

**MINUTES OF BRIGHSTONE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT
BRIGHSTONE METHODIST CHURCH ON WEDNESDAY 10TH APRIL 2024
AT 7.30PM.**

PRESENT: Cllr J Cirrone (Chairman), Cllr J Frost, Cllr R Haviland, Cllr C Bridges, Cllr D Wavell, Cllr D Alldred, Cllr N Maclellan and Cllr N Stuart (Ward Councillor)
Mrs J Walker (Clerk)

Three members of the public were present.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

None

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

None

3. MINUTES.

The Minutes of the Full Parish Council Meeting of the 13th March 2024 having been previously circulated and read were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

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

None

5. CLERK'S REPORT AND UPDATES.

-Island Roads had been contacted regarding the amended cutting time to the grass verge alongside Blanchards. An acknowledgement had been received but no confirmation of the requested time changes.

-The prepared comments statement regarding Atherfield Bay Holiday Camp had been forwarded to the developers and planning department.

-The applications for both the Sun Inn at Hulverstone and the Three Bishops in Brighstone had been approved. Both properties have now been registered as Assets of Community Value.

6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

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

Councillors resolved to remain NEUTRAL as with the previous barn application on Lynch Lane it should be left to the AONB, now Natural Landscapes, to decide on the suitability of the barn, its location and appearance.

7. TO RECEIVE PLANNING DECISIONS

23/02178/FUL Hunny Hill Farm, Hunny Hill, Brighstone. Amended house type including attached garage on Plot 6 (revised plans) (readvertised application). Granted

24/0352/6PA Brighstone Down Farm off Lynch Lane, Brighstone. Agricultural prior notification for proposed agricultural barn. Prior Approval Granted.

24/00201/HOU Leigh Cottage, Military Road, Brighstone. Proposed alterations and extensions to existing dwelling (revised scheme). (revised description). Granted

8. TO NOTE DATE OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING MEETING:

Tuesday 23rd April, to start at 7.00pm.

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

Tuesday 23rd April, to start at 7.30pm

10. TO AGREE TO REQUEST FOR ROAD TRAFFIC CLOSURES FOR REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY SERVICE IN BRIGHSTONE NOVEMBER 2024

Councillors all agreed. The Chairman would write to Island Roads.

11. TO DISCUSS ANY UPDATE REGARDING ENFORCEMENT OF BRIGHSTONE HOLIDAY CAMP.

Nothing further had been received on the original request. There were now more caravans on the site than before. Enforcement would be written to again.

12. TO DISCUSS AND AGREE THE INCREASE IN COSTS TO THE NEWSLETTER.

Sadly the Editor had passed away recently. There was currently no further information regarding future costs.

13. TO DISCUSS THE SURRENDER OF THE OLD LEASE TO BRING FORWARD THE NEW LEASE BETWEEN THE PARISH COUNCIL AND THE RECREATION GROUND COMMITTEE.

The discussion would be delayed until the surrender document had been discussed with the Recreation Ground Committee at their meeting on 13th May following the AGM on the same evening.

14. TO DISCUSS AND UPDATE THE AMOUNT OWED BY THE TENNIS CLUB REGARDING THE LEGAL FEES FOR THE LICENCE AND NON-PAYMENT OF CONTRIBUTION TO RECREATION GROUND COSTS.

Following a lengthy discussion Councillors resolved that the only way forward would be to start again with a fresh approach. The £1500 owed by the tennis club could be waved and discussions regarding the cost and who would pay for the new sublease could be discussed. Delegates from the PC who were not involved in the initial discussions (Cllrs D Wavell, D Alldred and N Maclellan) would contact the tennis club requesting to attend either a tennis club meeting or agree to meet with delegates from the tennis club to try to resolve the issues concerned.

Any meeting should be either minuted or recorded.

The tennis club treasurer would be contacted again regarding the payment of the Recreation Ground contribution costs.

15. TO DISCUSS THE CONDITION OF NOTICE BOARDS OR BENCHES NEEDING REPLACEMENT OR REFURBISHMENT WITHIN THE PARISH.

Several notice boards were looking old especially outside the Wilberforce Hall, Blanchards and the board containing the map. Quotes would be sought to replace the items.

Southern Vectis would be contacted to recoat the bus shelter outside Blanchards.

16. TO RECEIVE I W COUNCILLOR'S REPORT.

The Ward Councillor gave a brief overview of his report:

-Flooding – drainage had been completed in Coombe Lane.

-Coastguard Lane – Island Roads had agreed to level the surface.

- Education – there is a public consultation regarding school placement and possible school closures due to falling numbers. Ashley Whittaker would be invited to the next PC meeting.
- The Island Planning Strategy would be coming before full council. This would be the last chance of getting it accepted before having to start again.
- Discussions to change back to a Committee system of governance within the IoW Council. Committee members would be chosen on proportional representation. It was hoped all areas would be represented fairly especially West Wight.

17. RISK ASSESSMENT CHECKS FOR APRIL.

There were no risks identified.

18. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT:

chq N	To	Description	Net	VAT	Gross
bp	Island Cleaning Solutions	Toilet Cleaning March 2024	301.17	0.00	301.17
bp	Mrs J Walker	Salary March 2024	914.00	0.00	914.00
bp	Mrs J Walker	IONOS Domain Fee	36.08	7.22	43.30
bp	HMRC	PAYE Quartley Payment	196.85	0.00	196.85
dd	British Gas	Electric Pavilion	25.06	1.25	26.31
dd	British Gas	Electric Toilets	18.03	0.90	18.93
dd	Ringway Island Roads	Dog Bin Emptying	192.00	38.40	230.40
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			1732.79	48.17	1780.96
Library A/C					
bp	Wight Fire & Security	Intruder Alarm Service	68.58	13.72	82.30
bp	Norma Bradley	Various Supply Expenses	217.67	0.00	217.67
TOTAL			2019.04	61.89	2080.93

Proposed: Cllr R Haviland

Seconded: Cllr D Wavell

All Councillors agreed

19. TO RECEIVE FINANCIAL STATEMENT TO 31ST MARCH 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.

- The Brighstone Reading Room and Social Club AGM had been held.
- An acknowledgement had been received from EDF regarding the Library complaint. They would be looking into the complaint dating back to 7th August 2023.

21. CORRESPONDENCE:

- A request for grant funding had been received for setting up a food waste distribution centre. This would be considered when grant applications are discussed in September.

22. OTHER MATTERS MEMBERS MAY WISH TO RAISE.

- A coffee morning was being held at the Seely Hall on 6th May.
- Enforcement Notice at the Guet was expected to be served on 22nd April.
- Possible charges for public toilets to be an agenda item for the next Parish Council meeting.

23. ITEMS TO BE INCLUDED IN THE NEWSLETTER.

Assets of Community Value- Three Bishops pub and Sun Inn.

Lighting left on when not needed.

ID required when voting reminder.

Application for road closure for Remembrance Sunday.

24. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

Annual Meeting of the Parish Council on Wednesday 8th May 2024 at 7.30pm at Brighstone Methodist Church.

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked everyone for attending, and closed the Meeting at 9.28pm.