

# 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 NOVEMBER 2019.**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Councillors Earley, Llewellyn, Mosdell and Vincent.

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:** Mr G Hughes (Clerk) and twelve 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 resident advised that the planning application for a new commercial and leisure park at Sandown Airport was not included in the Bay Regeneration Area. There were unanimous objections from all present regarding highway safety issues relating to the application, that insufficient effort had gone into seeking alternative sites, and that the application was out of character with the surrounding rural area.

## MINUTES

### **198/19 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Councillors Bevan, Davison and Harris.

### **199/12 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN OF THE MEETING**

In the absence of the Chairman and Vice Chairman, it was proposed by Councillor Earley, seconded by Councillor Llewellyn that Councillor Mosdell be elected Chairman for the meeting.

**RESOLVED:** That Councillor Mosdell be Chairman for the meeting.

### **200/19 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Mosdell declared a non pecuniary interest in Planning Application Reference 19/01205.

### **201/19 MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 21<sup>ST</sup> OCTOBER 2019**

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

**RESOLVED:** That the minutes of the meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> October 2019 be approved.

### **202/19 COOPTION OF COUNCILLOR**

There had been one application and the candidate had attended for interview on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October. The Clerk advised on the Interview Panel recommendation and it was unanimously -

**RESOLVED:** That Mr Glyn Arblaster be coopted onto the Parish Council.

Mr Arblaster signed the Acceptance of Office and joined the meeting.

### **203/19 TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE FINANCIAL REPORTS**

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

**RESOLVED:** To approve the financial reports for October 2019.

### **204/19 PLANNING APPLICATION**

Having regard to the number of members of the public present, it was unanimously agreed to bring this item forward on the agenda from that advertised. The following applications were considered -

1. Proposed alterations; new roof to provide accommodation at 1st floor level including balcony on front and rear elevation; detached garage; formation of new additional vehicular access. The Orchard Alverstone Road Newchurch. Ref. No: 19/01277/HOU |

2. Outline for new commercial and leisure park (revised scheme) Land To The West Of Scotchells Brook Lane And North Of Newport Road Apse Heath Sandown. Ref. No: 19/01205/OUT |

**RESOLVED:** 1. That no objection be made to application 1 above subject to the conditions recommended by Island Roads being applied.

2. To object to application 2 above for the following reasons –

(i). Highway Safety - the proposal would generate significant additional traffic from the projected new jobs created (both cars and heavy goods vehicles) and from those visiting the site. The section of highway where the access is planned is already hazardous, congested, with frequent periods of gridlock combined with speeding traffic. Sections of this highway have no pavement and pedestrians are required to walk in the road further increasing the risk of a serious road accident. It is understood that this section of highway has a high incidence of reported accidents.

The suggestion of one comment on the application, that the highway safety aspect of this application could be resolved by the introduction of a further mini - roundabout is seen as unworkable, it would not be feasible for longer vehicles to negotiate such and it would further exacerbate traffic problems on this already dangerous section of highway.

The airport runway also lies behind the site and the flight path into it runs west of the nearby Garden Centre and parallel to the proposed buildings, however a high proportion of flights come in low over the Garden Centre and so would be flying directly over said buildings leaving no margin for error. An aircraft has ditched in the trees behind the Garden Centre in the past and more recently on the golf course behind the airport. Any increase in flying over populated work places should be avoided.

(ii) Need and Character of surrounding Area -There is no need for development on this green field site, there being brown field sites and other existing commercial sites that could accommodate the proposed volume of new business. The application site is not recognised as an employment site by the IW Councils core strategy and its use as such would be to the detriment of and out of character with the surrounding rural area.

## **205/19 PLANNING DECISIONS**

The following decisions had been circulated -

1. 19/00800/HOU | Proposed single storey extension; extension to front porch | Jokadot The Shute Newchurch. Granted

2. 19/00870/HOU | Proposed two storey extension with balcony | Hill Farm Hill Top Newchurch. Withdrawn

3. 19/00995/CLEUD | Lawful Development Certificate for continued use of self-contained building for Residential purposes | Mersley Paddocks Mersley Lane Newchurch. Refused

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

## **206/19 IW COUNCILLORS REPORT**

Councillor Mosdell reported that the planning application for a new housing development at Apse Heath had been discarded. She advised that planning enforcement were investigating the occupation as residency of a building at Mersley Gardens and also the insertion of a gate in Knighton Lane. A meeting of Hampshire Constabulary and IW Council Cabinet was to take place regarding speeding issues on the island.

## **207/19 PARISH COUNCILLORS REPORTS**

Councillor Earley reported a possible new structure at Mersley Paddock that enforcement need to investigate. He also enquired as to where the portakabin from Lonlands Lane was now placed.

A caravan was being used for residential purposes behind Milestone, it was understood that Councillor Bevan was investigating.

Councillor Vincent reported a speeding incident in the Shute and had details concerning the firm advertised on the vehicle.

## **208/19 CLERKS REPORT**

The Clerk reported on the following items from the October Action List –

- 1.Land Registry – commence to register Parish Hall – proceeding.
- 2.Contact Island Roads re Festivals at Sandown Airport – E mailed, awaiting response.
- 3.Contact Dares re invoice for drainage works at Parish Hall – On Accounts for payment list.
- 4.Contact Police re shooting incidents – Reported details of incident.
- 5.E Mail re flooding and dogbin – e mailed NPS&CA, owner now contacted and taking action.
- 6.Write to Island Roads re Palmers Lane debris removal – E mailed Island Roads, response received.
- 7.Write to Island Roads re highway actions discussed at site meetings – E mailed Island Roads.
- 8.Health & Well Being Forum – November Agenda item.
- 9.Cooption Interview at 6.40pm on Monday 28th October – November Agenda item.

#### **209/19 CORRESPONDENCE**

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

#### **210/19 HEALTH AND WELL BEING FORUM**

Councillor Arblaster was appointed the Parish Councils representative on the Forum.

#### **211/19 IMPROVEMENTS TO PARISH HALL AND LAND REGISTRATION**

There were nothing further to report at this time. The Clerk confirmed that all quoted drainage works were complete and associated invoice received from DARES Ltd.

#### **212/19 PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE**

It was agreed to defer this item, pending an update from the Chairman at the December meeting.

#### **213/19 SPEED LIMITS AND WEIGHT RESTRICTION**

It was agreed that a meeting be arranged with Bartletts regarding the application of current restrictions.

#### **214/19 LANDFILL AT KNIGHTON**

No further information had been received from the IW Council. The Clerk would e mail Planning for an update (copy to Councillor Mosdell)

#### **216/19 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The date of the next meeting was confirmed to be Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2019 in the Parish Hall.

**The meeting closed at 8.37pm**

**CHAIRMAN  
16<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2019**