

# 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 SEPTEMBER 2023.**

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

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:** G Hughes (Clerk), 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 member of the public advised that he had set up a Speedwatch Group of which he was acting as Coordinator. Volunteers had come forward to form the group and further volunteers were welcome, arrangements were underway regarding equipment and planned operation.

Members of the public reported on continued early morning noise and accumulation of rubbish at the Lily Cross site and on parking issues in Yarborough Close, the Chairman would contact Iain Delaney of Captiva Homes.

It was reported that overhanging branches across the road from the Griifin were interfering with the passage of pedestrians, the Clerk would report to Island Roads.

## **MINUTES**

### **107/23 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

IW Councillor Suzie Ellis and Councillor Astrid Bysouth.

### **108/23 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None

### **109/23 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF MEETINGS HELD ON 3RD JULY 2023 AND ON 10TH AUGUST 2023.**

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

**RESOLVED:** That the minutes of the meetings be approved.

### **110/23 IW COUNCILLORS REPORT**

The Clerk advised that an e mail had been received from IW Councillor Suzie Ellis who was continuing to seek a solution to flooding at Redhill Lane and addressing matters raised by residents in proximity to the Lily Cross development. The e mail would be circulated to all Parish Councillors. Disappointment was expressed by Parish Councillors and by the public regarding IW Councillor Suzie Ellis attendance record at Parish Council meetings

### **111/23 CHAIRMANS REPORT**

Councillor Child and Councillor Jackman had met on site at Lily Cross with Iain Delaney of Captiva Homes to monitor progress. The situation regarding the occupation of a property at Applegate had been reported to Bob Seeley. An e mail had been received from Susan Gearing, the new owner of property at Church Hill, who had taken responsibility for maintaining Church Hill Bank. Planting and stabilisation work was being undertaken by the new owner to enhance and secure the appearance of the bank.

### **112/23 PARISH COUNCILLORS REPORTS**

Councillor Crane reported on a rotten gatepost at Central Mead that needed renewal. He felt a list of approved contractors should be kept who could be called on at short notice to attend to such matters.

### 113/23 CLERKS REPORT

The Clerk had circulated a holding response from Island Roads regarding the cleaning and possible relocation of the benches outside the Post Office. Nothing further had been received in respect of Island Roads undertaking the cleaning works that they had previously acknowledged as being their responsibility.

He advised on correspondence with Playdale regarding a replacement handle for the childrens seesaw at May Close. It was agreed not to send the item to Playdale for repair but to order the part and seek to have it affixed by a local welder.

A repair to the Stile at Munsley Bog had been undertaken and repairs had also been made to sections of boardwalk.

Correspondence would form an ongoing future agenda item.

### 114/23 FINANCE – PAYMENTS FOR APPROVAL

The following payments were approved –

TYPE	PAYEE	AMOUNT
		£
STO	G HUGHES JULY SALARY	524.00
STO	G HUGHES – AUGUST SALARY	524.00
STO	ISLAND CLEANING SERVICES – JULY	464.92
STO	ISLAND CLEANING SERVICES – AUG	464.92
STO	CPRE – SUBSCRIPTION – JULY	3.00
STO	CPRE – SUBSCRIPTION AUGUST	3/00
FPO	E READ – CEMETERY GRASSCUTTING	267.00
FPO	G HUGHES – EXPENSES	35.04
FPO	D McGEOCH – JUNE	780.00
FPO	D McGEOCH – JULY	688.00
FPO	D McGEOCH – AUGUST	588.00
FPO	ALL SAINTS CHURCH	300.00
FPO	DANFO – REPLACEMENT HANDLE	89.10
FPO	ISLAND ROADS – BIN EMPTYING	337.92
DD	SOUTHERN ELECTRIC	212.35
DD	SOUTHERN ELECTRIC	246.30

### 115/23 PLANNING APPLICATION

There had been no further applications since the August meeting.

### 116/23 PLANNING DECISIONS

No decisions had been reported since the August meeting.

### 117/23 CENTRAL MEAD

Councillor Button enquired about the tree which was to be taken down on the border with the Old Smithy. This was to be undertaken in the winter months to avoid any impact on the operation of the seating area at the Old Smithy. It was also agreed to request that grass cutting be undertaken occasionally around the whole perimeter of the Pavilion.

Councillor Child reported that she had arranged for the broken window to be boarded and that she suspected that the building had been entered and certain items removed.

### 118/23 PUBLIC CONVENIENCES

The Clerk reported a couple of instances whereby he had called the cleaner to undertake work to secure entry to the conveniences. While this work was appreciated it was felt that the standard of ongoing cleaning was unsatisfactory and that a sign or record should be kept to demonstrate times that cleaning had been

undertaken.

**119/23 MUNSLEY BOG**

Councillor Jackman had encountered Graham Biss of Natural Enterprise, it was agreed that it was necessary to encourage more volunteers to assist with works on site. Councillor Jackman would liaise with Natural Enterprise regarding ongoing works.

**120 /23 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting would take place in the Methodist Hall on Monday 2nd October 2023 at 7.30pm.

**The meeting closed at 8.19pm**

**CHAIRMAN**

**2ND OCTOBER 2023**