

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 20TH SEPTEMBER 2021.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Councillors Bevan, Davison, Earley, Harris and Whittaker.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Mr G Hughes (Clerk).

Prior to the meeting a presentation was received from Mr Julian Wadsworth and Mr Iain Lawrie of the Community Resilience Team, who would commence engagement with the local community on three proposed local projects.

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

MINUTES

125/21 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Councillor's Blezzard, Mosdell and West.

126/21 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

None

127/21 MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 16TH AUGUST 2021.

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

RESOLVED: To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 16th August 2021.

128/21 TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE FINANCIAL REPORTS

RESOLVED: To approve the financial reports.

129/21 IW COUNCILLOR REPORT

No report had been received at the time of the meeting.

130/21 PARISH COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Councillor Whittaker advised that the PCSO was unable to assist with dummy surveillance cameras to monitor dog fouling.

Councillor Davison advised that the hedging at Skinners Lane and Palmers Lane had now been cut, that the Zebra Crossing markings at Apse Heath had been renewed. The pothole in School Lane still needed attention, the Clerk would

contact Island Roads. **GH**. There was to be a Community Resilience event at the Broadway Centre involving a number of local organisations, Councillor Davison would attend. **JD** Councillor Davison asked if estimated repair costs for all noticeboards could be circulated. **GH**

Councillor Harris reported that the markings at the car park in School Lane needed renewal. This would need to be phased after the proposed resurfacing works and the installation of an electric vehicle charger had been undertaken. He had been asked as to whether the Parish Council would acknowledge those who had made donations to the pedestrian bridge, the Clerk would place the Parish Councils thanks on the website together with an update on progress with the scheme. **GH**. Councillor Harris also reported that the gate at Norah's Way had been repaired.

The contribution for a Wreath for Remembrance Day would form an October Agenda item. **GH**

131/21 CLERKS REPORT

The Clerk reported the following matters -

1. Parking at Langbridge – Agenda item.
2. Right of Way at Wacklands – Agenda item.
3. Manhole adjacent to Honnor & Jeffery – Reported to Island Roads.
4. Gate at Community Garden – The Reverend had agreed to the proposal to the reversal of the gate opening. **GH**
5. NC11 condition – Contacted Hants & IWWT and they have raised with ROW.
6. Gate and vegetation at Norah's Way. These items had been attended to.
7. Website – Horticultural Society details updated.
8. Dog Fouling – Sign at playing field says it is registered under Fouling of Land Act. This would be raised with the NPS&CA. **RB**

132/21 CORRESPONDENCE

Councillor Davison advised of a further communication from John Medland outlining a scheme and costings for the installation of electric vehicle chargers. The Clerk would clarify with Mr Medland as to whether the scheme applicable to off street car parks such as School Lane. **GH**

Responses to the Parish Council's letter on speeding and highway safety had been received from the MP, Hampshire Constabulary and the Police Commissioner. The responses had been disappointing and the response from Hampshire Constabulary was considered to be poor in relation to its reliance on volunteers to take action. A draft response would be prepared, initiated by Councillor Davison, for consideration at the October meeting of the Parish Council. **JD** The Clerk would write to the IW

Council/Island Roads to see if the trialled weight restriction TRO over Winford Road / High Street / The Shute Newchurch could be made permanent. **GH**

133/21 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following planning applications were considered -

1. Proposed swimming pool enclosure. Rillfield House Canteen Road Whiteley

Bank Newchurch.
Ref. No: 21/01626/HOU |
2. Proposed balcony with privacy screen. 15 Ventnor Road Newchurch .Ref. No:
21/01596/HOU |

RESOLVED: That no objection be made to the applications.

134/21 PLANNING DECISIONS

The following decision had been circulated – 21/01463/HOU | Alterations to widen existing vehicular access (revised scheme) | Heath View, Alverstone Road, Newchurch. Refused

RESOLVED: To note the decision.

Councillor Davison commented on the length of time being spent by Planning on determining a planning application made last year by William Hall.

135/21 PARKING AT LANGBRIDGE

The situation had improved in recent months and it was agreed to provide a further update for consideration at the January 2022 meeting.

136/21 RIGHT OF WAY PROPOSAL AT WACKLANDS

Rights of Way had advised that they were not obliged to maintain the proposed scheme and contributions may need to be sought from other sources.

137/21 IMPROVEMENTS TO PARISH HALL

The next stage had been previously agreed to be to upgrade the WC's and provide a covered/sheltered access to them. It was –

RESOLVED: To form a Working Group to bring forward a planned programme of works. The Working Group to comprise initially of Councillor's Bevan, Davison and Earley.

138/21 ISLAND PLANNING STRATEGY CONSULTATION

Councillor Blezzard had circulated his comments on the Strategy to the Chairman and the Clerk. Councillor Bevan welcomed the hard settlement boundary aspect of the Strategy, the reduction in the 'Housing Number' and the aspects involving affordable housing and employment promotion.

Having regard to the detailed content of the Strategy it was agreed to call an extraordinary meeting at 7.30pm on Monday 27th September to agree a submission to the IW Council. Councillors were invited to circulate their individual comments in advance of the meeting to assist an effective discussion period. **ALL**

139/21 PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE

It was confirmed that the licence had now been received from the Environment Agency, the Clerk would pass on the thanks of the Parish Council to Mr Ian Boyd

for all his work in securing the awarding of the licence. Site meetings were now being arranged with all concerned with the construction and it was hoped that the scheme would be completed in the current calendar year. It was agreed that the bridge colourings and deck surface would be discussed at the meeting to be held on the 27th September.

140/21 REQUEST FOR A FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION

A request had been received from All Saints regarding a contribution to Defibrillator content.

RESOLVED: That a contribution of £54 be made.

141/21 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next monthly meeting was confirmed to be Monday 18TH OCTOBER 2021.

The meeting closed at 8.55pm

CHAIRMAN

18TH OCTOBER 2021