



NETTLESTONE AND SEAVIEW PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING (Draft)
held online (via a Zoom meeting) on Monday 15th February 2021 at 7pm

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

The Chairman welcomed Members (7) and Residents (9)

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

A resident asked if the council would consider a parish tree survey and policy. Another resident reported the doors at Seagrove Bay public toilets being swollen and difficult to close, as well as one of the had washers not working. The Clerk explained that the electrics had tripped at the time of their visit and had been reset since and thanked them for notifying the council of the issue with the doors – this will be rectified shortly.

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Chairman's Comments:

N/A

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Apologies for Absence:

Cllr Geernaert-Davies sent her apologies.

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Declarations of Personal and Prejudicial Interest:

The members did not have any interests to declare.

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To Approve the Minutes of previous PC meeting held on the 18th January 2021:

The members voted to approve the minutes of the meeting held on the 18th January 2021.

21/21

Clerk's Report:

- In the first week of February, Clean Wight Cleaning reported the electrics tripping out at Seagrove Bay toilets. The electrics were reset and the cleaners issued with a key to the circuit box in case it happened in the future. CWC have observed a large amount of condensation forming throughout the toilet block this winter and opening windows is not clearing it – this will be kept under observation.
- This month, the play area in Eddington Road has suffered from particularly heavy rainfall and the Environment Officer recommended (inline with multiple play areas around the Island) a temporary closure on Health & Safety grounds until the site has started to drain. The EO is constantly monitoring and reporting back.
- In response to a request from a resident, the IWC were written to with regards to adopting the Supplementary Planning Document produced by the Parish Council in 2017. We received a response from a senior planning officer:
“...with our limited resources work on the Island Planning Strategy was the priority and that we would look at the SPD route once IWC's work on the Island Planning Strategy had reached a stage where officer time could be freed up to with it. We have not yet reached that point, and unfortunately we have also had to deal with a global pandemic in the meantime too.”
- In January, a resident reported that their dog had been poisoned after ingesting something whilst walking along Attrill's Lane. The resident (and their Vet) were concerned that an individual who had occasionally been sleeping in their car in that area may have been responsible for whatever was eaten by the dog. This was reported to the Environment Office who has reported back that multiple instances of dogs being poisoned all over the Island are being investigated by the Police and that the individual in the car is known to the authorities and is being investigated in relation to this. The resident has shared their warning on social media.

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- 21/07/02 – Seaview Rec. Trees – The Clerk has written to the IWC with regards to the Community Partnership planting trees at the recreation ground and the new Tree Officer 'Tony Gillingham' has been in touch to say he is happy to work with the partnership on this.

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- 21/07/06 – Eddington Road Q&A session for members with Leader of the IWC – The Clerk has been in touch with the Leader of the IWC and a Q&A session is scheduled for March 3rd at 5.30 PM – details are online. Questions will be discussed later in this meeting.
- 21/08 – Neighbourhood Plan – The Clerk and Cllr Adams have been in touch with the five parish councils on the Island that have accepted Neighbourhood plans and they have been offering advice going forward.

The IWC planning department have reached out with help and are supplying several large maps of the parish for the Working Group.

- 21/10 – Seaview Dinghy Park fence – following the last meeting, the Clerk got in touch with the contractors who had shown an interest in providing a quote against the refined specification and by the 1st February, the only company who had been able to come up with a quote that met the requirements was Richardson’s Carpentry and Building Services – they have accepted the offer to complete the work and have just indicated that they believe they will be able to start work in May.

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- 21/13 – The Beach Awards 2021 paperwork has been completed and submitted and we await news from the judging committee.

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- 21/16 – Seaview Hotel Toilets – the Clerk wrote to the IWC with regards to whether they would be providing alternative toilet facilities in the village during the Lockdown – they responded with the following:

“...the IWC are aware of the situation regarding the toilets and have decided not to pursue any action at this stage given the current pandemic, the closure of the hotel and the national lockdown and “stay at home” message. We will of course keep the matter under review. The IWC does not run toilet facilities and is not in a position to provide temporary facilities.”

21/22

Planning:

21/22/01: Delegated decisions, as per the list circulated, were noted.

21/22/02: The minutes of the Planning Sub-committee meeting held on the 4th of February 2021 were then approved.

21/22/03: The following application was then considered:

- 20/02180/RVC: Former Harcourt Sands Holiday Park, Puckpool Hill, Seaview, Isle Of Wight PO33 1PJ.

Proposal: Variation of condition 3 on P/00573/15 to allow alterations to road and plot layout.

Comments by 26.02.21

Resolved:

The Parish Council voted to Object to the application due to a lack of economic Development, with no delivery of tourist accommodation.

- 20/01883/HOU: Buccaneers And Alcantara, Fairy Road, Seaview, Isle Of Wight PO34 5HF.

Proposal: Demolition of outbuilding; proposed two storey side extension and alterations to include extension to dormer window

on side elevation; alterations to neighbouring property (Alcantara) to block up window opening.
Comments by 05.03.21

Resolved:

The Parish Council voted to Object to the application due to visual impact - not being in keeping with existing buildings and loss of parking.

- 21/00139/RVC: Seaspray, Duver Road, Seaview, Isle Of Wight PO34 5AJ.

Proposal: Variation of condition 2 on P/00500/14 to allow redesign and repositioning of garage(boat store).
Comments by 05.03.21

Resolved:

The Parish Council voted to Object to the application as, for a building that borders the Nature Reserve, it is out of scale and proportion, in contradiction of Island Core Strategies DM2 and DM12.

- 21/00159/HOU: 6 Sandcove Rise, Seaview, Isle Of Wight PO34 5AY.

Proposal: Proposed rear extensions; alterations to include balcony.
Comments by 05.03.21

Resolved:

The Parish Council voted to support the application.

21/22/04

Appeals:

There were no new appeals to note.

21/23

Reports:

21/23/01: I.W.C Ward Cllr: Cllr Barry shared a report (attached to these minutes as Appendix A) – prepared by officers at the Isle of Wight Council – that explains they are advising the IWC members to accept the offer from the Southern Housing Group for the development site in Eddington Road. Cllr Barry expressed his disappointment that the scheme was scaled for up to 100 affordable residential units (90 of mixed tenure and 10 as nursing units), when the parish has been in favour of a scheme featuring 40+ affordable residential units and a mixture of business premises. At the end of the report, the Chairman called an Extraordinary Parish Council for the following week to investigate declaring the site an ‘Asset of Community Value’.

21/23/02: N&SCP: Cllr Hardie reported that the tree planting project has attracted the attention of Countryfile who are interested in exploring the project further. The Men In Sheds have secured two further grants and are in a financial position to start work on constructing their shed in May.

21/23/03: Seagrove Pavilion Trust: Nothing to report this month.

21/23/04: Nettlestone Residents Association: Nothing to report this month.

21/23/05: IWALC: Cllr Adams informed the members that IWALC have promoted several grants available to community groups, including potential grants for Neighbourhood Plans. IWALC will also be running a meeting to explore COVID19 safety concerns with running the local elections in May.

21/23/06: Others: Cllr Rivlin has already initiated the 'Public Bin' audit of the parish with Cllr(s) Hardie and Geernaert-Davies. They have been focusing on areas where there are gaps in coverage and other areas that appear to have an abundance of bins too – they hope to bring a proposal for enhancing the current set of bins to the next meeting.

21/24

Post Office Closures:

Cllr Ward had attended an IWALC meeting where the Island's MP had also been present and the impact on rural communities of post office closures were discussed. A suggestion at the meeting had been that multiple parishes could join forces and fund a mobile post office that could travel to villages lacking a post office. Cllr Ward wished to raise this idea with members so they could consider whether this would be a benefit to the parish and bear it in mind for next year's budgetary planning if they wished to take it further.

21/25

Kerry Fields Play Area:

The Clerk shared information from a builder/surveyor that the trees in Kerry Fields Play Area could be contributing to underground movement in the Kerry Fields estate (as witnessed when the brick wall to the play area cracked) when they take up excessive amounts of water in drier periods. It has been suggested that trimming the trees nearest to the estate would help reduce this effect in the summer. The Parish Council's grounds maintenance contractor (Brighstone Landscaping Ltd) has quoted £1050 +VAT to complete all the work involved (including TPO paperwork, trimming and disposal of debris).

Resolved:

The members resolved to have the trees trimmed as per the quotation.

21/26

Seaview Dinghy Park:

The Clerk shared a financial projection with the members that showed by keeping the dinghy park fees at their current levels, the dinghy park should return a profit to the Parish Council over the lifetime of its fifteen year lease.

Resolved:

The members resolved to keep the 2021/22 fees at £110 for an annual permit, £80 for a seasonal permit and £50 for a kayak's annual permit.

21/27

IWALC:

The council's Membership of IWALC is due for renewal at a reduced fee of £580.94 – the 2020/21 fee was £793.09 but with fewer physical meetings being arranged due to COVID19, the association is adjusting the cost for 2021/22. Members commented on how useful the membership to IWALC appeared to be, especially with Cllr Adams acting as council representative.

Resolved:

The members resolved to renew IWALC membership for 2021/22.

21/28

Questions for the Leader of the Isle of Wight Council:

The Parish Council is scheduled to host a Q&A session - regarding the Eddington Road development - with the Leader of the IWC on March 3rd 2021. Cllr Ward had already forwarded questions to the Clerk that he would like answered by the Leader and other representatives of the IWC. Further questions will be confirmed at the Extraordinary Parish Council Meeting being held on the 23rd February 2021.

21/29

May 2021 Elections:

Cllr Adams expressed his concern that residents would be put off from taking part in the local elections in May due to the threat of COVID19. He proposed that the Clerk write to the IWC on the members' behalf requesting that the IWC send a postal voting form to all the eligible households in the parish.

Resolved:

The members carried Cllr Adams motion for the Clerk to request that the IWC sends a postal voting form to all eligible households in the parish.

21/30

Pier Road Tree Works:

The Chairman explained that a group of residents had commissioned a survey into the effect of the tree removals that have been taking place in Pier Road and the survey had indicated that the works had weakened the ground in the area known as the 'Donkey Field'. The amount of tree removals in the parish are causing concern so it is proposed that a 'Tree Working Group' is formed at next month's meeting.

21/31

Footpath R68:

The Chairman shared details of how the footpath leading from Solent View Road passed the Seagrove Dell has become badly eroded and is in need of repair. This had been raised with Island Roads previously but was described as off network by them.

Resolved:

The Clerk will write to the IWC 'Rights of Way' team requesting that they repair the pathway.

21/32Correspondence:21/32/01: The following items were circulated:

Hersey Nature Reserve – Notification that residents of Norman's Landing are going to apply for all year residency.

CO-OP – confirmation that they are talking to Questmap about applying for planning permission to convert the Roadside Inn to a shop.

21/32/02: The following items were reported:

Suicide Prevention & Intervention – a letter describing their work to the Parish Council.

21/33Finances:21/33/01: The following receipts were noted: -

The clerk circulated a report of the schedule of receipts up to 15-02-2021. There were no questions or comments. Attached to these minutes as Appendix B

21/33/02: The following payments were approved: -

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There were no questions or comments and the payments were approved.

Attached to these minutes as Appendix B

21/33/03: Grant Applications: -

There were no applications this month.

21/33/04: To receive an Income / Expenditure report to 31st January 2021:

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

21/34Information and Report:

Cllr Rivlin reported that the IWALC organised advanced training on the environmental factors of planning she attended was valuable and would share an overview of what was discussed.

Two enterprising Seaview Residents have set up two collection points for the IOW Foodbank. The clerk will put the details on the parish website. Cllr Rivlin also wanted to make sure that the members had seen the IWC request to nominate potential brownfield sites in the parish. Cllr Rivlin had noticed damage to the pavement in Pier Road where construction traffic was mounting the kerb to avoid parked cars – Cllr Barry said he would meet her onsite and look to get parking suspended to prevent the damage. Cllr Tuson reported that the barriers

in the footpath on Nettlestone Hill are still down since Wight Fibre undertook work there – the Clerk will report this to the Rights of Way Team.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared closed at 9.15pm.

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Chairman
15th March 2020