

Minutes of the meeting of Gurnard Parish Council held on Wednesday 9 February 2022 at 6.30pm at Gurnard Village Hall

PRESENT: Councillors Nolan (Chair); Fuller; Bugden; Jacobs; Bustin; Acton; Williams and Franklin.

Clerk: Mrs Katie Riley Members of the public: 1

Neither PCSO Steve Anker or IW Council Environment Officer Senad Adams were in attendance.

The Chairman invited the member of public present to speak who raised safety concerns about the sightline for pedestrians crossing the road from the top of the path on the Green opposite the Woodvale Pub and asked if the Parish Council could pursue this matter with Gurnard Sailing Club to have the hedge cut back. IW Cllr Fuller offered to liaise with the Island Roads District Steward about this. Concerns were also raised about the eyesore the Watersedge building site still is and whether the Parish Council can help. The Parish Council already tried to resolve this matter directly with the owners last year to no avail and so IW Cllr Fuller is now talking to Planning Enforcement Officers about appropriate action.

The meeting formally opened at 6.53 pm

7153 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received and approved for Cllr Wood who was working.

7154 MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

- a. Cllr Fuller declared an interest in agenda item 4 as Isle of Wight Cabinet Member for Planning and Community Engagement 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."
- b. No written dispensation requests received.

7155 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 12 January 2022 were taken as read, approved as a correct record, and signed by the Chair.

7156 PLANNING, LICENSING & TREE PRESERVATION ORDER APPLICATIONS

- a. There was 1 planning application for Councillor's consideration:
- i. Application No: 22/00056/RVC

Location: 8 Albert Road PO31 8JU

Proposal: Variation of condition no 2 on 21/00775/HOU to allow amendments to the approved scheme **RESOLVED: That Gurnard Parish Council raise no objection to this application.**

- b. The following planning and appeal decisions were noted:
- i. Application No: 21/02417/HOU

Location: 32 Woodvale Road PO31 8EG

Proposal: Proposed balcony on front elevation

Decision: Granted

ii. Appeal Ref: APP/P2114/W/21/3269289

Application No: 20/00959/FUL

Location: 39 Woodvale Road PO31 8EE

Proposal: Demolition of an existing dwelling and a garage, and for a replacement dwelling and an ancillary outbuilding

Decision: Subject to conditions, the appeal is allowed and planning permission is granted.

iii. Application No: 21/02081/FUL

Location: The Little Gloster 31 Marsh Road PO31 8JQ

Proposal: Demolition of existing restaurant and residential accommodation over; proposed raising of ground floor level of existing holiday accommodation to include extension at 1st floor level; proposed single storey residential unit; replacement restaurant to include decked area; alterations to roof Decision: Granted

iv. Application No: 21/02520/HOU

Location: 12 Bay View Road PO31 8JF

Proposal: Demolition of conservatory; proposed single storey extension; alterations and conversion of garage to form additional living accommodation; loft conversion to include dormer window; alterations to include cladding (Revised Plans)

Decision: Granted

7157 REPORTS

a. Parish Council Chairman

The Chairman raised the recent episode of graffiti in Gurnard and Cowes which he referred to the Clerk to report to the relevant authorities.

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 the graffiti and that the police are taking the matter very seriously.

d. GVHA

The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 6th January were circulated prior to the meeting. Cllr Bustin (Chair of GVHA) updated that the Cyber Café is due to restart on 9th March on a fortnightly basis, and that they are looking at organising an event, possibly afternoon tea, in the hall for the Jubilee. As there are lots of local Jubilee events in the pipeline GVHA are inviting organisers, through the Gurnard News and Gurnard Nextdoor website, to share their events to try and co-ordinate efforts and prevent duplication if possible. The Chair of GVHA also updated that she and Treasurer Chris Park are due to attend an employment workshop shortly, a new key safe has been installed, and that lessons have been learnt recently following a misunderstanding about hire start and finish times which are being tightened up on.

7158 FINANCE

a. The Clerk presented electronic payments for January for approval

RESOLVED: That receipt of £113.55 collected from the toilet coin boxes is noted, and the following payments totalling £6197.25 for the month of January are approved:

•	Community Action (January payroll)	£2325.60
•	Reynolds and Read (new pathway on Green)	£2100.00
•	CPRE subscription	£36.00
•	Mrs K Riley (January office)	£36.00
•	Mrs K Riley (February office)	£274.90
•	Citizens Advice IW (grant)	£100.00
•	Danfo (toilet cleaning December)	£769.60
•	Business Stream	£409.50
•	SLCC subscription	£145.65

b. <u>The Clerk presented copy bank statements and the bank reconciliation for January</u>

RESOLVED: That the copy bank statements and bank reconciliation for January are noted

c. <u>To approve Mr. Stuart Penney proceeds with the refurbishment of the railings around the village clock</u> and benches around the toilets on <u>Gurnard Green</u>

RESOLVED: That Mr. Stuart Penney proceeds with the refurbishment of the railings around the village clock and benches around the toilets on Gurnard Green

d. To review GPC's current web hosting provider and agree future provision

RESOLVED: That GPC continues with its current web hosting provider TSO and will review again should any problems arise in the future.

7159 ITEMS RAISED BY COUNCILLORS

a. Southern Water (SW) and Environment Agency (EA) Public Meeting

The Clerk shared the response from SW to the Parish Council's request to attend a public meeting regarding the level of discharges to sea in Gurnard, and whilst they are keen to consult with the public they are not willing to do so until September in order to be able to first progress their 'pathfinder project' aimed at reducing discharges into Gurnard Bay through the separation and removal of surface water from the system. No response has been received from the EA.

RESOLVED: That Southern Water's timeframe for a public meeting in September is accepted and the Clerk continues to chase the EA for a response about their attendance at the same public meeting.

- b. <u>Annual Parish Meeting (APM) speaker and Parish Award</u>
- i. Agree a speaker

RESOLVED: That IW Cllr Jonathan Bacon is invited to speak at the APM about the Isle of Wight UNESCO Biosphere Reserve.

ii. Agree Parish Award

RESOLVED: That the Parish Award is agreed.

iii. Agree refreshments

RESOLVED: That Cllr Bustin will organise refreshments and a £30 budget is approved.

c. <u>Toilet Contactless Payment System</u>

The Clerk presented costs from Danfo (UK) Ltd to supply and install a Nayax contactless reader of £1,350 per door.

RESOLVED: That a contactless payment system is approved for one toilet unit on Gurnard Green.

d. <u>Litter pick</u>

Agree date and organisation for a Spring Litter Pick

RESOLVED: That 10.00 am on Saturday 26th March is agreed for this year's litter pick. Cllr Fuller to approach the Portland Inn about sponsorship.

e. <u>Time limits for meetings</u>

The lengthy duration of council meetings was discussed with possible solutions including greater use of committees and working parties.

RESOLVED: That allocating time limits to agenda items is trialled.

f. Grass cutting at Old School Meadow

To agree action following concerns raised about the grass at Old School Meadow being cut again without permission

RESOLVED: That the Clerk should write again to the local resident concerned to politely ask for insurance purposes that he refrains from carrying out any further work at Old School Meadow.

g. <u>Gurnard Village Hall</u>

To establish which parameters are acceptable for the operation of Gurnard Village Hall Association within GPC's legal status as lease

RESOLVED: That Cllr Fuller arranges a meeting with Community Action Isle of Wight's Chief executive Mike Bulpitt including the GVHA Chair and GPC Clerk in order to seek advice about running village halls and establish the best way forward for Gurnard Parish Council.

h. <u>Summer Fete/Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations</u>

Cllr Bustin shared her ideas for an event at Old School Meadow to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee to include a fete and possible dog show.

RESOLVED: That Cllr Bustin seeks sponsorship from local businesses before the next meeting so that GPC funding can be agreed.

i. Forest Road Recycling Centre visit

To consider arranging a visit to the Forest Road Recycling Centre

RESOLVED: That this item is put on hold until the Centre is finished and ready for visitors.

j. <u>Pop up business proposal for Gurnard Seafront</u>

To respond to a proposal from the IWC for pop up businesses to be permitted on Gurnard Seafront RESOLVED: That whilst not objecting to the idea in principle, Gurnard Parish Council object to the location being proposed, having recently invested significant funds in a new seating area with disabled access, we would not want to see this well used family area changed by commercial pop up businesses.

The other area that we also think would be equally unsuitable is the roadside parking area adjacent to the sailing club this is regularly used as a disabled parking area and for loading and unloading boats to the Public slipway. Further along Princess Esplanade would provide more space and would be a far better location for this proposal.

7160 ITEMS RAISED BY THE CLERK

a. Request for a memorial plaque

A request for a memorial plaque to be attached to the new picnic table on the plinth at the bottom of Gurnard Green was considered

RESOLVED: That whilst it would not be fair to allow a memorial plaque on the new picnic table on the plinth given that it was funded by GPC and the amount of similar requests received previously, there might be a possibility in the future with one of the seven new benches soon to be installed on the seafront through the welcome back fund. The Clerk to inform the family of this possibility and that a policy is agreed for managing future requests.

RESOVLED: That Standing Orders are suspended to allow the meeting to continue beyond 2.5 hours Policing issues for feedback to Hampshire Constabulary

RESOLVED: That whilst Councillors considered local policing issues, in particular speeding, they had no specific issues for feedback to Hampshire Constabulary

7161 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

b.

- Village Hall
- Local Accessibility
- LCWIP

7162 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

In accordance with section 1 (2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act of 1960, the Press and Public will be excluded from the following item, having due regard to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted

7163 OLD SCHOOL MEADOW FENCING AND GATES

To receive further detail on quotations for 60 metres of new fencing and gates at Old School Meadow RESOLVED: That Green Jiant's quotation of £1470 plus VAT to remove the chestnut fence along the side of the orchard, install double gates on timber posts, and install approximately 60 metres of 800mm stock netting on round timber posts knocked in, is approved.

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The meeting closed at 9.22 pm	
	CHAIR