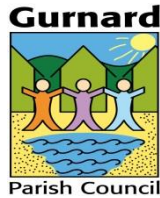


GURNARD PARISH COUNCIL



Minutes of the meeting of Gurnard Parish Council held at Gurnard Village Hall in Westbrook Lane, Gurnard on Wednesday 9 September 2020 at 6.00pm.

PRESENT: **Councillors** Nolan (Chair); Fuller; Bugden; Jacobs, Williams and Clayton
No members of the public were present.

PCSO Howard was unable to attend but had forwarded his report which was circulated to members. There were 2 crimes reported in August 2020.

6963 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received and approved for Cllrs Wood and Laurens

6964 MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

- a. Cllr Bugden declared an interest in agenda item 7c as she lives near the site. Cllr Fuller declared a non-pecuniary interest in agenda item 4a as a member of the Isle of Wight Council's Planning Committee and issued the following statement "Please note that any predisposed view I express tonight is based on the information that has been presented. However I remain open to listening to all arguments and receiving further material planning information, potentially enabling me to change my mind in light of further information." Cllr Fuller also declared an interest in agenda item 7a as he has set up a committee locally to challenge the proposals to charge for parking on the seafront.
- b. No written dispensation requests received.

6965 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held remotely on 8 July 2020 were taken as read, approved as a correct record, and signed by the Chair.

6966 PLANNING, LICENSING & TREE PRESERVATION ORDER APPLICATIONS

- a. The following planning application was considered:
Application No: 20/01266/FUL
Location: Old Barn Bridle Cottage Rew Street PO31 8NW
Proposal: Demolition of existing barn structure; proposed replacement self-contained annexe with off road parking and formation of vehicular access
RESOLVED: That Gurnard Parish Council object to this application as it is out of character with the street scene and any use of the building should be ancillary only to the host building, Bridle Cottage.
- b. The following planning decisions were noted:
 - i. Application No: 20/01019/HOU,
Location: 10 Solent View Road
Proposal: Proposed two storey extension (revised plan)
Decision: Granted
 - ii. Application No: 19/00421/RVC
Location: The Range 79 Place Road PO31 7AE
Proposal: Variation of condition no 5 on P/00564/13 to enable the sale of food and drink items
Decision: Granted
 - iii. Application No: 20/01144/FUL
Location: Willows Rew Street PO31 8NW

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Proposal: Non-material amendment on P/00072/19 to reduce size of approved extension and change roof design

Decision: Refused

- c. To comment on the consultation white paper outlining new government proposals for calculating Island housing numbers

RESOLVED: That Gurnard Parish Council strongly object to these new proposals which forecast an excessive 1045 houses to be built annually. The number is considered to be far too high; the Island does not have the infrastructure to cope with it, and these proposals would have a significant and adverse impact on the Isle of Wight's environment, community and tourism sector. Clerk to feedback to both IWALC and Bob Seeley MP.

6967 REPORTS

- a. Parish Council Chairman

The Chairman reported his time spent responding to issues with the new toilets, to be discussed under agenda item 7b.

- b. Clerk's Report

The Clerk circulated her report prior to the meeting. No questions were raised.

- c. IW Councillor

IW Cllr Fuller circulated his report prior to the meeting and updated on a serious assault in Rew Street which was reported to him. A discussion was had about the police response which was felt to have been inadequate on this occasion, and the number of scams targeted at mainly elderly and vulnerable residents. Cllr Bugden raised this issue at the last PACT meeting and it was suggested a regular feature in the Gurnard News could be helpful in warning residents about the latest scams. It was noted that Tutton's Hill is now open again, and that while the response from SGN to the concerns initially raised has been well received, better enforcement from Island Roads would have been helpful. Cllr Fuller highlighted that Baring Road now has a 'no waiting or loading' restriction outside the school, and that double yellow lines are planned for Place Road which should solve access issues for wheelchair users. A suggestion was made following receipt of monies from the community bus service start up fund, to ring fence these monies to support any further reduction of the service in the future, and Cllrs agreed to take this on board when setting next year's budget.

6968 FINANCE

- a. The Clerk presented electronic payments totalling £13072.35 for the months from March 2020 to August 2020 for approval

RESOLVED: That the electronic payments totalling £13072.35 for the months from March 2020 to August 2020 are approved

- b. The Clerk presented receipts for the period from March 2020 to August 2020

RESOLVED: That receipt of the Precept and Grant payment from IW Council of £59,000, VAT return from HMRC for £307.73, and refund for the Community Bus Service from Northwood Parish Council of £704, are noted

- c. The Clerk presented the copy bank statements and bank reconciliations for the months from March 2020 to August 2020

RESOLVED: That the monthly bank statements and bank reconciliations for the months from March 2020 to August 2020 are noted

- d. The Clerk presented the half yearly Budget against Expenditure Report for the year 2020/21

RESOLVED: That the half yearly Budget against Expenditure Report is noted

- e. The Clerk presented the Risk Assessment for 2020

RESOLVED: That the Risk Assessment for 2020 is approved

- f. The Clerk presented the Financial Regulations and Standing Orders for review

RESOLVED: That the Financial Regulations and Standing Orders are reviewed and approved without amendment

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- g. The Clerk presented the insurance policy schedule due for renewal on 1st October 2020 with additional options to increase the sum insured for the newly refurbished toilets
RESOLVED: That the sum insured of £250,000 for the toilets is considered to be adequate and the renewal premium of £1223.94 is approved.
- h. The Grants Panel shared their recommendations in relation to 7 grant applications received
RESOLVED: That £100 is granted to Gurnard Parent and Toddler group, £400 to All Saints Church for the production of the Gurnard News, and £500 to Gurnard Village Hall Association towards the upkeep of the Village Hall.
- 6969 ITEMS RAISED BY COUNCILLORS**
- a. Proposed Seafront Parking Charges and Parking Place Order (Cllr Fuller)
Cllr Fuller updated on action he has taken so far to raise awareness of the IWC's intention to introduce parking restrictions on Gurnard Seafront and has set up a committee to challenge the proposals. Whilst he had hoped a public meeting would be possible, Covid-19 restrictions will prevent this from happening, but he is spreading the word as much as possible through posters and assistance with reasons to object. His intention is to carry out a petition after the consultation closes.
RESOLVED: Cllr Nolan to produce and display a local poster specifically for Gurnard, highlighting the knock on effect of seafront users trying to avoid charges by parking in local residential roads. Clerk to respond to the IWC's consultation on GPC's behalf and update the website and noticeboard accordingly.
- b. Toilets (Cllr Nolan)
Cllr Nolan provided an update on the toilets and the issues that have now largely been dealt with.
RESOLVED: That the second payment to Danfo (UK) Ltd. for £53340.00 is approved.
- c. Old School Meadow (Cllr Nolan)
Cllr Nolan shared the recommendations of the Old School Meadow working group following their meeting on Monday 7th September 2020
RESOLVED:
To instruct Green Jiant:
 - to cut the meadow in the 1st two weeks of October,
 - to trim the orchard, pond and wild flower areas,
 - to replace the two fence posts that have come down on the roadside.**For the gate to the pond, corroded and broken and no longer now necessary, to be lifted out and placed in the shed.**
To respond to a request giving permission to a member of the public to use one of the raised beds for planting, so long as they do so at their own risk, understanding the Parish Council can't take responsibility for any damage that might occur due to it being an open site.
- d. Litter pick (Cllr Bugden)
To agree on rescheduling this event between 11-27 September 2020 as part of the postponed Great British Spring Clean 2020
RESOLVED: That this event is postponed again as a result of new restrictions being imposed due to Covid-19. Individuals to do what they can in their own areas.
- e. Parish Award
To agree on how to present the Parish Award to the Gurnard News Team
RESOLVED: For the Clerk to deliver the Parish Award to the Editor of the Gurnard News and a budget of £30 is approved
- f. Parking on Pavements (Cllr Bugden)
To review the issue of cars parked on pavements on Place Road and agree on next steps
RESOLVED: That this issue will now be resolved through the parking restriction introducing double yellow lines on Place Road, and that new legislation is due to be introduced making it illegal to park obstructively on pavements.

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6970 ITEMS RAISED BY THE CLERK

a. Appointment to Committees, Working Groups and Outside Bodies

RESOLVED: That the following appointments are approved:

Planning Committee - Cllrs Nolan, Fuller, Bugden, Jacobs, Williams, Wood and Clayton

Toilet Committee - Cllrs Nolan, Bugden, Jacobs, Williams and Clayton

Old School Meadow Working Group - Cllrs Bugden, Nolan, and Wood

Playground Working Group - Cllrs Jacobs, Nolan and Clayton

Personnel Working Group - Cllrs Nolan and Fuller

Public Access Working Group - Cllrs Nolan and Fuller

Financial Working Group - Cllrs Fuller, Bugden and Nolan

Grants Panel - Cllrs Bugden and Nolan

Designation of Local Green Space Working Group - Cllrs Nolan and Bugden

Community Transport Forum - Cllr Fuller

IWALC - Cllr Fuller

IWC Town and Parish Council Seminars - Cllr Fuller

Village Hall Association - Cllr Williams and Jacobs

PACT (Partners/police and communities together) - Cllr Bugden and Wood

Environment & Sustainability Forum - Cllr Fuller

Neighbourhood Watch Coordinator - Cllr Wood

Tree Warden - Cllr Nolan

Age Friendly Champion - Cllr Fuller

b. Decisions taken by email during Covid-19 lockdown

The Clerk presented the decisions taken by email during the Covid-19 lockdown

RESOLVED: That the decisions taken by email during the Covid-19 lockdown are ratified

c. Polices for adoption and review

The Clerk presented policies for review:

RESOLVED: That the following policies are agreed without amendment: Environment and Biodiversity, Equality and Diversity, Information & Data Protection, Document Retention and Disposal, and Privacy Notices

d. Remembrance Service

To agree attendance and donation to the British Legion for this year's Remembrance Service

RESOLVED: That the Chairman to attend on behalf of the Parish Council and a donation of £50.00 is approved for the British Legion

e. Consultation - Isle of Wight Council Local Council Tax Support Scheme 2021/22

To comment on the Isle of Wight Council's Local Council Tax Support Scheme 2021/22

RESOLVED: That Gurnard Parish Council have concerns for working people on very low incomes and want to make sure safeguards are made for working residents

6971 ITEMS TO INCLUDE ON FUTURE AGENDAS

- Old School Meadow
- Environment Officer

The meeting closed at 8.26pm

CHAIR
