 18TH MARCH 2019

On the proposition of Councillor Vincent, seconded by Councillor Rouse, it was

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held on 18th March 2019 be approved..

43/19 TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE FINANCIAL REPORTS

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

RESOLVED: (i) To approve the accounts for February 2019.
(ii) To approve payment of cheques 2609 to 2617.

44/19 IW COUNCILLORS REPORT

IW Councillor Mosdell had spoken with the Boswell family and it was suggested that an opening ceremony should be held on the completion of 'Norah's Way' and that appropriate name signs be placed at each end of the structure. She would in due course liaise with the IW County Press regarding the ceremony and Councillor Earley would organise the agreed signage.

RESOLVED: To agree to hold an opening ceremony and place appropriate signage at each end of the proposed structure.

45/19 PARISH COUNCILLORS REPORTS

Councillor Harris reported on the clearance of fallen vegetation at Skinners Lane and Palmers Lane. He also advised on the poor condition of a highway section at Youngwoods Way.

Councillor Davison reported that a light at the rear of the school had been continuously switched on for a considerable time, it was agreed to contact the school regarding wastage of electricity and impact on dark skies. She also proposed that Island Roads be again requested to undertake highway resurfacing of the section of highway next to the Pointer Inn which had been left out of the originally proposed scheme for

apparent safety reasons..

RESOLVED: That the Clerk contact Newchurch School and Island Roads respectively on the above matters.

46/19 CLERKS REPORT

The Clerk had circulated the following action list from the February meeting –

1. Fallen Trees at NC12 – Jennine Gardner of Rights of Way to visit site.
2. Bier and Bier Hut – accept roof quotation, seek two further quotes re door replacement.
3. Drain Clearance at Parish Hall – To receive quote from DARES Ltd.
4. Repair/Replacement of Parish Hall gas fire and servicing of gas fires.
5. Purchase of cutlery, crockery and equipment for Parish Hall.
6. Set up meeting with Gerald Skeen re Pedestrian Bridge.
7. Newport Shute potholes – IW Councillor Mosdell would contact Island Roads.

All items had been actioned or were contained elsewhere on the Agenda.

47/19 CORRESPONDENCE

A document had been received from Historic England advising that the War Memorial was now a listed structure. It was agreed that the Clerk would write to Historic England advising that the War Memorial was located in Newchurch Parish Council Cemetery and not in All Saints Churchyard.

There were no other matters arising from the correspondence that had been circulated.

48/19 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following applications were considered –

1. LDC/19364/F: Apse New Barn Farm, New Barn Lane, Shanklin.
Lawful Development Certificate for continued use of 1 and 2 The Stables as dwellings.
2. LBC/00143/19: Wacklands Farm, Wackland Lane, Newchurch.
Listed Building Consent for alterations and extension to Manor House; alterations and conversion of Red Barn to workshop.
3. TCP/33730: Land opposite ICR (IOW) Ltd (Sandown Airport), Embassy Way, Sandown.
Retention of additional car parking area.
4. TCP/33736: 6 Webster Way, Alverstone Garden Village.
Demolition of conservatory; proposed single storey rear extension and single storey front extension
5. TCPL/31677/D: Wacklands Farm, Wackland Lane, Newchurch.
Proposed alterations and extension to Manor House; alterations and conversion of Red Barn to workshop.

- RESOLVED:** (i) To object to application 1 above on the basis that the previous planning decision was for holiday accommodation only.
- (ii) To make no objection to applications 2 and 5 above.
- (iii) To fully support the comments made by Island Roads on application 3 above. The Parish Council were also advised by a resident that works were carried out in May and June 2018 (not August) and with this being the nesting period there was a serious impact on local wildlife and habitat.
- (iv) To make no objection to application 4 above, but would however recommend that the rooflight needs to be assessed or removed having regard to its potential impact on dark skies.

49/19 PLANNING DECISION

The following decision had been received –

TCP/11353/J: William Hall Funeral Directors, Sunny Brow, Winford Road, Winford. Proposed service building with associated parking. Approved.

RESOLVED: That the decision be noted.

50/19 PUBLIC SPACES PROTECTION ORDER

It was agreed to take no action in respect of the order.

51/19 IMPROVEMENTS TO PARISH HALL

Councillor Vincent had purchased new crockery for the use of hall users. It was agreed to dispose of all remaining old crockery and other unwanted items. The Clerk reported that DARES Ltd had yet to give a price for necessary drainworks as highlighted in their report. It was noted that certain windows were rotten and needed repair or replacement and it was suggested that ‘Men in Sheds’ may be able to assist with this. It was also noted that the exterior of the Parish Hall was in need of painting.

52/19 PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE

IW Councillor updated members on this item, Mr Skenes had contacted Sarum Hardwood Structures (SHS), suppliers of wooden structures, who would assist in the initial design process and could look to engage specialist civil & structural consultancies, together with local civil contractors in order to manage the complete project if needed. After discussion it was –

RESOLVED: To approve the engagement of SHS on the initial feasibility and design, to include meeting costs associated with a visit from their representative.

53/19 HIGHWAY WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS

It was considered that no enforcement could be made until the signage was corrected, visibility of the sign at Wacklands was also seen as being poor. The No Coaches sign was considered to be too far into the village, IW Councillor Mosdell would act and advise on this aspect.

54/19 LANDFILL AT KNIGHTON

The Clerk advised that the matter was still being investigated by the IW Council enforcement officers and that nothing further had been heard since the last meeting.

55/19 RESTORATION OF BIER/BIER HUT

Councillor Llewellyn had earlier raised concern regarding access to the cemetery in order to facilitate repairs to the Bier Hut roof, the contractor being unable to enter because of the gate being locked. The Clerk would write to All Saints regarding this. Discussion took place regarding the need to retain a bier as undertakers were making their own provision. Additional quotations for replacement doors had yet to be requested.

RESOLVED: (i) To ask local Undertakers whether they saw a need for the Parish Council to retain the Bier.
(ii) To ask ‘Men in Sheds’ if they would take on restoration of the Bier as a project.
(iii) The Clerk would write to All Saints regarding the locked gate and future access.

56/19 PROPOSED FESTIVAL AT LANGBRIDGE

There was nothing further to report, but parking for the event remained a concern.

57/19 CAR PARK MANAGEMENT

It had previously been agreed that Parish Councillors could grant permission for overnight parking should individual circumstances warrant. IW Councillor Mosdell suggested that this arrangement could be controlled through the issue of permits to be placed on the dashboard of approved instances which could be managed through the website.

58/19 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting was confirmed to be Monday 18th March 2019 in the Parish Hall.

The meeting closed at 8.49pm

CHAIRMAN

15TH APRIL 2019