

GODSHILL PARISH COUNCIL

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A MEETING OF GODSHILL PARISH COUNCIL WAS HELD IN GODSHILL METHODIST HALL AT 7.50PM ON MONDAY 5TH JUNE 2023.

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

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: G Hughes (Clerk), and four members of the public.

7.50pm to 8.05pm time allocated for residents of Godshill Parish to speak to the Council on Parish Council matters.

Residents expressed their concern regarding the apparent intention to fell an old tree at the green area adjacent to the Yarbotough Close old brick barn location. The Clerk or Chairman would contact Iain Delaney of Captiva and the IW Council Tree Officer. The suggestion of speed bumps in Yarborough Close was suggested to alleviate concerns on Highway Safety especially regarding children at play. There were reported anxiety at the level of dust and noise but Captiva workmen had been responsive to local residents and their concerns. There was also some confusion regarding the current temporary bridleway closure arrangements. Iain Delaney would be invited to the July meeting of the Parish Council to answer any questions the public may wish to ask at that time.

MINUTES

75/23 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

IW Councillor Suzie Ellis.

76/23 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

77/23 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF MEETINGS HELD ON 24TH APRIL 2023 AND ON 3RD MAY 2023.

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

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held on 24th April 2023 be approved.

On the proposition of Councillor Button, seconded by Councillor Bysouth, it was –

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held on 3rd May be approved.

78/23 IW COUNCILLORS REPORT

A written report had been received by IW Councillor Suzie Ellis, as follows –

Following Gareth's email at the end of last week regarding Church Hill, I went and had a look this morning and have spoken with Island Roads about the many potholes, and about the parking against the bank. The district steward is going out to inspect the road surface, and as soon as I receive his feedback I shall pass it on to yourselves.

With regards to parking against the bank, Island Roads tell me that unless there is a Traffic Regulation Order in place, such as DYLS, there is nothing to enforce inconsiderate parking unless it's causing a dangerous obstruction. The contravention of parking restrictions would come under the remit of Parking Services at the Isle of Wight Council for enforcement. A vehicle causing a dangerous obstruction would come under the remit of the Police. If they considered a vehicle to be "dangerously parked" they could remove the vehicle. Also, if a vehicle was parked such that it prevented access/egress to someone's property (i.e., they couldn't get their car on or off the driveway because someone had inconsiderately blocked them in) the police could remove it. The District Steward is going to have a look at the bank

whilst he is in Church Hill, and I am hoping he will be able to advise further. In the meantime, do any Parish Councillors know who the bank belongs to, and whether the cars parked are parked regularly or occasionally – and could the drivers perhaps be appealed to and asked to park a little more considerately?

I continue to work with residents, Island Roads and the Councils Flood Officer on issues at Redhill Lane. I have had a small number of enquiries from residents in regards to the Captiva development, and I went and toured the site a couple of weeks ago. I enjoyed supporting Year 6 SATS at Godshill Primary School, and was there this morning handing out certificates at their Awards Assembly. I continue to work closely with the school and have an active involvement. At Annual Council in May I kept my appointment on Policy and Scrutiny for Childrens Services Committee, and was also appointed to Corporate Scrutiny, Licensing and Appeals committees.

On planning you will have seen that the Wind Turbine application was refused, and that the Appletree Barn appeal was turned down.

I have this morning attended a briefing by the senior Policing Team on the Island, which was a very useful session. Of particular interest is ‘Golden Mile’ which is a scheme whereby they ‘target’ roads / areas of roads that are of particular concern to residents for regular police presence – so do feed back to me your top roads and I can get them added to the target list!

79/23 CHAIRMANS REPORT

Councillor Child advised that for personal reasons she had been unable to attend The monthly meeting of IWALC. She reported on the threatened eviction of a Local resident currently living at Appleford Lane, due to the premises being designated by Planning as holiday accommodation. She also gave an update regarding Post Office funding and that a larger contribution may be sought in future financial Years. A representative of the Scout Hall had made communication suggesting a closer working relationship with the Parish Council.

79/23 PARISH COUNCILLORS REPORTS

Councillor Button gave an update on Parish Council sites, all generally satisfactory but a stile was broken at Munsley Bog, and the benches adjacent to the Post Office were once again covered with bird excrement. The Clerk would contact Rights of Way and Island Roads respectively. The noticeboard at the car park had yet to be removed and the Memorial Garden required weeding.

Councillor Crane advised of a loose manhole cover adjacent to The Dubbers.

80/23 CLERKS REPORT

The Clerk had circulated the following report –

1. May Close Playground – Equipment handles have been replaced. ROSPA report link circulated, suggested July Agenda item.
2. IW Councillor Ellis has kindly agreed to assist with issues at Church Hill.
3. Council vacancies – Notice for the Cooption of two Councillors has been placed on the website and on the noticeboard.
4. New signage has been placed at Munsley Bog by Natural Enterprise.

81/23 FINANCE – PAYMENTS FOR APPROVAL

The following payments were approved –

TYPE	PAYEE	AMOUNT
		£
STO	G HUGHES MAY SALARY	524.00
STO	ISLAND CLEANING SERVICES – MAY	464.92
STO	CPRE – SUBSCRIPTION – MAY	3.00
FPO	S MILFORD – INTERNAL AUDIT	120.00

FPO	B JACOBS – APRIL MEETING	61.53
FPO	D McGEOCH – GRASS CUTTING	588.00
FPO	ISLAND ROADS – BIN EMPTYING	313.20
FPO	E READ – CEMETERY MAINT	133.50
FPO	D McGEOCH	660.00
FPO	G HUGHES – EXPENSES	39.18

82/23 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following planning application was considered –
Internally illuminated double sided advertising panel to be positioned on side of new bus shelter. Bus Shelter Adjacent 28 And 30 Newport Road Godshill. Ref. No: 23/00821.

RESOLVED: To make no objection to the application but to comment that the panel should not be an illuminated one.

83/23 PLANNING DECISIONS

No decisions had been received since the last meeting.

84/23 CENTRAL MEAD

There had yet been no action taken on the planting of fruit trees to mark the occasion of the Coronation of King Charles III. The Chairman had met with Community Action staff to further explore funding sources for the proposed projects on the site. Concern had been expressed by the Councils ground maintenance contractor on the need to fell a tree at the Smithy xar park end of the site, this would be investigated.

85 /23 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting would take place in the Methodist Hall on Monday 3rd July 2023 at 7.30pm.

The meeting closed at 8.21pm

CHAIRMAN

3RD JULY 2023