



NETTLESTONE AND SEAVIEW PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING (Draft)
held online (via a Zoom meeting) on Monday 19th October 2020 at 7pm

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

The Chairman welcomed Members (8) and Residents (7)

Prior to the commencement of the meeting, the Chairman asked if there were any questions and comments from members of the public.

There were none.

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Chairman's Comments:

No comments.

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Apologies for Absence:

All members were present.

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Declarations of Personal and Prejudicial Interest:

Cllr Elliott declared an interest in the grant request from the NaShers. Cllr Rivlin and Cllr Hardie declared an interest in 20/01627/FUL and Cllr Rivlin also expressed an interest in 20/01559/CLEUD.

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To Approve the Minutes of previous PC meetings:

20/145/01 Cllr Adams proposed to approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 21st September 2020, Cllr Ward seconded the motion and the minutes were approved with six members voting in favour and two abstentions.

20/145/02 Cllr Elliott proposed to approve the minutes of the extraordinary Parish Council meeting held on the 29th September 2020, Cllr Geernaert-Davies seconded the motion and the minutes were approved with six members voting in favour and two abstentions.

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Clerk's Report:

- Two notices of Appeal have been received as correspondence from the Planning Inspectorate. The first was with regards to the proposed extension and alterations to Zephyr Cottage in West Street and the appeal was allowed so they now have permission to undertake the work, which the parish council had supported in October 2019. The second was for Anchor Cottage, Seafield Road and was specifically about the front dormers which the Isle of Wight Council had refused permission for but on this occasion their appeal was dismissed. Again, the parish council had supported the application last year.
- At the last meeting a member of the public asked if Nettlestone School Governors had replied to the letter from the council. The Clerk of the Governors has informed the Clerk that David Bottell is preparing a response.
- A crack has appeared in one of the boundary walls at the Kerry Fields Play Area. Despite two builders already having assessed it and concluded that it is stable and would require considerable force to knock down, the IWC Environment Officer visited this afternoon and has indicated that they can move the wall when they push it so the play area has been locked and signs put up to explain why. Once it has been repaired, it will be re-opened. Cllr Ward indicated that he believed the Clerk should contact Vectis Housing Association to challenge the assumption that the Parish Council is responsible for the wall as it was built as part of the Kerry Fields development.

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- 20/129 – The returning officer for the Isle of Wight Council sent an updated parish boundary map to the Clerk and it has been shared with members.
- 20/131 – A letter has been sent to the Isle of Wight Council planning enforcement team with regards to the planning conditions that were identified and to date, we await a response.

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- 20/135 – With regards to the safety report for the Kerry Fields Play area, the most pressing issue has been the lack of a general 'safety' notice and has been flagged by the Environment Officer as well. With the assistance of the Isle of Wight Council, appropriate wording has been put together and the A3 sized weatherproof sign will be produced and installed on a post by The Sign Company Ltd at a cost of £230 +VAT.

The Clerk will be on annual leave for the last week of October.

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Planning:

20/147 /01: Delegated decisions, as per the list circulated, were noted.

20/147 /02: The following applications were then considered:

- 20/01442/HOU: 1 Gibbs Cottages, Nettlestone Hill, Seaview, PO34 5DP

Proposal: Proposed single storey rear extension.
Comments by 16.10.20

Resolved:

The Parish Council voted to Support the application.

- 20/01559/CLEUD: The Surprise, High Street, Seaview, PO34 5EX

Proposal: Lawful Development Certificate for confirmation of commencement of planning application P/01362/15 for demolition of the existing shed and clearing away, for regrading of levels as per planning consent, laying membrane, shingle and concrete base for temporary storage.
Comments by 30.10.20

Resolved:

The Parish Council voted to support the application.

- 20/01565/ADV: Tesco Stores Ltd, Brading Road, Ryde, Isle of Wight, PO33 1QS

Proposal: Installation of 1 x 42 LCD media screen and 3 x 1250mm x 700mm flag pole signs.
Comments by 30.10.20

Resolved:

The Parish Council voted to support the application.

- 20/01579/RVC: Westridge Skip Hire Ltd, Bullen Road, Nettlestone, PO33 1QH

Proposal: Variation of condition 5 on P/00571/15 to amend entrance details onto Bullen Road/Swaylands Close junction.
Comments by 30.10.20

Resolved:

The Parish Council voted to object on the grounds that it is an unsuitable point in the road to introduce a junction into a site where large vehicles (including emergency vehicles) will need to pull across the traffic with a dip in the road hindering visibility.

- 20/01597/HOU: Westfield, The Close, Nettlestone, PO34 5BT

Proposal: Proposed side extensions to lower ground, ground and first floor levels; alterations to include recessed balcony; alterations and extensions to roof structure to include dormer windows.

Comments by 30.10.20

Resolved:

The Parish Council voted to Support the application.

- 20/01472/HOU: Plot 3 Park Farm, Bullen Road, Nettlestone, PO33 1QE

Proposal: Proposed first floor extension; balcony on north east elevation; cladding.

Comments by 6.11.20

Resolved:

The Parish Council voted to Support the application.

- 20/01473/LBC: Plot 3 Park Farm, Bullen Road, Nettlestone, PO33 1QE

Proposal: Listed building consent for Proposed first floor extension; balcony on north east elevation; cladding.

Comments by 6.11.20

Resolved:

The Parish Council voted to Support the application.

- 20/01509/RVC: 2 Pond Lane, Seaview, PO34 5AF

Proposal: Variation of condition no. 2 on 20/00759/HOU to allow amendments to approved scheme.

Comments by 6.11.20

Resolved:

The Parish Council voted to Support the application.

- 20/01582/HOU: 45 Orchard Road, Nettlestone, PO34 5JN

Proposal: Proposed alterations/extension to loft to form additional living accommodation and alterations to conservatory.

Comments by 6.11.20

Resolved:

The Parish Council voted to Support the application.

- 20/01627/FUL: Flat 1 Belvoir, High Street, Seaview, PO34 5ES

Proposal: Change of use of ground floor residential unit to ancillary retail and storage floorspace.
Comments by 6.11.20

Resolved:

The Parish Council voted to Support the application.

- 20/01630/HOU: 1 West Bank, Gully Road, Nettlestone, PO34 5BZ

Proposal: Demolition of existing outbuilding; Proposed single storey rear extension forming utility and shower room.
Comments by 6.11.20

Resolved:

The Parish Council voted to Support the application.

- 20/01632/HOU: Sandlands Cottage, Steyne Road, Seaview, Isle of Wight, PO34 5BH

Proposal: Alterations to dwelling and access including a dormer window in the rear facing roof plane; demolition of existing garage/garden store and office buildings and construction of garage and guest accommodation.
Comments by 6.11.20

Resolved:

The Parish Council voted to Support the application.

- 20/01633/LBC: Sandlands Cottage, Steyne Road, Seaview, Isle of Wight, PO34 5BH

Proposal: Listed building consent for alterations to dwelling and access including a dormer window in the rear facing roof plane; demolition of existing garage/garden store and office buildings and construction of garage and guest accommodation.
Comments by 6.11.20

Resolved:

The Parish Council voted to Support the application.

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Appeals:

No new appeals have been lodged.

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Reports:

20/148/01: I.W.C Ward Cllr: Cllr Barry reminded the members that he had previously been asked by the IWC Highways team to approach the Parish Council with regards to paying for a chevron sign on Bullen Road but that he had made a point of not doing that as he believes the IWC agreement with

Island Roads should provide it. The overall cost of the installation and maintenance of the sign will be £1428. Cllr Barry was able to report that a works order has been raised and Island Roads will install the signs at no cost to the parish council.

The members thanked Cllr Barry for all of his work in securing the placement of the chevron signs as there have been accidents on that stretch of road several times.

Cllr Barry has obtained a Remembrance Day wreath on behalf of the Parish Council, for which the Parish Council will discuss making a contribution to the Royal British Legion – 20/151). It is uncertain what the exact nature of the Remembrance service will be this year but Cllr Hardie indicated that she would be liaising with Rev'd Morley and would keep the Chairman of the parish council informed about any developments.

20/148/02: N&SCP: Cllr Hardie invited Lynn Stack to give the members an update on the Nettlestone and Seaview Shed's (NaShers) progress with fundraising for a physical building to operate from. The NaShers have made good progress with their fundraising – including a £1000 grant from the Isle of Wight Sheriff's fund. They have submitted a grant application to the Parish Council (see item 20/158/03) and continue to submit applications to multiple relevant organisations.

20/148/03: Seagrove Pavilion Trust: Nothing to report this month.

20/148/04: Nettlestone Residents Association: Nothing to report this month.

20/148/05: IWALC: Cllr Adams reported that IWALC have put their AGM back again due to COVID19 and will now be a virtual meeting. Cllr Adams thanked Cllr Ward for helping by volunteering to attend an IWALC meeting and said he welcomed any offers of assistance from other members.

20/148/06: Others: N/A.

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Public Convenience Cleaning Contract:

Cllr Elliott asked members to consider the upcoming renewal of the public convenience cleaning contract with the current supplier – Clean Wight Cleaning (CWC). He said that he had received extremely positive feedback from the public and the Clerk about CWC and that as he regularly passed the facilities, he could see for himself that they were being kept to a high standard. The Clerk confirmed that the Environment Officer was also extremely pleased with CWC's continued proficiency.

There was an option to renew on a yearly basis, with a 5.45% increase in the base cost per month (currently £902.14) or to agree to a three year extension (much like the grounds contract with Brighstone Landscaping) which would attract a lower increase of 2.4%. The increases are due to cleaning products and PPE becoming more expensive since CV19 and the long term contract allows CWC to buy in larger quantities, which reduces the cost to them. Cllr Ward explained that LTA's (long term agreements) like the three year proposal

were a common practise in the finance industry and offered benefits to both parties. Cllr Adams said that he felt the increase was not unreasonable.

Resolved:

Cllr Hardie proposed that the members should approve the renewal in line with the three year terms and Cllr Ward seconded the motion. The members then resolved to support the motion.

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Seaview Dinghy Park:

The Clerk explained that although two more companies had surveyed the dinghy park – in order to provide a quote for replacing the fence – they had not been able to return quotes yet as CV19 has affected the supply of concrete posts. Once they have been able to complete their quotes, the item will be reviewed at the next available full council meeting. Cllr Colledge indicated that he knew someone who may be able to fabricate some posts so would investigate it further and report back.

20/151

Remembrance Wreath:

Cllr Adams proposed that the Parish Council should make a donation of £150 to the Royal British Legion (RBL) in return for being supplied with a wreath to lay on the upcoming Remembrance Day. Cllr Geernaert-Davies seconded the motion.

Resolved:

The members resolved – unanimously - to donate £150 to the RBL.

20/152

Festive Lights:

The Clerk explained that £3000 had been budgeted by the members to pay for the storage of the council's existing illuminations, rental of some more lights (used on the trees in Sophie Watson's Garden (SWG) and St Peter's Church), the deployment of those lights and to potentially purchase further lights. NDLE – the company who store and erect the council's lights – have suggested moving the 8m LED tree from Nettlestone Green to Sophie Watson's Garden as it was extremely exposed to harsh weather conditions on the green last year and was damaged. In an ideal world, the illuminations should have a lifespan of about five years seasonal use. NDLE had investigated alternative attractions for the green that might be better suited to its location but had found that most centrepieces had doubled in price in the last twelve months, due to COVID-19. NDLE suggested fabricating a frame with lights hanging from it that people could stand in and have pictures taken. NDLE indicated that they could illuminate the trees at SWG, illuminate the trees at the church, erect the LED tree at SWG, provide lights at the small green in Eddington Road and fabricate the illuminated arch on Nettlestone Green for £3000. The members were in favour of all the elements except the arch and felt that some lighting of the trees on the green would more suitable. Lynn Stack (N&SCP) informed members that the community partnership is exploring different avenues for distributing trees and lights around the parish this year (the trees that they have had in pots until

now have become too large to remain potted) but that potentially NaShers could produce a wooden tree for Eddington Road and it could be lit with some of the partnerships lights – discussions are ongoing. Due to the current financial situation, NDLE require payment at the point of ordering before undertaking any work/purchases so Cllr Hardie proposed that the Clerk be delegated the authority to spend up to £3000 - after consulting with at least two members - on festive lighting costs. Cllr Elliott seconded the motion.

Resolved:

The members resolved to support the motion.

20/153

Eddington Road:

Cllr Ward and the Clerk have been following up with Paul Thomas – Assistant Director for Regeneration IWC – as instructed by the members with regards to the potential development on Isle of Wight Council land in Eddington Road. The land has been put out for expressions of interest by the Isle of Wight Council and they are awaiting responses. Cllr Adams requested that the council remind the IWC that they should be taking residents concerns and the community's best interests into account – i.e. any housing should be affordable. Cllr Barry pointed out that the plan previously produced in conjunction with Vectis Housing Association met with local approval and was frustrated that it had not been actioned to date.

Resolved:

The Clerk will write to the IWC – with Cllr Ward's assistance – on behalf of the Parish Council to remind them of the council's concerns over the land.

20/154

Public Bins:

Residents have contacted the council to say that they believe that excessive takeaway rubbish from the Old Fort is causing an issue with the bins on the Esplanade in Seaview. It was pointed out that some of the takeaway cups may be from Lily's coffee shop too and that this has very much been as a result of the unusual circumstances presented by COVID-19 guidelines. Cllr Hardie said she would have a polite word with the owners of The Old Fort and Lily's to see what could be done.

20/155

Gregory Avenue:

Cllr Adams had been contacted by a resident who was concerned about the number of cyclists using the pavement in Gregory Avenue. Gregory Avenue is part of the official 'Visit Isle of Wight' cycle path but has large sleeping policemen all the way down so cyclists often divert onto the pathway to avoid them. A resident explained that the route had been in place for almost three decades and was chosen as part of the Randonnée route as at the time Pondwell Hill was perceived to be too dangerous – with poor visibility and not even a footpath at the time.

Resolved:

The Clerk will write to the IWC to enquire whether the signs are supposed to route cyclists down the avenue, if they are, were the IWC aware of the sleeping policemen and can something now be done to re-route the cyclists down Pondwell Hill.

20/156**IWALC Communication with IOW Council:**

Cllr Adams has been contacted by residents who feel that the IWC are not being transparent with their decision making and that for major developments on the Isle of Wight, there is an element of predetermination which leads to those residents feeling disenfranchised from democratic processes. One of the residents has been frustrated in their attempts to obtain information about the West Acre Farm development – under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI). A resident present explained that they had experienced a similar situation on behalf of the NVRA and Eddington Road and the IWC had indicated that a response would cost over £450 so they did not have to respond – this led to a feeling of anger that the democratic process was not being followed. Cllr Rivlin observed that from research she had performed, the parish was one of only three on the IOW not included in the definition of the IOW Area Of Outstanding Beauty so perhaps this was related to why so many developments seem to be concentrated in it. Cllr Adams has been in touch with other IWALC members who have indicated similar frustrations at the perceived lack of transparency and would like the council to work with IWALC to challenge the IWC. Cllr Adams asked for the item to be put onto the next month's agenda – to allow him time to produce a motion for the members to consider and vote on.

20/157**Correspondence:****20/157/01: The following items were circulated:**

Mr & Mrs Sharp – A letter regarding the removal of the disabled bay in the Esplanade in Seaview. Ward Cllr Barry indicated that he is working towards instigating a Regulatory Bay for badge holders with set terms of use in the Esplanade as the space had been abused by someone using it as long term parking in the past.

Planning Inspectorate – Appeal Ref: APP/P2114/D/20/3245214, Anchor Cottage, Seafield Road, Seaview – appeal dismissed.

Planning Inspectorate – Appeal Ref: APP/P2114/D/20/3245820

Zephyr Cottage, West Street, Seaview – appeal allowed.

IWC – Tree Preservation Order enacted on the trees on the land between Solent View Road and Seagrove Farm Road (locally known as the Donkey Fields).

20/157/02: The following items were reported:

Nothing new was reported.

20/158**Finances:**

20/158/01: The following receipts were noted: -

The clerk circulated a report of the schedule of receipts up to 19-10-2020. There were no questions or comments. Attached to these minutes as Appendix A

20/158/02: The following payments were approved: -

The clerk circulated a report of the schedule of payments up to 19-10-2020. There were no questions or comments. Attached to these minutes as Appendix A

20/158/03: Grant Applications: -

There was an application from the Nettlestone and Seaview Men in Sheds (NaShers). Cllr Ward spoke highly of what the NaShers do for the community and the members agreed with this sentiment. The members resolved to award a grant of £2000 towards the construction of a dedicated shed for the NaShers.

20/158/04: To receive an Income / Expenditure report to 30th September 2020:

The clerk circulated the above report to members. There were no further question and the report was noted.

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Information and Report:

Cllr Rivlin said that she had been approached by residents who were not sure about Vic's Stores position on COVID-19 measures. The Clerk said that he would let the shop know of their concerns in person. Cllr Hardie mentioned damage to the handrail on the steps at the bottom of Seagrove Bay and the Clerk confirmed that Peter Marsden from the IWC Coastal Engineering Team was sourcing contractors to repair them. Cllr Hardie also mentioned that there is a sign in West Street that shows motorists not to turn right into the High street but it is on a post in a difficult to see position. The Clerk will report this to Island Roads. Cllr Colledge thanked Cllr Ward for his tremendous effort in completing his 4000 miles for £4000 cycle challenge for the Mountbatten Hospice. The Members joined in the acknowledgement and Cllr Ward was able to let everyone know that his total raised was now over £5500.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared closed at 9.16pm.

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Chairman

16th November 2020