

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WOOTTON BRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON
TUESDAY 20 JUNE 2023 AT 7.00 PM IN THE OLD SCHOOL, NEW ROAD, WOOTTON
BRIDGE.**

Present Councillor Barrie Hailstone – Chair
Councillor Linda Pitcher – Vice-Chair
Councillors Trish Evans, Lee Lemon, David Burley, and Barry Abraham.

Also present 1 Members of the Public
0 Member of the press
Liz Kingston - Parish Clerk
Lorna Morey – Assistant Parish Clerk

Items raised in the Open Forum:

Steve Porter, Director of Wootton Bridge CIC, will be submitting a grant application and wanted to give the council more information before he does this. He explained that the Old School building is due an upgrade including the boiler being replaced and installing insulation. They currently use the building for various activities including adult learning classes, a craft group, bingo and a youth club. He, along with 2 other directors, hope to expand how the building is being used including as a warm hub in the winter and by offering upskills and drama at the youth club. They haven't asked for a grant for a few years. He explained that a large proportion of their money goes towards the very high energy costs. He will give us more information when he submits the grant application as and when they get it.

1. APPOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

23/085. Apologies were received from Councillor Cory as he has an appointment on the mainland, Councillor Yeo who had work commitments and Councillor Ward who was unwell.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

23/086. Councillor Lemon for the planning application applicant 23/00713/FUL as he has done work for them.

3. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 16 MAY 2023

23/087. RESOLVED – THAT THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 16 MAY 2023 WERE APPROVED AND DULY SIGNED.

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

23/088. To decide and agree on grant application from AGE UK
RESOLVED – THAT THE PARISH COUNCIL WILL ASK A REPRESENTATIVE TO COME AND SPEAK TO THE NEXT MEETING TO DISCUSS THEIR APPLICATION. COUNCIL IN JULY

23/089. To decide on a date for next years Party in the Park.
RESOLVED – THAT PARTY IN THE PARK WILL BE HELD ON 27 JULY 2024

23/090. To decide on whether to renew the domain name woottonwici.com
RESOLVED – THAT THE PARISH COUNCIL WILL NOT RENEW THE DOMAIN NAME WOOTTONWICI.COM

23/091. To complete and sign the conflict of interest with BDO LLP.
RESOLVED – THAT THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST WAS COMPLETED AND THERE ARE NO CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

23/092. To discuss and decide on Public Bike Share and E-Scooter Bay at Brannon Way.

RESOLVED – THAT THE PARISH COUNCIL WILL ALLOW A BAY NEXT TO THE EXISTING BIKE PARKING STAND

5. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

To comment on the following applications:

23/093. 23/00444/HOU

47 Lushington Hill, Wootton Bridge PO33 4NT

Proposed single storey rear extension with balcony area.

RESOLVED – THAT THE PARISH COUNCIL HAS NO OBJECTIONS TO PLANNING APPLICATION 23/00444/HOU.

23/00713/FUL

12 Station Road, Wootton Bridge PO33 4QU

Demolition of garage; proposed dwelling with parking and alterations to vehicular access; formation of new vehicular access and parking area for existing dwelling.

RESOLVED – THAT THE PARISH COUNCIL OBJECTS TO PLANNING APPLICATION 23/00713/FUL DUE TO THE ACCESS TO THE PROPERTIES AS HIGHLIGHTED BY ISLAND ROADS.

23/00946/ADV

Harwoods, High Street, Wootton Bridge PO33 4RD

Sign 1: replacement Renault Emblem – illuminated; Sign 2: New Dacia Fascia Sign – illuminated; Sign 3 new multi-brand double sided projecting sign – illuminated; Sign 4: 1 set of 3 flagpoles with flags

RESOLVED – THAT THE PARISH COUNCIL HAS NO OBJECTIONS TO PLANNING APPLICATION 23/00946/ADV.

23/094. Decisions made by the Isle of Wight Council

23/00612/HOU – Approved – 9 Church Road. Wootton Bridge PO33 4PT

23/00242/FUL – Refused – 37 – 39 High street, Wootton Bridge PO33 4LU

23/00696/HOU – Approved – orchard Court, Woodside Road, Wootton Bridge, PO33 4JR

23/095. Tree Preservation Orders

None

23/096. Appeal

None

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

23/097. Report by local member.

Councilor D Pitcher did not provide a report for the meeting.

7. ACCOUNTS

23/098. To consider and approve the accounts for payment.

Members were presented with the accounts for payment for June

RESOLVED – THAT THE ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT FOR JUNE TOTALLING £6431.10. A COPY OF WHICH FORMS APPENDIX A OF THESE MINUTES, BE PAID.

8. MATTERS RAISED BY COUNCILLORS

23/099. Councillor Hailstone asked all councillors to respond to emails that require a response in a timely matter. He also asked that the formality “through you chair” be used.

Councillor Hailstone expressed that he would like the Parish Council to consider a 20mph speed limit on all side roads through the village. Could this be discussed at the next meeting. Vandalism through the village was also mentioned and that victims need to contact the police to report it. Councillor L Pitcher stated she had received a survey from the police about vandalism.

Councillor L Pitcher attended the latest meeting of the St Edmunds Trust, and she is now the treasurer. There will be a fund-raising event on the 24 June 2023.

Councillor Burley asked if there was an update on the path from the High Street to Downsview Gardens. The clerk stated it had been reported.

Councillor Lemon mentioned about inconsiderate driving and speeding on the unmade roads in the village by Isle of Wight Distribution vans and asked that the chairman send a letter highlighting the issues to IW Distribution.

Councillor Evans asked if there was any progress on the Church Close Community Centre. Councillor L Pitcher stated there wasn't at present. Councillor Evans also mentioned about bags of rubbish being placed on the top of the bins in front of Brannons.

Councillor Abraham mentioned that the path from New Road to the Sloop was overgrown. The clerk stated she would report it to Island Roads

There being no further business to discuss the meeting closed at 8.43 p.m.

Signed

Date

WOOTTON BRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL
Payments for Approval at Meeting on 20 June 2023

June 2023

Chris Attrill - Window Cleaner May		£	19.00
Island Cleaning Solutions - Public Toilets Cleaning May		£	884.83
Clearview Cleaning - Parish Square May		£	112.50
Isle of Wight Council - Annual Fee Licensing		£	70.00
Community Action Isle of Wight - PO Apr - Sept		£	500.00
Biffa - removal and empty		£	0.42
J A Dempsey - Gravel Pit Road (paid by residents)		£	600.00
Suregreen Ltd - Steel Fencing Stakes		£	46.98
ICO - Data Protection		£	35.00
HALC		£	732.46
HP Instant Ink - Printer Ink	DD	£	9.99
Sage Payroll	DD	£	8.40
Business Stream - HIC Water Monthly	DD	£	3.00
Wightfibre - HIC Phone & Broadband	DD	£	44.75
Eon - Office Credit Note Mar 21 to June 23		-£	3,576.19
Eon - Office 15 Dec 20 to 29 Mar 23		£	3,340.87
Eon - Office 1 Mar 23 to 31 May 23	DD	£	296.42
Eon - Toilets 1 Mar 23 to 31 May 23	DD	£	107.29
Salaries as Minute E49,E50&E52	SO	£	2,189.73
IWC Pension Conts		£	708.06
HMRC - Tax & NI		£	297.59
TOTAL		£	6,431.10