

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WOOTTON BRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON
TUESDAY 21 JANUARY 2020 AT 7.00 PM IN THE OLD SCHOOL, NEW ROAD, WOOTTON
BRIDGE.

Present Councillor Steve Porter – Chairman
 Pete Mundell – Vice Chairman
 Councillors Barry Abraham, Linda Pitcher, Barbara Port, Mike Waddleton,
 Ross Edmunds, Trish Evans, Daryll Pitcher and Ken Morris

Also present 2 Members of the Public
 0 Member of the press
 Liz Kingston - Parish Clerk

Items raised in the Open Forum:

None

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

20/1. Apologies received from Councillor Morris as he is unwell and Councillor D Pitcher is working.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

20/2. None

3. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 10 DECEMBER 2019

20/3. RESOLVED – THAT THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 10 DECEMBER 2019 WERE APPROVED AND DULY SIGNED.

4. TO RECEIVE CORRESPONDENCE AND CLERKS REPORT AND TO AGREE ANY
ACTION TO BE TAKEN.

20/4. Isle of Wight Council's Housing Needs Survey

Noted - The clerk has received paper copies and the survey is also available online until 16 February 2020.

20/5. To consider and comment on the Road Verge Strategy

The strategy was sent to the councillors prior to the meeting. The Parish Council stated they were in favour of Bio Diversity.

20/6. The mini recycling centre in Brannon Way Car Park

The Isle of Wight Council are looking at options with regards to recycle bins in Brannon Way car park. This is due to the fly tipping that keeps happening and the costs involved with taking it away each time.

20/7. Christmas Proposal instead of a tree.

Councillor Waddleton wondered whether the Parish Council could run a competition for best dressed frontage on the High Street. The clerk has also looked at a "flagpole" type Christmas tree.

RESOLVED – THAT THREE MEMBERS OF THE PARISH COUNCIL WILL MEET TO DECIDE ON A STRATGEY AND PRESENT AT THE NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

20/8. Discuss precept proposals for 2020/21

The clerk has emailed the forecast and the actual spend so far this year to the councillors before the meeting. The Isle of Wight Council has confirmed that the Local Council Tax Support Grant will remain at £925 this coming financial year. The Parish Council had a

discussion and asked the clerk to present figures at the next meeting with a 1% increase as an option.

20/9. Update re crossing at the bridge

The clerk and 4 councillors had a meeting with Island Roads. Island Roads have stated they have requests for 14 other crossing and they don't have a policy for assessing the crossings. This area does not meet the current national criteria; however they are looking at developing an Island policy. Once this has been developed all requests for crossing will then be assessed against this and a priority established. This could take up to 2 years.

5. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS.**

To comment on the following applications:-

20/10. 19/01588/RVC

Land between 6 and 18, Lushington Road, Wootton Bridge

Variation of conditions 2 and 9 on P/00252/19 to allow minor alterations to plots 3, 6, 7 and 9 and to allow garages to plots 6 and 7 to be constructed with the submitted plans.

RESOLVED – THAT THE PARISH COUNCIL WILL COMMENT ON THE RE-ADVERTISED APPLICATION THAT WILL BE PUBLISHED ON THE 24 JANUARY 2020 AND THAT COUNCILLOR ABRAHAM WILL SPEAK TO THE PLANNING OFFICER ABOUT THE APPLICATION.

20/11. Decisions made by the Isle of Wight Council

19/00205/HOU - Approved – The Suntrap & Veronica, Creek Gardens, Wootton Bridge

19/01275/CLEUD – Refused – Park Lodge, Lower Woodside Road, Wootton Bridge

19/01305/HOU – Refused – Seaview Cottage, New Road, Wootton Bridge

20/12. Tree Preservation Orders

19/01515/TW – 71 Station Road, Wootton Bridge

Ash Tree – to be felled to near ground level

Reason – stem has split and substantial basal rot

19/01370/TW – Oaklands, New Road, Wootton Bridge

Oak Tree – to be felled to near ground level

Reason – due to damage to the neighbouring property through subsidence

20/13. Appeal

None

6. **MONTHLY REPORT OF ISLE OF WIGHT COUNCIL ISSUES AFFECTING THE VILLAGE**

20/14. Report by local member.

Councillor Abraham provided a verbal report for the meeting. Issues raised included:

- IWALC – infrastructure meeting at the Riverside Centre on Friday 24 January starting at 1.30pm – Councillor Edmunds will attend.
- Access onto Lushington Hill from Palmers Farm – a resident has requested a mirror which apparently is not illegal; however a request to cut back the vegetation has been sent to Island Roads.
- Climate & Environment Strategy – proposals for the next 20 to 30 years were discussed. Parish and Town Councils to have their strategies in place.
- Cowes – apologies made with regards to the noise being made.
- Email – issues with IOW Council emails has now been resolved after 3 weeks.
- Speed camera has been removed

7. **IWALC REPORT**

20/15. The next meeting is 30 January 2020.

8. ACCOUNTS.

20/16. To consider and approve the accounts for payment.

Members were presented with the accounts for payment for January

RESOLVED – THAT THE ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT FOR OCTOBER TOTALLING £7676.66, A COPY OF WHICH FORMS APPENDIX A OF THESE MINUTES, BE PAID.

9. MATTERS RAISED BY COUNCILLORS

20/17. Councillor Mundell asked about why the seat at the corner of Rectory Drive and the High Street was removed, if the caravan had been removed from the car park in Firestone Copse and about rubbish collecting in the alcoves in Kennedy Close. Councillor Abraham will look into this and the caravan.

Councillor Port enquired about possible building in the paddock behind Packsfield Lane. Councillor Abraham stated that none of that area had come forward to the council for possible development.

Councillor Waddleton enquired about New Road and when it would be fixed as a couple of houses have started to slip. The clerk stated she would email Island Roads and chase.

Councillor Evans mentioned that the fence behind PGL was broken and the children are disturbing residents. Councillor Waddleton said he would go and speak to the manager at PGL.

Councillor Edmunds enquired about the path at the recreation ground. The clerk stated that Lee Matthews was dealing with it all and she would chase him in June/July.

Councillor Abraham stated that the new PSPO would be out for consultation shortly. He also stated that the car park behind the post office in the High street was in a terrible state. Councillor L Pitcher stated they are trying to do something.

Councillor Mundell asked if the gentleman at Mill Square could be written to about access on to the grass area. The clerk to check with Island Roads when it will be resurfaced and Councillor Abraham to speak to Isle of Wight Council.

Councillor Porter mentioned that the notice board by the station need some care and attention. The clerk will look into this.

There being no further business to discuss the meeting closed at 8.10p.m.

Signed

Date

WOOTTON BRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL
Payments for Approval at Meeting on 21st January 2020

Thompson Plants - Christmas Tree		£210.00
NDLE Ltd - Instal Tree and Lights		£750.00
Nigel Murray - Tidyman November		£112.50
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SLCC - Membership Fee		£180.00
IWC - Toilet Inspection Forms		£112.32
IWC - Environment Officer 6 months to march 2020		£1,040.00
JDH Painting & Decorating - Re-stain Notice Board		£295.00
IOW GEEK - Website Hosting & Security		£142.99
Island Cleaning Solutions - Public Toilets December		£893.60
The Bridge - Parish Council Page		£832.00
Jadestone Traders - Disposal of old IT Equipment		£42.00
npower - Public Toilets Electricity	DD	£57.19
npower - HIC Electricity	DD	£360.21
Business Stream - Public Toilets Water	DD	£100.23
HP Instant Ink - Printer Ink	DD	£7.99
Biffa - Tea Room Wheelie Bin	DD	£51.24
Sage Payroll	DD	£21.27
Business Stream - HIC Water Monthly	DD	£13.00
Wightfibre - HIC Phone & Broadband	DD	£35.28
Salaries as Minute E49&E50	SO	£1,615.22
IWC Pension Conts		£417.41
HMRC - Tax & NI		£287.21

£7,676.66