

**MINUTES OF BRIGHSTONE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT
BRIGHSTONE METHODIST CHURCH ON WEDNESDAY 12th JUNE 2024 AT 7.30PM.**

PRESENT: Cllr C Bridges (Vice Chairman), Cllr D Alldred, Cllr N Maclellan and Cllr J Frost
Mrs Joy Walker (clerk)

Three members of the public were present.

The Vice Chairman Cllr C Bridges chaired the meeting in the absence of Chairman Cllr J Cirrone.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Cllr J Cirrone (Chairman), Cllr D Wavell, Cllr R Haviland and Cllr N Stuart (Ward Cllr)

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

None

3. MINUTES.

The Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council of the 8th May 2024 having been previously circulated and read were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Vice Chairman.

4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION, ON GENERAL MATTERS, AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIRMAN.

A resident raised the issue of rubbish including old bedding left by the bins in Warnes Lane car park. Cllr D Alldred would contact Island Roads.

5. CLERK'S REPORT AND UPDATES.

The accounts had been forwarded to the external auditors.

Island Roads had been written to regarding the possible group of residents looking after the bank alongside Blanchards as a wildflower bank. The response from Island Roads refusing permission had been circulated to councillors. The resident would be sent a copy of the response.

6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

23/00507/HOU 14 Sirenia Close, Brighstone. Proposed side extension (corrected plans) (revised design) (re-advertised application). No issues were raised. Councillors had No Objections.

24/00728/RVC Hunny Hill Farm, Hunny Hill, Brighstone. Variation of condition 2 on 23/01278/FUL to allow alterations to approved scheme (Plot 6). Councillors Object to the application. Additional vertical glazing and the sun tube replaced with a skylight would result in an increase in light emission which contravenes the dark skies policy.

7. TO RECEIVE PLANNING DECISIONS.

24/00220/HOU The Old Brewhouse, Coastguard Lane, Brighstone. Restoration of dwellinghouse to include demolition of sunroom; alterations and conversion of garage to form additional living accommodation; alterations to fenestration, roof and eaves; removal of chimney and construction of new chimney; replacement rainwater goods; pergola; and landscaping to remove pillars and extension of existing hard surfaced threshold for driveway (revised description). **GRANTED**

24/00280/HOU High Timbers, Upper Lane, Brighstone. Proposed extension to front dormer; replacement front porch; alterations and conversion of garage to form additional living accommodation; alterations to include external rendering and replacement roof coverings; proposed shed (revised scheme). **GRANTED**

24/00440/FUL Land at Cilton Lane, Brighstone. Proposed construction of pole barn and retention of vehicular access. REFUSED

8. TO NOTE DATE OF POSSIBLE MID-MONTH PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING:

Tuesday 25th June, to start at 7.30pm.

9. TO DISCUSS AND UPDATE THE CURRENT CONSULTATION REGARDING SCHOOL PLACEMENTS THROUGHOUT THE ISLAND.

The Parish Council had not received any further information. An update may be received from Brighstone School after the meeting is held with the PTA.

Agenda item to be retained for future Parish Council meetings.

10. TO DISCUSS SIGNAGE FOR THE PLAYGROUND REQUESTING PEOPLE TO TAKE RUBBISH HOME AND CONTACT FOR REPORTING ANY ISSUES, FAULTY PLAY EQUIPMENT ETC.

The Recreation Ground Committee would be asked about providing possible signage for the play area with a contact number to report any issues.

11. TO DISCUSS AND UPDATE THE PROPOSED MEETING WITH THE TENNIS CLUB.

A draft letter had been produced to send to the Tennis Club. This was currently being checked by a solicitor. To be an agenda item for the next Parish Council meeting.

12. TO DISCUSS AND UPDATE THE COMMUNITY LIBRARY ELECTRICITY SUPPLY.

Following a complaint to EDF regarding the ongoing issues with the meters EDF had agreed to waive all charges to 1st March. The new Smart meter was due to be installed on 20th June.

13. TO DISCUSS EVENTS

Concerns were raised regarding the lack of advance notice and information given of large organised events going through the area. Events were also being held without with very little if any signage. Island Roads had been contacted but it appeared it was not their responsibility. It was resolved to write to Licencing expressing that Island Roads, if not already, should be part of SAG and that suitable signage is provided. Advance notice of any event affecting the Parish should be sent to the Parish Council.

14. TO DISCUSS THE POSSIBLE CHARGING FOR USING THE PUBLIC TOILETS.

Due to Cllr D Wavell`s absence this would be deferred to the next Parish Council meeting.

15. TO DISCUSS WHY THE BANKS ALONG THE BACK OF BLANCHARDS SITE AND IN FRONT OF THE SOCIAL HOUSING IN UPPER LANE HAVE NOT BEEN CUT THIS YEAR.

It was considered the whole Parish area was overgrown and untidy with road junctions overgrown and dangerous with visibility cut. It was agreed that Island Roads would be asked about their cutting programme.

16. TO RECEIVE I W COUNCILLOR'S REPORT.

Cllr N Stuart provided a written report circulated at the meeting.

17. RISK ASSESSMENT CHECKS FOR JUNE.

All risks done.

18. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT:

Chq	To	Description	Net	VAT	Gross
bp	Island Cleaning Solutions	Toilet Cleaning May 2024	301.17	0.00	301.17
bp	Mrs J Walker	Salary May 2024	914.00	0.00	914.00
bp	Mrs J Walker	Stationery	34.47	6.90	41.37
dd	British Gas	Electric Pavilion	20.86	1.04	21.90
dd	British Gas	Electric Toilets	22.00	1.10	23.10
bp	Groundsell Contracting Ltd	Grass Cutting	1139.29	227.86	1367.15
bp	Wight Fire & Security	Fire Extinguisher Service	55.61	11.12	66.73
dd	Biffa	Waste Collection Play Area	2.00	0.40	2.40
dd	Pension payment	Mrs J Walker	47.60	0.00	47.60
TOTAL			2537.00	248.42	2785.42

Proposed: Cllr N Maclellan

Seconded: Cllr D Alldred

All Councillors agreed

19. TO RECEIVE FINANCIAL STATEMENT TO 31ST MAY 2024.

The Financial Statement had been prepared and circulated to the Parish Councillors prior to the meeting. There were no issues arising.

20. TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES.

None

21. CORRESPONDENCE:

An email from a resident requested permission to cut the grass and make a flower bed either side of a bench in Upper Lane. He also offered to sand down and varnish the bench.

Councillors had no objections to this. It was suggested that planting troughs may be better than flower beds to avoid any damage from grass cutting machines.

22. OTHER MATTERS MEMBERS MAY WISH TO RAISE.

-A grey car had been left at the top of Broad Lane. It had a flat tyre and no tax or MOT. The police had already been informed but no action yet. The Clerk would chase this up.

-Several issues were still awaiting answers from the IoW Council eg. quiet roads, 20mph in village, overnight streetlights, 45-minute parking. To be an agenda item for next Parish Council meeting.

-A caravan had been parked on Upper Lane for some time. To be an agenda item for the next Parish Council meeting.

23. ITEMS TO BE INCLUDED IN NEWSLETTER.

None

24. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

Main Parish Council meeting on Wednesday 17th July at 7.30pm at Brighstone Methodist Church. Due to the Clerk on leave councillors agreed to move the meeting a week later.

There being no further business, the Vice Chairman thanked everyone for attending, and closed the Meeting at 8.20pm.