

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WOOTTON BRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON
TUESDAY 17 NOVEMBER 2020 AT 7.00 PM VIA ZOOM

Present Councillor Steve Porter – Chairman
 Councillors Barry Abraham, Linda Pitcher, Barbara Port, Lynda Strange,
 Trish Evans, Daryll Pitcher and David Burley

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

Items raised in the Open Forum:
None

Councillor Porter welcomed the new councillors

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

20/77. Councillor Mundell had connection issues and could not be heard.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

20/078. None

3. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 15 SEPTEMBER 2020

20/079. RESOLVED – THAT THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 15 SEPTEMBER 2020 WERE APPROVED AND DULY SIGNED.

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

20/080. Grant application from Isle of Wight Dance & Drama Festival

The clerk emailed the grant application to the councillors prior to the meeting.
RESOLVED – THAT THE PARISH COUNCIL WOULD GRANT THE ISLE OF WIGHT DANCE AND DRAMA FESTIVAL THE SUM OF £50.00

20/081. Grant application for Jigsaw Family Support

The clerk emailed the grant application to the councillors prior to the meeting.
RESOLVED – THAT THE PARISH COUNCIL WOULD GRANT THE JIGSAW FAMILY SUPPORT THE SUM OF £150.00

20/082. To decide on whether to have a flagpole

The clerk emailed the quote to the councillors on a flagpole.
RESOLVED – THAT THE CLERK COULD PROCEED WITH THE BUYING AND INSTALLING OF THE FLAGPOLE WHERE THE CHRISTMAS TREE NORMALLY GOES, BUT AFTER CHRISTMAS.

5. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

To comment on the following applications:-

20/083.

20/01688/HOU/

Rowlands, 25 Station Road, Wootton Bridge, Isle of Wight PO33 4QU

Proposed single storey extension

RESOLVED – THAT THE PARISH COUNCIL HAVE NO OBJECTIONS TO APPLICATION 20/01688/HOU

20/01796/OUT

159 High Street, Wootton Bridge, Isle of Wight PO33 4LZ

Outline for a detached dwelling; parking spaces and vehicular access to be provided for new and existing dwelling

RESOLVED – THAT THE PARISH COUNCIL OBJECTS TO PLANNING APPLICATION 20/01796/OUT DUE TO LACK OF PARKING, POSSIBLE ROAD CONGESTION WITH VEHICLES PARKED ON THE HIGHWAY AND ACCESS TO THE PROPERTY FROM THE ROAD.

20/01959/6PA

Oakdene Nurseries, Packsfield Lane, Wootton Bridge

Agricultural Prior Notification for a new agricultural building

RESOLVED – THAT THE PARISH COUNCIL OBJECTS TO PLANNING APPLICATION 20/01959/6PA. THE PARISH COUNCIL BELIEVES IT DOES NOT MEET THE CRITERIA, AS THERE HAS NOT BEEN AN ESTABLISHED HOLDING FOR MANY YEARS, AND THE ACCESS ROAD IS VERY NARROW WHICH COULD LEAD TO ACCIDENTS.

20/084. Decisions made by the Isle of Wight Council

19/01588/RVC - Approved – Land Between 6 & 18 Lushington Hill, Wootton Bridge

20/01616/6PA – Approved – Palmers Farm, Brocks Copse Road, Wootton Bridge

20/085. Tree Preservation Orders

20/01232/TW – Little Canada Holiday Village, New Road, Wootton Bridge

Oaks x 4 - fell

20/086. Appeal

None

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

20/087. Report by local member.

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

- Gravel Pit Road & Red Road – Spoken to David Cheek about road signage and double yellows. Gravel Road is almost complete and Red Road is on hold due to lockdown again. Thanks to Councillor Evans for her help and assistance in this matter.
- New Road – issues with closing the road due to no access, however Island Roads did let people through, but it looks like they haven't done much with regards to repairs.
- Island Road & Planning Enforcement – they are looking into the issues regarding concrete in Mill Square and creek.
- Church Road – emailed Peter Rogers and spoken to Tim Rogers and they are looking at remedial action.
- Footpath N97 – still issues with who is responsible for the maintenance and rectifying the works already done.

7. IWALC REPORT

20/088. Councillor D Pitcher produced a written report (appendix A). It included the following:

- New Chairperson elected – Cllr Diana Conyers – as well as other elections
- Maxine Warr is standing in until a new County Officer can be appointed.
- Dispute with HALC – IWALC now have direct access to the NALC legal support services.
- Zoom package – this has now been purchased for meetings and training

8. ACCOUNTS.

20/089. To consider and approve the accounts for payment.

Members were presented with the accounts for payment for October & November

RESOLVED – THAT THE ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT FOR OCTOBER TOTALLING £5632.71 NOVEMBER TOTALLING £5310.57, A COPY OF WHICH FORMS APPENDIX B OF THESE MINUTES, BE PAID.

9. MATTERS RAISED BY COUNCILLORS

20/090. Councillor D Pitcher gave a Covid update. Demand has slightly increased but not as busy as people seem more organised and people are just going out. The IOW Council phone number is back up and running and currently there are plenty of volunteers.

Councillor Port asked if there was any update on the Post Office. The clerk explained that it was still ongoing and waiting for installation costs.

There being no further business to discuss the meeting closed at 8.01p.m.

Signed

Date

IWALC AGM Report.

The IWALC (Isle of Wight Association of Local Councils) AGM was held on Thursday 29th October via Zoom.

1. Cllr Diana Conyers of Ryde Town Council was elected unopposed as the new Chair. She replaces Cllr Helena Hewston who stood down.
2. Cllr Mick Lyons was re-elected as Vice Chair. This position was contested with Cllr Shirley Smart also being proposed. I voted for Mick on behalf of WBPC as I felt that he offered continuity. This was important as both the Chair and the County Officer (equivalent to the Clerk) are going to be new. Jill Webster the County Officer had already indicated to the meeting that she had tendered her resignation and had already been thanked by the outgoing Chair during her introduction at the start of the meeting.
3. As above the County Officer Jill Webster has tendered her resignation. The previous County Officer Maxine Warr offered to stand in as an interim until a new CO could be appointed. This offer was accepted by all so Maxine is currently the County Officer.
4. Cllr Hardy was re-elected as Treasurer.
5. Gareth Hughes was appointed as the Auditor.
6. The yearly accounts were presented by Cllr Hardy and unanimously approved.
7. The insurance renewal quote of Came & Company was accepted.
8. Appointments to outside bodies were made.
9. It was decided to purchase an annual Zoom package as all future meetings and training could continue in this way for the foreseeable future.
10. Dispute with HALC (Hampshire Association of Local Councils)
 - a. NALC (the national association) has stepped in to offer direct access to all IWALC members for their legal support service. Previously this was only available to the larger Associations and was being used against IWALC by HALC.
 - b. NALC will try and mediate between the two associations.
11. Communication and Training were highlighted as the key aspects of IWALC working.
12. The previously circulated meeting dates for next year were confirmed.
13. The next meeting will be on Thursday 26th November at 7pm via Zoom.

WOOTTON BRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL
Payments for Approval at Meeting on 20 October 2020

Island Cleaning Solutions - Public Toilets Cleaning Sept		£893.60
Nigel Murray - Tidyman		£100.00
Groundsell Contracting - 2 Grass Cuts Sept.		£720.00
Came & Company - Parish Council Insurance		£1,225.66
npower - Public Toilets Electricity	DD	£60.20
npower -HIC and Tea Room Electricity	DD	£93.74
HP Instant Ink - Printer Ink	DD	£1.99
Wight Fire & Security - Reset alarm		£66.00
Sage Payroll	DD	£21.27
Business Stream - HIC Water Monthly	DD	£13.00
Wightfibre - HIC Phone & Broadband	DD	£54.90
Salaries as Minute E49&E50	SO	£1,650.27
IWC Pension Confs		£428.74
HMRC - Tax & NI		£303.34
		£5,632.71

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Payments for Approval at Meeting on 17 November 2020

Island Cleaning Solutions - Public Toilets Cleaning Oct		£893.60
Nigel Murray - Tidyman		£112.50
HP Instant Ink - Printer Ink	DD	£3.99
Footprint Trust		£750.00
PKF Littlejohn - Audit		£360.00
Groundsells - 2 cuts		£720.00
Sage Payroll	DD	£21.27
Business Stream - HIC Water Monthly	DD	£13.00
Wightfibre - HIC Phone & Broadband	DD	£54.06
Salaries as Minute E49&E50	SO	£1,650.27
IWC Pension Conts		£428.74
HMRC - Tax & NI		£303.14
		£5,310.57