

# 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 SEPTEMBER 2017.**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Councillors Bevan, Davison, Harris, Maclellan, Rouse and Vincent.

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:** Mr G Hughes (Clerk), IW Councillor Mosdell and three 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 member of the public reported on an overgrown section of footpath by the river at Alverstone, the Clerk would raise the matter with Rights of Way.

The closure of Spicers Bridge and its future weight restriction, the use of Knighton Shute, the need for landowners to cut back hedgerows etc to enable safe passage of vehicles were the subject of discussion. It was recognised that highway safety issues needed to be addressed, as did the needs of emergency vehicles and certain other vehicle users to continue to use Spicers Bridge in the future. It was agreed to hold a public meeting at which speakers would be heard from representatives of highway users and residents.

## **MINUTES**

### **134/17 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Councillor Earley.

### **135/17 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

### **136/17 MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 21ST AUGUST 2017.**

On the proposition of Councillor Rouse, seconded by Councillor Maclellan it was -

**RESOLVED:** That the minutes be approved subject to the addition of a declaration of interest given by Councillor Maclellan in respect of the donation to Alverstone Village Hall.

It was agreed that Action List items would form an Agenda item for future meetings under the heading ' Clerks Report'

### **137/17 TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE FINANCIAL REPORTS**

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

**RESOLVED:** (i) To approve the accounts for August 2017.  
(ii) To approve payment of cheque numbers 2461 to 2468.

### **138/17 IW COUNCILLORS REPORT**

Councillor Mosdell updated the meeting on bridgeworks at Spicers Bridge and the proposed yellow lines at the Shute. Yellow lines at the top of the Shute would only be placed on one side of the highway and this was in accordance with the Parish Councils wishes. She reported that the agreed loading bay markings/signage would be effected at the same time as the yellow lines and this now formed an agreed work schedule. It was advised that the proposed footway on the Shute may be conditional on agreement that the proposed structure would be of a permanent nature.

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

### **139/17 PARISH COUNCILLORS REPORTS**

Councillor Rouse had attended the Health & Well Being Forum held at the Barrack Block in Sandown.

She had been asked by parishioners about the possibility of flashing speed signs in Forest Road and also reported that the disabled spaces in School Lane car park were still being used by unauthorised persons. The Clerk would raise the question of speed signs with Island Roads.

Councillor Harris again reported on the conditions of sections of NC42, the Clerk had obtained a map and he would liaise with Councillor Harris and make Rights of Way aware of the sections needing attention. Councillor MacLennan would report to the October meeting regarding a permitted path near Martins Wood.

Councillor Bevan reported on the condition of steps at NC11 and the danger inherent in raised spikes, IW Councillor Mosdell would raise the subject with Rights of Way..

Councillor Vincent reported that lighting was needed at the corner of Bartlett Close as the kerb was not visible in darkness and could be hazardous, the Clerk would ask Island Roads re the possibility of the kerb being made luminous.

Councillor Davison reported that the next IWALC meeting would be held on 21<sup>st</sup> September and there would be a presentation on the Home Share Scheme.

**RESOLVED:** That the reports be noted and that IW Councillor Mosdell and the Clerk undertake agreed actions.

#### **140/17 CLERK TO REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED PRIOR TO THE MEETING**

The Clerk had circulated a list of correspondence received since the last meeting.

**RESOLVED:** That the content of the list be noted.

#### **141/17 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The following planning applications were considered –

1. TCP/18303/K:land adjacent Cheverton Copse Holiday Park Scotchells Brook Lane Sandown. Full planning permission for change of use of land for extension to Cheverton Copse Holiday Park to include siting of 33 holiday lodges 85 touring unit pitches camping field 15 camping pods golf course machinery store/workshop and associate landscaping outline planning permission for 2x amenity block bunk barn/ wardens accommodation and play barn (revised access arrangement) (readvertised application).
2. TCP/27647/A:9 Cupressus Avenue Winford.Householder Application Proposed single storey side extension raised deck area to rear.

**RESOLVED:** To make no objection to the applications.

#### **142/17 PLANNING DECISIONS**

The following decisions were reported –

- 1.TCP/15749/E:1 Mersley Farm Cottages Mersley Lane Newchurch.Householder Application Demolition of single storey extension proposed two storey extension on side elevation to provide additional living accommodation porch. Approved.
- 2.TCP/29592/C:Part OS Parcel 5529 Alverstone Road Queen Bower.Demolition of stables proposed unit of holiday accommodation. Refused.
- 3.TCP/23897/F:Newchurch County Primary School High Street Newchurch. Conversion of classroom to new school entrance and staff office alterations to external elevations. Withdrawn.
- 4.TCP/33092:Rill Farm House Canteen Road Whiteley Bank.Demolition of stables proposed annexe with linkway to Rill Farm House 2 no. holiday units replacement stables detached garage bridge from holiday unit to garden car parking landscaping. Refused

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

#### **143/17 COMMEMORATIVE PLAQUE RE MR COLIN RICHARDS**

The plaque had been placed in the Community Garden and it was confirmed that the event to commemorate Mr Colin Richards would take place in the Parish Hall on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October. It was agreed that any associated expenditure would be authorised under Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972. Councillor Davison had produced a list of persons to invite and all agreed to assist in making contact with persons on the list.

#### **144/17 CAR PARKING OUTSIDE OF POST OFFICE**

IW Councillor Mosdell had advised that the marking and signage for the loading bay would commence at the same time as the marking of the yellow lines at Newchurch Shute.

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

**145/17 SCHOOL LANE CAR PARK**

The Clerk reported that he had obtained from DVLA the details of all the Registered Keepers of all vehicles that had been abandoned in the car park and had written to the two persons whose vehicles still remained in the car park.

**RESOLVED:** To defer further consideration until the October meeting.

**146/17 QUEEN BOWER CAR PARK – PARKING & SIGNAGE**

The Clerk reported that the new sign had now been placed in the car park.

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

**147/17 REQUEST FROM ALL SAINTS RE TIDY UP**

Subsequent to a comment by a member of the public, a letter had been received from All Saints requesting if the Parish Council would assist in making tidy that section of the churchyard adjacent to the benches and where the gravestones are laid flat. After due consideration it was agreed to advise the PCC that the Parish Council already assisted the PCC through the cutting of grass in this area of the cemetery and it was not their responsibility to carry out any maintenance or tidying up works. Councillor Rouse abstained from voting on this item.

**RESOLVED:** To advise the PCC that the Parish Council did not wish to undertake any further work in the requested area of the cemetery.

**148/17 WEBSITE**

Councillor Davison advised that the transfer of information and correspondence between the old and new websites was still not complete. The Clerk advised of the difficulty experienced and that he had requested the supplier of the new website to assist in the process.

**149/17 IWALC WORKSHOP 31<sup>ST</sup> OCTOBER**

It was confirmed that Councillor MacLennan would attend this event.

**150/17 CONDITION OF CEMETERY BIER**

Councillor Davison had requested the Clerk to investigate the condition of the bier, which had been in the Council's ownership for many years and was still used for some burials. The Clerk had been advised by a local undertaker that the bier was in poor condition and that on occasion a bier had to be brought to the cemetery as a substitute for that of the Parish Council. It was reported that the pathway towards the end of the cemetery was slippery and it was agreed to ask Mr Read as to a possible remedy. After discussion it was –

**RESOLVED:** To investigate the costs of bringing the bier into good condition.

**151/17 TIME CAPSULE LOCATION**

Councillor Davison advised on the location of the capsule, the Clerk would produce a document to ensure its precise location was fully recorded.

**152/17 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Parish Council would take place at 7.30pm on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2017 in the Parish Hall.

**The meeting closed at 8.52pm**

**CHAIRMAN**

**16TH OCTOBER 2017**