

NETTLESTONE AND SEAVIEW PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING (Draft)
held Online on Tuesday 29th September 2020 at 6.00pm

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

The Chairman welcomed Members and Residents (8)

EM/20/1: Apologies for Absence:

Cllr Rivlin was away and Cllr Tuson was at work.

EM/20/2: Declaration of Interests:

Cllr Elliott declared a personal interest in Agenda Item EM/20/3.

EM/20/3: To discuss the Parish Council sending a FOI request to the IWC planning department with regards to the potential development of the land between Solent View Road and Seagrove Farm Road.

Cllr Elliott began by mentioning that the Isle of Wight Council (IWC) Ward Cllr Reg Barry had forwarded an email from the IWC since the Parish Council Meeting held on the 21st September and it contained a description of the intended development of the land. Cllr Elliott then asked the members if, in light of this email they still felt a Freedom of Information request to the IWC planning department would still be beneficial. A discussion followed that revolved around members' distress at trees being felled on the site. The chairman reminded members that they could only discuss the resolution in the context of the agenda for the EPCM.

Resolved:

The members resolved – unanimously - that the clerk should send a FOI request to the Isle of Wight Council that included historical and current correspondence regarding development for this parcel of land.

EM/20/4: To consider and agree the council writing a letter in support of an RDPE grant application for Warren's Boat Yard in response to questions raised by the Parish Council.

Cllr Adams explained that he felt that the application booklet and supporting email from Warren's Boat Yard did not provide enough information to be able to support the application. Cllr Geernaert-Davies confirmed that the members had only received the booklet and email and no illustration of how jobs could be created by the grant being awarded which was not as much information as hoped for.

Cllr Ward said that he had been in a similar position to the boat yard himself in the past and that the RDPE would require more information - such as their financial position but that this would not be suitable information to publicly share with the parish

at large and as they were not asking the parish council for a grant, the parish council did not need to see those details. Cllr Adams agreed about the need to see financial information and said that he did not expect details about their accounts but more explanation about the way in which jobs would be created.

Cllr Ward explained that the RDPE would scrutinise their financial position and projections in great detail before awarding a grant so the grant application would only be successful if they could provide this level of detail to the grant awarding body (the RDPE) and that he felt it was appropriate to help support local businesses if their success could create local jobs. Cllrs Colledge and Hardie agreed with this sentiment.

Resolved:

The members resolved – with four supporting, one against and one abstention - that the parish council would write a letter in support of RDPE grant application for Warren’s Boat Yard.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared closed at 6.31pm.

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Chairman
19th October 2020