

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF WOOTTON BRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 15 APRIL 2025 AT 7.00 PM IN THE OLD SCHOOL, NEW ROAD, WOOTTON BRIDGE.

Present Councillor Barry Abraham – Chair
 Councillor Sarah Redrup – Vice-Chair
 Councillors Trish Evans, Lee Lemon, Linda Pitcher, Jonathan Smith and Steve Porter

Also present 4 Members of the Public
 1 Member of the press
 Lorna Morey – Assistant Parish Clerk

Items raised in the Open Forum: None

1. ABSENCE

25/041. Councillor Tyler – apology received.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

25/042. None

3. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 18 MARCH 2025

25/043. RESOLVED – THAT THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 18 MARCH 2025 WERE APPROVED AND DULY SIGNED.

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

25/044. To discuss the play park at Wootton Recreation Ground

Councillor Redrup and Councillor Smith provided a detailed report (Appendix B) They suggested a clean-up weekend to sort minor repairs and then the long-term goals will be to replace the equipment and install toilets at the Recreation Ground. A combination of avenues might be needed such as a grant, loan and using some Reserves.

RESOLVED - COUNCILLORS REDRUP AND SMITH WILL INVESTIGATE FURTHER AND REPORT BACK.

25/045. To discuss VE/VJ Celebrations

RESOLVED - THAT THE PARISH COUNCIL WILL DONATE £400 TOWARDS THE VE/VJ CELEBRATIONS

5. PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

To comment on the following applications:

25/046.

25/00453/CLEUD – 11 April 2025

Blackthorn Hollow, Lower Woodside Road, Wootton Bridge PO33 4JT

Lawful Development Certificate for retention of timber pole barn

RESOLVED – THAT THE PARISH COUNCIL HAS NO OBJECTIONS TO PLANNING APPLICATION 25/00453/CLEUD

25/00451/CLEUD

Park Lodge, Lower Woodside Road, Wootton Bridge PO33 4JH

Lawful Development Certificate to establish legal commencement of permission 21/01070/FUL (proposed replacement dwelling)

RESOLVED – THAT THE PARISH COUNCIL HAS NO OBJECTIONS TO PLANNING APPLICATION 25/00451/CLEUD AS WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE CONDITIONS HAVE BEEN MET AND APPROVED

25/00331/HOU

1 Palmers Road, Wootton bridge PO33 4NA

Demolition of conservatories; proposed single storey extensions on south and north elevations; alterations to include cladding; demolition of west elevation first floor gable end; proposed west elevation first floor gable end extension

RESOLVED – THAT THE PARISH COUNCIL HAS NO OBJECTIONS TO PLANNING APPLICATION 25/00331/HOU

25/00253/FUL

Land Adjacent 115 Station Road, Wootton Bridge

Construction of 9 dwellings to include formation of vehicular access and associated landscaping

RESOLVED – THAT THE PARISH COUNCIL HAS NO OBJECTIONS TO PLANNING APPLICATION 25/00253/FUL. WE ARE DISAPPOINTED THAT THERE IS NO PROVISION FOR 1 AND 2 BEDROOM ACCOMMODATION WHICH IS BADLY NEEDED IN WOOTTON, AS EVIDENCED BY OUR 2018 HOUSING NEEDS SURVEY. NONE HAS BEEN BUILT SINCE THE SURVEY WAS UNDERTAKEN

25/00299/HOU

3 Glendale Close, Wootton Bridge PO33 4RF

Proposed extension at first floor level with balcony on west elevation

RESOLVED – THAT THE PARISH COUNCIL HAS NO OBJECTIONS TO PLANNING APPLICATION 25/00299/HOU PROVIDING THERE IS NO OVERLOOKING OF THE NEIGHBOUR'S PROPERTY OR THEY PROVIDE SCREENING IF NECESSARY

25/047. Decisions made by the Isle of Wight Council

25/00084/HOU – Approved - 25 Rectory Drive, Wootton, PO334QE

25/00232/RVC – Approved - Park Farm, Park Road, Wootton, PO334RL

25/048. Tree Preservation Orders

25/00545/TW Woodland North of Fernhill Woodland Burial Grounds – Approved - Laurel scattered throughout woodland - Cut off at ground level and inject with herbicide. Fallen oak (shown as yellow square on the location plan) - Remove. Oak fell down c 6 months ago in heavy winds and was made safe so as to not block the public footpath and now needs removing from the grass side so it can be maintained.

24/01644/TW Woodside Beach Cafe Lower Woodside Rd – Approved - T14; Ash (*Fraxinus excelsior*) - Reduce canopy by approximately 4-5m back to inner crown. T15; Ash (*Fraxinus excelsior*) - Fell. T16; Ash (*Fraxinus excelsior*) - Reduce crown by 4-5m back to inner crown.

25/049. Appeal

25/00008/REF 115 Station Road, Wootton, Ryde, Isle Of Wight, PO33 4RG

Variation of conditions 2 and 9 on P/00962/18 to allow alterations to layout and realignment of footpath

6. ACCOUNTS

25/050. To consider and approve the accounts for payment.

Members were presented with the accounts for payment for March

RESOLVED – THAT THE ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT FOR MARCH TOTALLING £8263.04, A COPY OF WHICH FORMS APPENDIX A OF THESE MINUTES, BE PAID.

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

25/050. Report from the Isle of Wight Council Local member.

Councillor Redrup did not provide a written report for the meeting as she had provided an annual report but welcomed any questions – none were raised.

8. MATTERS RAISED BY COUNCILLORS

25/051. Councillor Porter – advised the Parish Council to look at what East Cowes have done in their town and suggested we used some of our reserves or look into getting a business loan to carry out necessary improvements at the Recreation Ground.

Councillor Pitcher – suggested we invite the James Tuttielt Charitable Trust and Hampshire & Isle of Wight Wildlife Trust to the next meeting in relation to the Kings Quay Nature Reserve. She also gave a vote of thanks to Councillor Trish Evans, Councillor Steve Porter and Chair Barry Abraham for all their hard work over the years.

Councillor Redrup – asked for any comments in relation to the Premises Licence for Wootton Bridge Community Centre. It was agreed that we would like to note that the application does not state that there are gaming machines on site and detail how children will be protected from using them

She also mentioned that Councillor Ian Dore had requested a grant for the Armed Forces Day – the clerk will check if we have time to put it on the agenda for the May meeting.

There being no further business to discuss the meeting closed at 19.42 p.m.

Signed

Date