



NETTLESTONE AND SEAVIEW PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

held online (via a Zoom meeting) on Monday 18th January 2021 at 7pm

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

The Chairman welcomed Members (7) and Residents (10)

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 could write to the Isle of Wight Council (IWC) and seek clarification about the IWC planning department's position on the adoption of the Parish Council's Supplementary Planning Document. The Clerk confirmed he would write and seek clarification. Another resident informed the members that a beach hut owner at Norman's Landing would be seeking planning permission to change the use of their hut to a residential property.

21/01

Chairman's Comments:

N/A

21/02

Apologies for Absence:

Cllr Tuson sent her apologies.

21/03

Declarations of Personal and Prejudicial Interest:

The members did not have any interests to declare.

21/04

To Approve the Minutes of previous PC meeting held on the 14th December 2020:

The members voted to approve the minutes of the meeting held on the 14th December 2020.

21/05

Clerk's Report:

- In the week before Christmas, the Seagrove Bay toilet door jammed and left a cleaner stuck inside – the handle also broke as they tried to get out – CWC have shaved the door and replaced the handle free of charge – thank you to CWC placed on record.
- The new sign with safety rules for Kerry Fields play-area has been installed and praised as being very good by the Environment Officer.
- Cllr Tuson has spotted that a gap is opening under the path and seawall along Duver Road – this has been reported to the Marine Coastal protection team for them to address - Cllr Colledge confirmed during the meeting that he had seen the engineers repairing the gap.

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- 20/181 – The new swing seat has been installed at Kerry Fields play area.

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- 20/184 – The Clerk has contacted Vic's Stores about potentially starting a petition, they have acknowledged the offer and thank the members for their support – we remain on standby to start a petition, should they give us the go ahead.
- 20/186 – The Clerk wrote to the IWC re-iterating the member's unhappiness at the handling of the Eddington Road development site. Chris Ashman has acknowledged the letter and the complaint from the month before.

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- 20/188 – The Isle of Wight Council has acknowledged the precept request and confirmed that the charge will be £54.15 per Band D property in the parish.

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- 20/189 – letters were sent to the IWC and Beryl regarding the placement of the Beryl scooters on the green and the lack of local consultation. Cllr Ian Ward acknowledge the letter and Beryl have invited the council to a Q&A session about the scooters – Cllr Rivlin stated that she believed that a member should attend and present questions from the council.

21/06

Planning:

21/06/01: Delegated decisions, as per the list circulated, were noted.

21/06/02: The minutes of the Planning Sub-committee meeting held on the 12th of January 2021 were then approved.

21/06/03: The following application was then considered:

- 20/02064/RVC: Park Farm Bullen Road Nettlestone Ryde Isle Of Wight PO33 1QE.

Proposal: Removal of conditions 3 and 4 on P/00001/12 to allow Unit 3 within Plot 3 to be used for residential use.
Comments by 05.02.21

Resolved:

The Parish Council voted to Object to the application on the grounds of economic impact through loss of tourism. The resolution was supported by six member, with one objection.

21/06/04

Appeals:

There were no new appeals to note.

21/07

Reports:

21/07/01: I.W.C Ward Cllr: The ward councillor was not present.

21/07/02: N&SCP: Cllr Hardie reported that the tree planting project was still in progress – although slowed down by the national pandemic lockdown - and that thirty-eight saplings had been planted in the nature reserve, forty-seven saplings had been planted on Sophie Watson’s Garden and a start has been made on Ansell’s Copse. Twenty-one volunteers have been involved and the Chairman expressed his gratitude for having been involved. Cllr Hardie placed her thanks on record to Jo King for all of the organisation and tireless effort she has invested to make the project so successful. The partnership would like to plant two oak trees at Seaview Recreation Ground and the Clerk agreed to write to IWC to ask for permission. Cllr Hardie shared a positive County Press article with the members regarding the tree planting and the Clerk said he would upload it to the parish website. All of the potted Christmas trees were sold at the Community Shop and Men In Sheds successfully raised funds via the pallet trees that could be seen around the parish over the festive period.

21/07/03: Seagrove Pavilion Trust: The trust have a new website and are encouraging people to take a look. They have a Zoom log-in that they are sharing with their ‘not for profit’ user groups and are following the lockdown protocols. They have had their AGM and are in a financially stable position despite the pandemic.

21/07/04: Nettlestone Residents Association: Nothing to report this month.

21/07/05: IWALC: Cllr Adams reminded members that there was planning training available (online, via Microsoft Teams) on the 10th and 17th February. This training will concentrate on the environmental aspects of planning and Cllr Adams encouraged council members to attend.

21/07/06: Others: Cllr Rivlin explained that she had been taking over more of the 'Age UK' champion role from Kevin Berry and that she will be examining issues such as loss of pathways in the parish and liaising with Rob Webb who has volunteered to take over the 'Silver Surfers' club from Nigel Golding who is stepping down after supporting the club for several years. Cllr Rivlin will be investigating the potential for getting the parish designated as a 'Wildlife Friendly' village as it is already well established in this area with the work undertaken by organisations such as the Community Partnership. She also reported that the Community Partnership are looking for new members to join in their initiatives.

Cllr Ward reported that he had been in touch with the leader of the IWC – Cllr Stewart – with regards to Eddington Road and Cllr Stewart had offered to join a meeting to answer members' questions about the process. The Clerk and Chairman confirmed that a meeting would be arranged for members to put their questions to Cllr Stewart and residents would be invited to send questions in via members or the Clerk which will be asked of Cllr Stewart at an online meeting.

21/08

Neighbourhood Plan:

Cllr Adams confirmed that the Neighbourhood Plan Working Group was being finalised and work would start once all the members had confirmed their participation. Research has shown that five parish/town councils on the Island have neighbourhood plans in place already – Bembridge, Brading, Brighstone, Gurnard and Freshwater - Cllr Adams explained that he and the Clerk would contact them for advice on the processes they had undertaken when preparing their plans. Cllr Adams is also keen that the working group liaises with the wards of St.Helens and Ryde East during the process of creating the plan as they border the parish.

21/09

Public Bins:

Cllr Rivlin explained that she believed the parish requires a thorough audit of the public bins available as the lockdown has highlighted several bins being continually full, which has resulted in fly tipping by many of the bins. Cllr Rivlin asked members to volunteer to help with the process of visually checking (via a walk around of the parish) the current allocation of bins. Cllr(s) Hardie and Geernaert-Davies said they would be happy to help take part in the investigation.

21/10

Seaview Dinghy Park:

The Clerk confirmed that Cllr Adams had produced a thorough specification of what was required for the fence at the dinghy park. This specification has been shared with potential contractors but only one had been able to respond so far due to the difficulties presented by the lockdown. The quote received was for £10758 (in line with the budget set aside for the project). Cllr Hardie acknowledged that the project needed to start as soon as possible but proposed that the members should delegate the decision to allocate the contract to the Clerk – in consultation with the Chairman and Vice Chairman by the 1st

February to allow other contractors to respond – in the interests of performing due diligence but without holding up the process for another meeting.

Resolved:

Cllr Hardie's proposal was seconded and the members supported the resolution.

21/11

Barnsley Trail:

Cllr Rivlin shared that the cost of producing and installing the interpretation board (via signpost express) for Nettlestone Hill would be £565. The intention is also to provide smaller signs around the route. The Clerk confirmed that £1000 had been set aside to support this project in the budget.

Resolved:

The members resolved to spend up to £1000 providing the main interpretation board on Nettlestone Hill and supporting signage.

21/12

Wildlife Friendly Village:

Cllr Rivlin agreed that the topic had been covered in item 21/07/06 and did not require further discussion.

21/13

Beach Awards 2021:

The Clerk explained that the Parish Council had been invited to apply for beach awards for Seagrove Bay and Springvale Beach for the 2021 season. The cost of applying would be up to £1500, which had been budgeted for.

Resolved:

Cllr Hardie proposed applying for the awards and the members resolved to support the application for the 2021 season.

21/14

Correspondence:

21/14/01: The following items were circulated:

IWC – Acknowledgement of complaint against the Regeneration Department for the handling of the Eddington Road site.

The Adams Family – notification of a complaint against HMRC for pursuing business rates against the defunct Seaview Wildlife Park.

IWMDDF – thanks for the grant award of £50 and a notification that due to the lockdown, the grant money would not be required and has been returned.

21/14/02: The following items were reported:

Nothing to report.

21/15

Finances:

21/15/01: The following receipts were noted: -

The clerk circulated a report of the schedule of receipts up to 18-01-2021. There were no questions or comments. Attached to these minutes as Appendix A

21/15/02: The following payments were approved: -

The clerk circulated a report of the schedule of payments up to 18-01-2021. There were no questions or comments and the payments were approved. Attached to these minutes as Appendix A

21/15/03: Grant Applications: -

There were no applications this month.

21/15/04: To receive an Income / Expenditure report to 31st December 2020:

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

21/16

Information and Report:

Cllr Rivlin reported the following:

- She has written to the National Trust to explain deterioration of the footpath at Nodes Point and that they had responded quickly to explain this would be addressed as part of their national campaign to open their sites.
- Cllr Rivlin has been in touch with the IWC about cyclists passing through Puckpool and along the seawall and the route has been monitored by a safety team – signage in the vicinity will be improved.
- A road sweeping schedule has been obtained from Island Roads and will be uploaded (by the Clerk) to the parish website so that residents can move their vehicles when sweeping is scheduled and the maximum benefit can be gained from the process.
- The Kerry Fields play area appears waterlogged – the Clerk explained that the worst area has been worn out by footballers and will be repaired in the spring.
- Cllr Rivlin has been removing out of date ‘Westridge Farm’ posters from street furniture and has contacted the distributors to ask if they could now remove them.
- The IWC had written back to explain that they will not be taking legal action against the Seaview Hotel for not keeping the public toilets open during lockdown but the Clerk will write to the IWC asking if they propose to provide an alternative for this facility that has been withdrawn from the parish.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared closed at 8.40pm.

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Chairman

15th February 2020