

GODSHILL PARISH COUNCIL

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A MEETING OF GODSHILL PARISH COUNCIL WAS HELD IN GODSHILL METHODIST HALL AT 7.30 PM ON MONDAY 7TH NOVEMBER 2022.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Councillors Child, Button and Frost. (Councillor Crane was coopted as a Parish Councillor at Agenda item 17/22)

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

7.40pm to 7.45pm time allocated for residents of Godshill Parish to speak to the Council on Parish Council matters.

A resident commented on the number of holes in the ground at Central Mead which may lead to an accident. It was reported that the new owner of a property at Church Hill had indicated that they would take responsibility for ground maintenance and the posts at Church Hill Bank which were under their ownweship. Councillor Frost reported on works that the Crochet Group were undertaking to provide assistance for vulnerable persons. A question was asked regarding updates on speeding issues, nothing hsd been heard further from Hampshire Constabulary, the Chairman had attended a Road Safety seminar, slides from which would be sent to a local resident.

MINUTES

169/22 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor Bysouth and IW Councillor Suzie Ellis.

170/22 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

171/22 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 3RD OCTOBER 2022.

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

RESOLVED: To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 3rd October 2022.

172/22 COOPTION OF PARISH COUNCILLOR

Mr Keith Crane had asked to be considered for cooption and had been interviewed by the Chairman and Clerk. On the proposition of Councillor Button, seconded by Councillor Frost, it was –

RESOLVED: To Coopt Mr Keith Crane as a Parish Councillor.

Mr Crane signed an Acceptance of Office Form and was provided with the following documents –

1. Declaration of Interests Form for completion.
2. Coyo of Code of Conduct.
3. Copy of Standing Orders.

173/22 IW COUNCILLORS REPORT

No report had been received from Councillor Ellis who was suffering from continued ill health, IW Councillor Ellis had advised the Clerk that she was available to converse with the Parish Council and residents via Zoom should that be required on any matter. It was agreed to send IW Councillor Ellis best wishes for a speedy recovery.

174/22 CHAIRMANS REPORT

The Chairman advised the Parish Council of the death of Mrs Maureen Rann. Mrs Rann was a former Parish Councillor and had been a stalwart of the Godshill Community for many years. The Parish Council expressed their sadness at this news and passed their condolences to the Rann family.

Councillor Child reported on the recent IWALC meeting and her attendance at a Road Safety seminar. She also reported on a circumstance where a local family faced eviction from a home that they owned as a consequence of a planning process, she believed that this could apply to other owners and the Clerk would seek guidance from the Planning Authority on the situation. She also reported on the need to keep paths and bridleways clear, the Clerk would invite Darrel Clarke of Rights of Way to make a presentation to a future meeting.

175/22 COUNCILLORS REPORTS

Councillor Button reported on instances of flytipping and vegetation growth at the frontage of Woods.

Councillor Crane reported on drainage problems including flooding at Moorview.

Councillor Frost reported on the use of the 'Next Door' service.

176/22 CLERKS REPORT

The Clerk gave an update on playground equipment at May Close. Mr Watson would attend to an item which required removal of a surplus part, another item would need the attention of a welder to repair a broken handlebar. The order for new handle grip items had yet to be delivered. The Scout Hall had agreed to make their electricity supply available for the welding works.

177/22 FINANCE – ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

The following payments were approved –

PAYEE	AMOUNT
	£
G HUGHES OCT SALARY	487.20
ISLAND CLEANING SERVICES – OCT	557.90
CPRE – SUBSCRIPTION – OCT	3.00
TEEC - Website hosting	151.19
G HUGHES – Charity Registration	79.00
D McGEOCH = GRASSCUTTING	500.00
G HUGHES - SLCC – 50% Subscription	85.50
G HUGHES – National Pay Award (7 months)	256.67
HMRC – Tax on pay award.	64.17
BUSINESS STREAM	122.70
ISLAND ROADS	306.24

Website hosting would be an agenda item for a future meeting.

178/22 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following planning application was considered –

- (i) 22/01729/LBC | Listed Building Consent for installation of adjoining safety barrier all four corners of the parapet on B206 Bowbridge | Bow Bridge Newport Road Godshill.
- (ii) Replacement of existing windows, extension of existing chimney, alteration of lean-to roof pitch, replacement of existing 2no. timber sheds and removal of existing freestanding PV array, addition of PV panels to the roof of the barn. Couthy Butt Downcourt Farm

RESOLVED: To make no objection to the applications.

It was reported that a large number of revisions had been made to the proposed development at Scotland Farm. It was agreed to hold a meeting to consider further comments, the deadline for which being Monday 21st November.

179/22 PLANNING DECISION

No decisions had been received since the last meeting.

180/22 .CENTRAL MEAD

Discussion took place regarding the condition of the field, future maintenance and usage by the school. There had been no further news on the proposed development for which revised lottery applications were being prepared.

181/22 PUBLIC CONVENIENCES

The Chairman reported that anticipated levels of income were being maintained. The Clerk had reported on an incident involving the deposit of human faeces outside the main building. The incident was reported to the Clerk by a local business and the the cleaning contractor effected a speedy clean up.

182/22 BEST KEPT VILLAGE AWARD

The Parish Council had been confirmed as the winner of the 2022 Best Kept Large Village Award. Details would be placed on the website and noticeboards.

183/22 REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

RESOLVED: It was agreed to make a donation of £60 to the Royal British Legion for the provision of a wreath. Such expenditure being made under Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972.

184.22 PROVISION OF CHRISTMAS TREE

A letter had been received from Godshill Residents & Business Association (GRABA), requesting that the Parish Council provide a Christmas Tree in the village to replace the tree previously sited outside Woods. It had been identified that previous trees had been hosted at Woods but had been provided by a local donor. The Clerk had contacted the donor who would continue to provide a tree and a local contractor had been contacted regarding a quotation for its placement and illumination. Consideration was given to the siting of a tree as a power supply was unavailable at the previous location. After discussion it was –

RESOLVED: To respond to the letter from GRABA providing the above information and asking if they were able to assist with the provision of a location for a tree.

185/22 REPORT & CERTIFICATE OF THE EXTERNAL AUDITOR

The report and certificate for the 2021-22 financial year had been received and there were no matters arising from the audit.

RESOLVED: That the report of the External Auditor be received and noted.

186 /22 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting would take place on Monday 4th December at 7.30pm in the Methodist Hall.

The meeting closed at 8.36pm

CHAIRMAN

4H DECEMBER 2022