



NETTLESTONE AND SEAVIEW PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING (Draft)
held at St.Peter's Hall, Seaview on Monday 17th February 2020 at 7pm

PRESENT: Cllrs Barraclough (Chairman), Ward, Hardie, Elliott, Rivlin,
Colledge, Gauntlett, Tuson, Geernaert-Davies and Adams

The Chairman welcomed Members and Residents (10)
The Chairman then asked if there were any questions and comments from members of the public.
There were no comments.

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Chairman's Comments:

The Chairman welcomed Cllr. Geernaert-Davies to the Parish Council.

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Apologies for Absence:

All members were present.

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Declarations of Personal and Prejudicial Interest:

Cllr Colledge declared a personal interest in 19/01644/FUL.

Cllr Tuson declared an interest in the Cleaning Contract renewal.

Cllr(s) Hardie & Barraclough declared a personal interest in the Pier House Planning application.

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To Approve the Minutes of the PC meeting held on 20.01.20:

It was proposed by Ward Cllr Barry that in paragraph one (page 5) , the word 'if' in the sentence 'It was pointed out that there is still the potential for double yellow lines along Seaview Lane if Gibbwell Field development occurs and a car park is built on the land.' Should be changed to 'before'. This change was approved unanimously, the change was signed by the Chairman and then the minutes were approved unanimously by the members.

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Clerk's Report:

- On February 3rd it was confirmed that Councillor Bizzy Geernaert-Davies had been elected to the Parish Council.
- The IWC has confirmed the Parish's precept request. The grant amount for 2020-21 is being maintained at the same level as in 2019-20 at £31. The 'precept' will therefore be £85,397. The 2020-21 tax base has been set as £1,787.90, so the Band D tax for Nettlestone & Seaview will be £47.76
- A sink hole has re-appeared in Seaview Dell. The Dell has been closed to the Public until remedial work is completed. Local residents have reported that it is in the same place as a sink hole that has appeared in the past but is not as big on this occasion. Reynolds & Read have responded and will be coming to assess the site on Wednesday.
- The Clerk has begun the process of filling in paperwork to register the Parish Council as Biffa customers so a summer season bin can be formally requested. Cllr Hardie will provide the details of an alternative company to look into using as well.
- The Clerk attended a branch meeting of the SLCC (Society for Local Clerks) at Freshwater on January 23rd 2020. The most significant update is that the Bembridge Clerks will be challenging the Monitoring Officer's approach to assessing two breaches of discipline amongst their members as they do not believe the processes were followed correctly.
- The Clerk has contacted Island Roads for up to date quotes for installing a Dog bin and two permanent anti-fouling signs on the Alleyway near Willow Tree Drive.

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- Since the last Parish Council meeting a few Nettlestone Green change of status questionnaires have been completed and returned to the Clerk. The Clerk places his thanks on record to those residents for taking the time to do this. The Clerk will seek questionnaires until March and then submit the application.
- Brighstone Landscaping Ltd. have successfully completed the work at Ansell's Copse identified in the Tree report.

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- 20/07/04 – The Clerk has requested that Island Roads carry out a traffic survey around the Nettlestone Green area. Island roads have added it to their list of requests. A resident queried why this survey has been requested. The Clerk explained that he had been asked to do this in relation to the School crossing patrol officer resigning.

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- 20/11 – The Clerk contacted the IWC planning department to enquire about accessing the S106 Wish List. Currently, this has not been put in place, but they are happy to accept spreadsheets etc. with items on, as and when Parish Councils produce them.

- 20/12 – In response to the Parish Council writing to the returning officer, the Seagrove Pavilion has been replaced as the Parish's Election station by St.Peter's Church Undercroft.

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- 20/13 – The remedial work identified in the Electrical Inspection has been completed and an updated report (showing that the facilities are now adequate) should be issued shortly.

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- 20/17 – The Beach Award applications have been submitted. We await their decisions.

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- 20/20 – The Clerk requested that Island Roads consider placing an additional street light in Seafeld Terrace. Island Roads consulted with the IWC and we have been informed that there is not budget for this.

20/26

Planning:

20/26/01: Delegated decisions, as per the list circulated, were noted.

20/26/02: The following applications were then considered:

- i. 19/01644/FUL: Land adjacent To Robin Hill, Seaview Lane, Seaview, PO34 5DG
Proposal: Demolition of garage and chalet; proposed dwelling
Comments by 14th February 2020

Resolved:

The members resolved to provide a neutral response to the application (with 8 in favour of the resolution and 1 abstention) on the grounds that they would prefer to see a proposal more in keeping with surrounding properties.

- ii. 19/01673/HOU: Lantern House, Pondwell Hill, Nettlestone, PO33 1PX
Proposal: Proposed alterations and extension at 1st floor level to existing garage to form study on ground floor with ensuite bedroom over; detached workshop; retention of extension.
Comments by 14th February 2020

Resolved:

The members resolved to object to the proposal on the grounds that a Tree Officer's report is not currently available to address the impact on the trees on-site.

- iii. 20/00047/ADV: McDonalds Ltd, Brading Road, Ryde, Isle Of Wight, PO33 1QG
Proposal: Proposed installation of 5 no. digital freestanding internally illuminated signs and 1 no. 15" digital booth screen

Comments by 21st February 2020

Resolved:

The members agreed that this application should be supported

- iv. 20/00061/FUL: Pier House, Pier Road, Seaview, PO34 5BN

Proposal: Works required to stabilise ground

Comments by 21st February 2020

Resolved:

The members voted to support this application as long as the recommendations of the Tree Report are followed, and local residents affected by the construction work are given due consideration.

20/26/03

Appeals:

There were no new appeals to note.

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Reports:

20/27/01: I.W.: Ward Cllr Barry explained that owing to a change in the way in which proportional representation (amongst political parties) determines which Councillors get to sit on which committees, he would no longer (after 11 years) get to sit on the IWC planning committee.

Cllr Barry also explained that he had been in communication with the IWC Highways Department about having a Chevron sign placed at the junction of Bullen Road near the former 'Made On The Isle of Wight' shop. The IWC has suggested that Cllr Barry ask the Parish Council to pay for the sign as they have no incidents on record. Cllr Barry explained he is not going to ask the Parish as he is aware that incidents have happened, including a recent incident where a car failed to spot the bend in the road and travelled through the hedge into the site of the former shop. Cllr Barraclough mentioned that the Parish had requested a change in speed limit on the road before. Cllr Tuson asked if Cllr Barry was aware of how long that stretch of road would be closed by Island Roads. Cllr Colledge explained he had taken an interest in the work and would be contacting Island Roads as he knew local residents had not been communicated with sufficiently.

20/27/02: N&SCP: Cllr Hardie explained that the recent AGM had been well attended. The main point to arise from it being that the partnership's Summer fete will merge with the St. Peter's Church fayre and run on Saturday the 15th August 2020 as a combined Parish fete.

20/27/03: Seagrove Pavilion Trust: Nothing to report this month.

20/27/04: Nettlestone Residents Association: A representative of the NRA explained that they had met with Bob Seely MP about the proposed

development at Gibbwell Field and Bob has suggested that they meet with the leadership team of the IWC and the heads of development and regeneration at the IWC to examine how the application came to be passed when it appears to be based on flawed information. Cllr Barraclough asked if the NRA had a website so that they could keep residents informed of their achievements. Cllr Adams explained that he has been actively involved with helping the NRA to challenge the application but that he is unsure that it will have the desired effect. Cllr Adams said he would like the Parish Council to focus on forming a consensus on developments going forward.

20/27/05: IWALC: Cllr Adams reported that he had been unable to attend the latest IWALC meeting (due to ill-health) but that he had attended the IWALC infrastructure workshop in January (along with Cllrs. Barraclough, Rivlin and Ward and the Clerk). Cllr Adams explained that Cllr Stewart (Head of IWC) expressed a desire to work more closely with Parish Councils and Ollie Boulter (Head planning officer) had expressed a desire for more development to get started on the Island so that S106 money could be used for Island based projects but Cllr Adams believes that Parish Councils should provide challenge and balance to that. Cllr Rivlin said that whilst the range of panel members at the workshop was impressive, it could have done with some tweaking to be even more effective.

20/27/06: Others: Men in Sheds have put in two bids for grants of £20,000 to help with development of their shed. A local resident asked if the Parish Council was a member of the CPRE (Campaign to Protect Rural England) as they can provide help with planning applications in the future. It was requested that becoming members of the CPRE was put on the Annual Parish Meeting agenda (if the PC is not already a member).

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The Building of Second Homes in The Parish:

The Clerk explained that - from the research he had performed - several Parish and Town Councils had been able to restrict the sale of new-build homes to only those residents who would use the home as their principal residence. The only mechanism that seemed to allow this was the use of a ratified 'Neighbourhood Plan'. As a result of this finding, the discussion continued with the next agenda item.

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Neighbourhood Plan:

The Clerk shared that St.Ives Town Council in Cornwall had gone through the steps of producing a Neighbourhood Plan – in 2016 - that stipulated new-build homes could only be sold to residents who were going to utilise them as their principal residence. As Neighbourhood Plans need to go through an independent vetting process before being subject to a referendum in the Parish, they become enforceable by the planning department (assuming they receive the backing of over 50% of residents who take part in the referendum). It is estimated that Neighbourhood Plans can take 18-24 months to complete and cost over £10000 to produce (this figure varies with the amount of professional services paid for). The Parish Councils that have

produced Neighbourhood Plans so far on the Isle of Wight have benefited greatly from professional planning help (whether paid for or provided voluntarily). Cllr Redpath (Woodstock Town Council) informed the members that Woodstock Town Council has engaged a professional organisation to work on their plan and that grants of £9000 are available to assist with the process. Cllr Barry suggested that the Parish might like to combine to share the cost with another Parish – such as St.Helen's. During the discussion, Cllr Adams expressed the view that he was not concerned about second homes so much as the preservation of green spaces and would like to explore the Plan's ability to protect them. The talk around planning prompted Cllr Gauntlett to request that suggestions for Section 106 money be sent to the Clerk for inclusion on the 106 wish list and that he would like to see the 106 working group meet as soon as possible.

Resolved:

The members resolved to form a Neighbourhood Plan 'investigative' Working Group. Cllr Adams agreed to Chair the group. Cllr Geernaert-Davies expressed an interest in being part of the Group and Cllr Adams will look to involve a group of appropriate individuals from the community to look into the feasibility of producing a Neighbourhood Plan for the Parish.

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IOW AONB & Biosphere Status:

Cllr Adams mentioned that he had read a report from Jo King (Hersey Nature Reserve representative) which had confirmed his concerns about the erosion of green spaces in the Parish. He believes the Neighbourhood Plan may provide a route to the preservation of this spaces. Cllr Rivlin brought to members' attention that St Helen's church has been awarded an Eco Gold award by A Roca for its environmental work. The vicar, Revd Alison Morley, is keen to work with any in the community who have similar ambitions. For instance, they offer regular 'refilling stations' of everyday items like shampoo and washing up liquid to reduce the need for plastic bottles in Seaview and St Helen's, among other initiatives.

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Nettlestone Green Crossing Patrol:

As the crossing patrol officer has left her position (at Nettlestone Green) the School has contacted Mark Downer at the IWC to express a desire to see a pelican crossing replace the current Zebra crossing. Cllr Hardie informed the members that the Friends of Nettlestone School had funds in place for a replacement officer but were struggling to find a replacement.

Resolved:

The members resolved that the Clerk should write to Mark Downer in support of obtaining a pelican/puffin crossing at Nettlestone Green.

20/32

Woodland Trust Trees:

Cllr Hardie proposed that the members should support the planting and maintenance of new trees to be provided by the Woodland Trust on Parish Council controlled land. A member of the N&S Community Partnership suggested that it would be good for the Parish to have more trees in general. Cllr Barry also suggested that some roads could be converted to Avenues with trees in the verges either side.

Resolved:

The members resolved, unanimously, to support the planting and maintenance of Woodland Trust Trees on Parish Council controlled Land.

20/33

Dinghy Park & Sophie Watson's Garden Leases :

The Clerk informed the members that since the last meeting, the Working Group had met and taken part in some productive analysis of the Solicitor's feedback on the leases. The Working Group had agreed with the changes the Solicitor had made to the IWC draft lease for SWG – which generally altered the balance of proof of financial insolvency in the Parish Council's favour and had asked the Solicitor to request an updated draft for the Parish Council to consider on that basis. The Working Group had also appreciated the Solicitor's advice that under the 1954 tenancy act, the Parish Council was within its rights to ask for a lease very similar to the existing 2005 published lease. It had been hoped that the IWC would have produced draft leases to reflect this for the Parish Council to consider but instead some challenges in response to this have arisen and the Solicitor awaits the Working Groups feedback on how to respond. The Working Group members will feedback to the Solicitor via the Clerk. The Solicitor had advised though, that under the 1954 Tenancy Act, the Parish Council can continue to remain tenants of the Dinghy Park on an ongoing basis which affords the Members time to consider the updated draft lease when it does get finally released by the IWC. The Clerk explained that last years rise in Dinghy Park fees has increased the income at the Dinghy park by approximately £1000 which will be used towards refurbishing the fence in the coming months. It was proposed that the fees should remain the same for the upcoming season 2020/21 - £110 annual Dinghy Permit, £80 for a seasonal Dinghy Permit and £50 per Kayak per annum.

Resolved:

The members resolved to keep the fees at the Dinghy Park at the same level for 2020/21.

20/34

Public Convenience Cleaning Contract:

The Clerk informed the members that the 3 month trial period for Clean Wight Cleaning's services at Puckpool Park and Seagrove Bay would expire on the 18th February. The Environment Officer has been extremely satisfied with the

service being carried out with all health checks being passed as a regular occurrence. The Clerk and EO have been impressed by CWC's responsiveness to requests too with the EO mentioning that (for some time, preceding CWC's tenure) an extra sanitary bin was required for Puckpool Park this week and within two days it was arranged by CWC.

Resolved:

The members resolved (8 in favour, 1 abstention) to approve Clean Wight Cleaning to continue with the remaining nine months of their initial 12 month contract.

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IWALC Membership 2020/21.:

The annual subscriptions for IWALC (£783.34) are now due and the Members had declared a desire to review the membership after re-joining last year. Cllr Adams expressed his belief that it had been helpful in keeping the PC informed of IOW issues and Cllr Ward said that he felt it was more IOW focused than HALC had been.

Resolved:

The members unanimously resolved to renew the subscription to IWALC for 2020/21.

20/36

Annual Parish and Monthly Full Parish Meeting in March 2020.

Councillor Barraclough proposed that the Annual Parish Meeting and Parish Council meetings due to be held on the 16th March 2020 (from 6.30pm onwards) should move from St.Peter's Church Hall to the Masonic Hall as it can accommodate greater numbers.

Resolved:

The members resolved unanimously to move the location of the Annual Parish Meeting and March Parish Council meeting from St.Peter's church hall to the Masonic Hall – subject to availability.

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VE Day May 2020:

Cllr Barraclough informed the members that currently, the Parish Council had no plans to mark the 75th Anniversary of VE day on May 8th. Cllr Colledge will check what the Royal British Legion are doing locally and report back. Cllr Rivlin explained that St.Peter's Church are planning on doing something to mark the day. Cllr Hardie said that the N&S Community Partnership want to mark the day too. Cllr Elliot informed everyone that the Fun Choir will perform a rendition of We'll meet again on the day. Cllr Hardie will coordinate with the church on behalf of the N&S Community Partnership to ensure events run in harmony.

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Correspondence:

20/38/01: The following items were circulated:

IOW Council – Tree works orders were received:

- Pondwell Residential Site, Pondwell Hill. – refused.
- Land adjacent to Seagrove House, Seagrove Manor Road. TPO approved.

IWC – Telecoms cabinet planning breach – no response from VF

Rosemary Cantwell – A file of documents regarding the Gibbwell Field development.

Commons Registration Act – Nettlestone Green ownership by IWC - confirmation.

Environment Agency – Notice of works at Pump House in Springvale road.

Island Roads – Confirmation that no budget is available for street lighting in Seafeld Terrace.

20/38/02: The following items were reported:

Planning Inspectorate – Appeal APP/P2114/W/19/3234483 – Self-catering cottages, Salterns Road - dismissed.

Island Roads – Notification of bin collection charges rising.

The Adams Family – A letter requesting clarification of agenda item 20/10

The Adams Family – A reply letter explaining the complex legal issues being faced by them in dealings with their bank and the local authority.

Isle Of Wight Music, Dance & Drama Festival – A thank you letter for the PC's grant and a pair of tickets for the festival.

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Finances:

20/39/01: The following receipts were noted: -

The Clerk circulated a report of the schedule of receipts up to 17-02-2020. There were no questions or comments. Attached to these minutes as Appendix A

20/39/02: The following payments were approved: -

The Clerk circulated a report of the schedule of payments up to 17-02-2020. There were no questions or comments. Attached to these minutes as Appendix A

20/39/03: Grant Applications: -

There were no Grant applications.

20/39/04: To receive an Income / Expenditure report to 31st January 2020:

The Clerk circulated the above report to members. There were no questions and the report was noted.

20/40

Information and Report:

The Clerk informed the members that a request to sign a new Partnership Agreement with the IWC for the maintenance of Seaview Recreation Ground had just been received. The scope appears to have increased from five years

previously – The Clerk agreed to get quotes for increasing work to take in the new scope for the next meeting.

Cllr Tuson asked if Cllr Dave Stewart could be invited to speak to the Parish at a future meeting – the Clerk will extend an invite. Cllr Elliot asked if the Clerk could check with Island Roads for an idea of when Steyne Road would be resurfaced.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared closed at 9.27pm.

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Chairman
16th March 2020