

Minutes of a meeting of Gurnard Parish Council held at Gurnard Village Hall in Westbrook Lane, Gurnard on Wednesday 12 December 2018 at 7.00pm.

PRESENT: Councillors Nolan (Chair), Bugden, Fuller, Jacobs, Laurens and McKean.

PCSO Steven Anker was not present but circulated a written report to members prior to the meeting. There were two reported crimes in November 2018 compared with three for the same period last year. Reference was made to an apparent abandoned car in Hilton Road which they have so far been unable to trace ownership of. Councillors discussed this problem and other abandoned cars in the village.

6800 APOLOGIES

There were no apologies received as all Councillors were present.

6801 MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

a. <u>To receive declarations of pecuniary & non-pecuniary interests</u>

Councillor Fuller declared a non-pecuniary interest in that he is an Isle of Wight Council member. Councillors Bugden and Jacobs declared a non-pecuniary interest in item numbers 4v and 8d as they live close to both sites.

b. <u>Dispensation requests</u>

No dispensation requests were received.

6802 MINUTES

The draft minutes of the Full Council meeting held on 14 November 2018 were taken as read, approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

6803 PLANNING, LICENSING & TREE PRESERVATION ORDER APPLICATIONS

- a. The following planning applications were received:
- (i) Application No: P/01234/18 Alt Ref: TCP/33648 (1068)

Location: The Pele, Woodvale Road, PO318EB

Proposal: Extension at 1st floor level to enlarge bathroom

RESOLVED: That Gurnard Parish Council make no objection

(ii) Application No: P/01039/18 Alt Ref: TCP/33595 (1069)

Location: 33 Lower Church Road PO318JG

Proposal: Outline for detached dwelling (revised plans)(revised description)(readvertised application)

RESOLVED: That Gurnard Parish Council agree with the recommendations from Island Roads and object on the grounds of inadequate access visibility, inadequate fire access, inadequate parking area and inadequate turning area.

(iii) Application No: P/01276/18 Alt Ref: TCP/33520/A

Location: 8 Gurnard Heights PO318EF

Proposal: Proposed rear decking area; increased height of boundary fence

RESOLVED: That Gurnard Parish Council object to the insufficient increase proposed of 300mms to the boundary and resulting lack of privacy to the neighbouring property.

(iv) Application No: P/01287/18 Alt Ref: TCP/01182/C

Location: 27 Woodvale Road PO318EH

Proposal: Demolition of shed; proposed garden room

RESOLVED: That Gurnard Parish Council make no objection

(v) Application No: P/01304/18 Alt Ref: TCP/30006/K

Location: Former Gurnard County Primary School, 27 Cockleton Lane PO318JD

Proposal: Variation of condition 2 on P/00919/14 - TCP/30006/C to allow alterations to garages for plots 6 & 7

RESOLVED: That Gurnard Parish Council make no objection

b. The following decisions were received and noted:

(i) Application No: P/01111/18

Location: 10 Woodvale Road, PO318EH

Proposal: Extension at first floor level including new roof; alterations and general refurbishment of

dwelling (revised scheme)

Decision: Granted Plan Permission (or issue Cert)

(ii) Application No: P/01000/18

Location: 12 Woodvale Road, PO318EH

Proposal: Proposed first floor rear extension; cladding of external walls; internal additions & alterations (revised description) (re-advertised)

Decision: Granted Plan Permission (or issue Cert)

(iii) Application No: P/01047/18 Location: 28 Albert Road, PO318JU

Proposal: Variation of condition no.2 on P/01111/17 to allow amendments to approved scheme:

Decision: Refuse Plan Perm (or not issue Cert)

intrusive and unneighbourly addition resulting in a form of development out of character with the street scene, resulting in a serious and adverse effect on the visual amenity of the locality as well as an adverse effect on the amenities enjoyed by the occupants of the neighbouring properties, contrary to Policy DM2 Design Quality for New Development of the Island Plan Core Strategy and the National Planning Policy Framework.

6804 REPORTS

a. Parish Council Chair

The Chairman reported his attendance at a site meeting of the Toilet Working Group with Danfo to discuss plans and pricing, and that a site meeting for the Cooks Bay Access Working group has been organised with John Taylor from Natural England at midday on Wednesday 16th January 2019

b. <u>Parish Clerk</u>

The Clerk reported a very good handover with outgoing Clerk Sue Waters and that it hadn't been possible to transfer the O2 mobile phone contract which will expire on 22nd December 2018. The phone is owned by the parish Council and Councillors may wish to consider re-contracting in the future should a mobile be required by the new Clerk once appointed.

c. IW Councillor

Councillor Fuller provided a copy of his report setting out his activities over the preceding month. He updated that the Island Planning Strategy Consultation has been extended until midday Monday 25 February 2019. Following contact with the IWC re. the seafront railings, a request has been received from IWC for Cowes Town Council and Gurnard Parish Council to contribute £2000 each towards the cost of replacement. Cllr Fuller has been in contact with both Island Roads and the Environment Officer re. an abandoned car on Hilton Road, and despite reminders, still to receive a response regarding \$106 monies for community projects in Gurnard.

RESOLVED

That the Clerk write a letter to Ollie Boulter, now Head of Planning at the IWC, to request this information on behalf of Gurnard Parish Council.

Cllr Fuller reported a number of complaints about parking since work has started on the new school and has requested parking enforcement respond to the situation. Winter gritting routes have started and confirmed that all school routes will be done. The dip in Cockleton Lane will also be salted to prevent ice from water draining from the fields.

- d. Minutes from the Isle of Wight Association of Local Councils meeting held on 15 November 2018 were received and noted.
- e. Cllr Fuller reported his attendance at the Town and Parish Council Seminar with IW Council held on 10 December 2018 which focused on the Isle of Wight Council's 2019/2020 budget proposals. Removal of the LAC role identified for £40,000 of savings had raised some discussion. Cllrs discussed rising parking charges, mainland travel for medical care and the 'island' factor.

RESOLVED

To discuss the budget proposals in more detail at next month's meeting.

6805 FINANCE

a. The Clerk presented electronic payments totaling £4179.86 for approval.

RESOLVED

That electronic payments totalling £4179.86 are noted and approved.

b. The Clerk presented the monthly bank reconciliation and copy of the bank statement for information.

RESOLVED

That the monthly bank reconciliation and bank statement is received and noted.

c. The Chairman put forward recommendations from the Finance Working Group to agree a budget and precept of £58,000.000 for 2019/20.

RESOLVED

That the budget and precept of £58000 for 2019/20 is agreed

d. Ring-fencing funds in the toilet budget for refurbishment was proposed

RESOLVED

That any funds in the toilet budget are ring fenced towards the refurbishment of the toilets and that a public consultation will follow once costs are known to seek views from residents on this expenditure

e. Additional bank account signatories following resignations were discussed

RESOLVED

That the Chairman and Councillor Bugden will be added as signatories to the bank account, Clerk to arrange.

6806 ITEMS REQUESTED BY COUNCILLORS

a. The promenade between Gurnard and Cowes (Councillors Bugden and Fuller)

Cllr Bugden raised the issue regarding the dangerous practice of people cycling on the promenade, people picnicking on the pavement, and overnight camping particularly during Cowes week with Cllr Fuller, who involved 16 residents in a consultation; 13 of which objected, 3 were in support, and it was proposed to ask Island Roads in the first instance about advisory signs on the pavement.

RESOLVED

That the issue is raised with Island Roads and they are asked for advice re. signage on the pavement

b. **Toilet Working Group** (Councillor Laurens)

Cllr Laurens reported on the site meeting held with Danfo to look at the possibility of building unipod toilets on the green and that they should receive costs in the next couple of weeks.

RESOLVED

That while the toilet cleaning and sanitary bin emptying contracts are in place until the end of March 2019, these will be looked at when more is known about the future of the

toilets.

6807 ITEMS RAISED BY THE CLERK

a. Three policies were provided for review by members.

RESOLVED:

That the Grant Awarding and Petition Policies are approved without amendment and that the complaints policy is approved following an update to the monitoring officer contact.

b. Following the recent resignation of Councillors the Clerk has been advised by Electoral Services that no one has requested an election to fill the three vacancies and the Parish Council can now proceed to fill these vacancies through co-option. An expression of interest has already been received from one member of the public. Working groups were reviewed to ensure sufficient representation

RESOLVED

That candidates will be given until the end of February to register an interest in writing to the Clerk outlining why they want to be a Councillor and what experience they can bring to the role, to be considered at Full Council on Wednesday 13 March 2019.

c. The request for a memorial plaque to be placed on one of the picnic tables on the green was discussed.

RESOLVED

That a plaque on one of the picnic tables is not appropriate but instead for the requestor to seek Island Road's advice about the purchase of a bench on the seafront.

d. The request for Gift to Nature to retain Cockleton Meadow in their current marketing material was discussed

RESOLVED

That there is no objection to Gift to Nature retaining Cockleton Meadow in their current literature but that it is not a name in use anymore

6808 ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS

- Recruitment of a new Parish Clerk
- Seafront railings
- Update from the Toilet Working Group
- Isle of Wight Council's 2019/2020 budget proposals
- Island Planning Strategy Consultation
- Co-option of Councillors
- Village green status for play area
- The great British Spring Clean 2019

6809 RECRUITMENT OF A NEW PARISH CLERK (Councillor Nolan)

The Chairman reported the recommendations from the Personnel Working group regarding the recruitment of a new Parish Clerk.

RESOLVED

That changes be made to the contract and job specification as per the recommendations of the working group.

CHAIR

The meeting closed at 9.07 pm.		

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