

GODSHILL PARISH COUNCIL

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A MEETING OF GODSHILL PARISH COUNCIL WAS HELD IN GODSHILL METHODIST HALL AT 7.30PM ON MONDAY 4TH DECEMBER 2023.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Councillors, Button, Child, Crane and Jackman.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: G Hughes (Clerk), IW Councillor Clare Mosdell and seven members of the public.

7.30pm to 7.45pm time allocated for residents of Godshill Parish to speak to the Council on Parish Council matters.

A resident reported on flooding at Redhill Lane which he had reported to Island Roads. Speedwatch formed an agenda item

MINUTES

150/23 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor Bysouth and IW Councillor Suzie Ellis.

151/23 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

152/23 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 6TH NOVEMBER 2023.

On the proposition of Councillor Button, seconded by Councillor Jackman it was -

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting be approved.

153/23 IW COUNCILLORS REPORT

IW Councillor Clare Mosdell presented a report on behalf of IW Councillor Suzie Ellis, who was still recovering from a long period of health problems. Colleagues of Suzie at the IW Council were acting together to cover for her prolonged period of ill Health IW Councillor Ellis had no objection to the planning applications to be considered and reported that the number of communications she had received regarding Lily Cross were now reducing in volume as the development continued. She understood that a good and prompt response had been received from Captiva to all to matters raised. Councillor Button asked IW Councillor Mosdell if she could escalate the situation with the bus shelter at the school which was exposing users to the adverse weather conditions. Dissatisfaction was also expressed regarding the new bus shelter at the Dubbers.

154/23 CHAIRMANS REPORT

Councillor Child had attended an IWALC meeting via Zoom. She had attended a meeting in respect of a proposed planning application and it was agreed that a formal pre planning application meeting should be sought with the Planning department. She reported that the public consultation on future funding of the Post Office & Store was now underway in preparation for consideration at the budget meeting in January. To date comments received were unanimous in providing continued financial support to the Post Office & Store. Councillor Jackman advised that the Store at Seaview could be used as an example of good practice for the future operation of the store.

155/23 PARISH COUNCILLORS REPORTS

Councillor Jackman gave an update on Net Zero and her proposals regarding working with the community and neighbouring local councils. A project Godshill would be launched at a meeting in the Taverners and including for the establishment of a hub for the village.

Councillor Crane reported that the replacement post at Central Mead had yet to be done. The Clerk advised that three quotations had now been received and an order for the work had been placed. The continued inclement weather and ground conditions had prevented the work from being undertaken since the order had been placed. Councillor Crane also reported on evidence of horses being present on Central Mead.

Councillor Button reported that the car park at the entrance of Central Mead had been roped off and pedestrians were having to negotiate this to gain entry to the site. She also reported a vehicle impact at the wall near the Model Village.

156/23 CLERKS REPORT

The Clerk reported that he had been in contact with the donor of the proposed Christmas Tree, NDLE who would erect and provide lighting and the owners of The Journey restaurant who had kindly agreed to host the tree on their curtilage. It was anticipated that the tree would be in place and lit by Wednesday.

157/23 FINANCE – PAYMENTS FOR APPROVAL

The following payments were approved –

TYPE	PAYEE	AMOUNT
		£
STO	G HUGHES NOVEMBER SALARY	524.00
STO	ISLAND CLEANING SERVICES – NOV	464.92
DD	CPRE – SUBSCRIPTION – NOV	3.00
FPO	G HUGHES – BACKDATED SALARY AWARD	296.00
FPO	D McGEOCH – GRASSCUTTING	668.00
FPO	E READ – CEMETERY MAINTENANCE	267.00
FPO	E READ – GRASSCUTTING	449.00
FPO	NEWCHURCH PC – 50% SLCC SUBS	88.50
FPO	G HUGHES – EXPENSES	41.88
FPO	NATURAL ENTERPRISE – BOARDWALK	500.00

Comment was made on the cleaning standard of Island Cleaning Services and Councillor Crane agreed to undertake periodic inspections.

158/23 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following applications were considered –

1. Use of Pool House as permanent residential dwelling. Spinneys Shanklin Road Godshill/Ref. No: 23/02016/FUL |
2. Prior approval for alterations and conversion of agricultural building to form one residential dwelling. Cuddles Corner Roud Lane Godshill. Ref. No: 23/01888/3QPA |
3. 23/02073/FUL | Temporary residential use of Appletree Barn | Appletree Barn Appleford Lane Godshill

RESOLVED: (i) To make no objection to the applications.

(ii) To support application 3 above and ask that it be considered by the Planning Committee

159/23 PLANNING DECISIONS

No further decisions had been reported since the November meeting.

160/23 CORRESPONDENCE

All correspondence is contained elsewhere in the minutes.

161/23 SPEEDWATCH

An update on the proposed scheme was received including costs of associated equipment and clothing.

RESOLVED: To approve a budget provision of up to £500 in respect of approved purchases.

162/23 CENTRAL MEAD

Councillor Crane reported on the apparent use of the site by a horse rider and the continued problem of rabbit holes. The ‘roping off’ of the car park at the Newport Road entrance had been raised earlier by Councillor Button.

163/23 MUNSLEY BOG

Natural Enterprise had completed a programme of works at Munsley Bog and an opening ceremony had been scheduled for 11am on Wednesday 20th December, all residents were welcome to attend and refreshments would be provided.

164/23 CHRISTMAS TREE

The Clerk advised on the costs pertaining to the tree and its proposed location.

RESOLVED: That the costs of £780 (net of VAT) be approved.

165/23 INVASIVE SPECIES

A report from Natural Enterprise on work removing Himalyan Balsom had been circulated. It was agreed to invite Natural Enterprise to give a presentation at the January Parish Council meeting when a financial contribution would be considered.

166/23 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting would take place in the Methodist Hall on Monday 8th January 2024 at 7.30pm.

The meeting closed at 8.27pm

CHAIRMAN

8TH JANUARY 2024