

Minutes of a meeting of Arreton Parish Council held on **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November, 2017** at **Arreton Community Hall** at 7pm.

**Present:** Cllrs Thirkettle, Calloway, Cooper, Dovey, Hayden, Kimber and Orchard

In attendance: IWC Cllr Mosdell and Sheila Caws (Clerk)

**174/17 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received from Cllr Watterson (unwell)

**175/17 Questions from the public**

No members of the public were present but Cllr Thirkettle had received a query regarding planning permission for signs. The Clerk will investigate.

**176/17 To receive and confirm the minutes of the previous meeting (9<sup>th</sup> October)**

Subject to an amendment to the Clerk's Report, the minutes of the meeting held on October 9<sup>th</sup> were confirmed and signed – proposed Cllr Dovey, seconded Cllr Kimber

**177/17 To receive regular reports**

- (a) IWC Councillor – IWC Cllr Mosdell has spoken to the Cabinet member for transport regarding the traffic problems at Down End and the synchronisation of the traffic lights will be looked at. Another suggestion is to have no right turn at the traffic lights and vehicles go round the roundabout at Robin Hill and come back. However, it was felt that the roundabout was too small for large lorries and the traffic from Long Lane would be blocked.  
With regard to speeding in Blackwater, Cllr Mosdell will arrange with Cllr Dovey to collect data on speeding. See also agenda item 182/17.
- (b) Cemetery and Churchyard matters - the Clerk met with Brighstone Landscaping to quote for work on two of the table top tombs in the Churchyard. The yew tree and the sign were also looked at, as was the Burma Star area.  
Cllr Orchard also raised the question as to whether the grass will be cut after October. The Clerk will investigate.
- (c) Highways and footpaths – work has been done on the boardwalk at Horringford, on the Stickworth side of the cycleway.  
Natural England have requested changes to the footpath at the Down End Chalk Pit.
- (d) IWALC/Chairman's report – the Chairman will attend the next meeting of Age Friendly Island as he and Cllr Hayden had attended the last one. The main topic would be 'bed blockers' although IWC Cllr Mosdell reported that funding has been found to change the system and delayed social care is no longer a problem.  
The next IWALC meeting is this Thursday and the IW Council want feedback on the waste collection service. IWC Cllr Mosdell drew attention to the new fortnightly garden waste collection service.  
Cllr Calloway commented on the session she had attended on development. The idea now is to lease site IWC sites rather than sell them e.g. Newport Quay and Sandham Middle School.
- (e) Clerk's report - the Clerk wrote to Arreton Primary School regarding the Christmas Story competition being run by the IW Society for the Blind. A favourable response was received and four children have entered.

The Clerk contacted Brighstone Landscaping again and a meeting was arranged – see Burial reports.

Other matters: the Clerk has signed up to the Public Sector Mapping Agreement through the Ordnance Survey. This gives us the right to have access to their digital maps and data. The Chairman and the Clerk will be attending a meeting between T&PCs and the IW Council on November 20<sup>th</sup> and the agenda has now been issued. There will be sessions on the Police, planning, highways and communications.

Training: the Clerk attended a Regional Training Day, organised by the SLCC on November 1<sup>st</sup> which included useful sessions on data protection and other legal topics such as the new Audit Regulations. The President of the SLCC raised some interesting questions regarding the lack of teeth of the Code of Conduct now that scrutiny committees have been abolished, particularly with regard to bullying.

Cllrs Calloway and Dovey will be attending separate Planning training sessions to be held by IWALC at the end of November.

**178/17 To receive any declarations of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interest and requests for dispensations under the Localism Act 2011. To give notice of any item to be raised under agenda item 194/17**

Cllr Thirkettle declared a personal interest in the planning application for Spreets Rew.

**179/17 Finance**

The finance report for October was agreed. The balance in the current account was £14,201.51. The following payments were agreed:-

Staff costs	£324.46
Brighstone Landscaping (grounds maintenance)	£702.00
M Thirkettle (wreath)	£50.00
Ability Dogs 4 Young People (donation)	£50.00

**180/17 Planning and Appeals**

Application No	Location	Proposal
<a href="#">TCP/04216/D - P/01259/17</a>	Spreets Rew, Main Road, Arreton, Newport, Isle Of Wight, PO303AL	Proposed 3 bedroomed residential unit
<a href="#">TCP/33266 - P/01308/17</a>	Noor Villa, Main Road, Arreton, Newport, Isle Of Wight, PO303AD	Householder Application - To erect a conservatory to the rear of the property
<a href="#">TCP/32408/B - P/01291/17</a>	Part OS Parcel 6324 off, Chapel Lane, Merstone, Newport, Isle Of Wight, PO30	Variation of condition 2 of P/00706/16 to increase roof height of garage to incorporate storage

The Parish Council agreed that there were no objections to any of these applications.

**181/17 Financial Standing Orders**

The Parish Council's Financial Standing Orders were agreed and signed.

**182/17 Speed limits**

Cllr Orchard put forward several reasons as to why the speed limit through Blackwater should be reduced, especially if the planning application for Blackwater Garage is approved. It was agreed to raise the issue with Island Roads again. IWC Cllr Mosdell already has a logged number from Island Roads, which she will forward to the Clerk. It was agreed that Cllr Mosdell will contact the equestrian community for support whilst the Clerk will contact cycling groups and the Local Access Forum.

**183/17 Notice boards**

It was agreed that the replacement noticeboard in Blackwater should be big enough to hold 4xA4 portrait posters.

**184/17 Lighting**

It has been noticed that there has been an increase in light at night from the greenhouses in the Parish. IWC Cllr Mosdell agreed to contact the owners to see if there had been any changes.

**185/17 Brownfield sites**

A request has been received from the IW Council regarding potential brownfield sites in the Island. It was agreed to suggest the derelict greenhouse sites at Budbridge and opposite Chapel Lane, Merstone.

**186/17 Potential development sites**

A request has also been received from the IW Council regarding potential development land. It was agreed that no one was aware of any.

**187/17 Newsletter**

A request has been received that the Parish Council consider re-activating the newsletter. Cllr Thirkettle said that the owner of the shop in the village was willing to produce a "what's on" sheet and IWC Cllr Mosdell distributes her own newsletter three times a year. It was agreed to talk to the shop owner about his offer and to put information in Cllr Mosdell's newsletter when relevant.

**188/17 South Wight Parishes Health and Well-being Forum**

An invitation has been received to join the South Wight Parishes Health and Well-being Forum, part of the My Life a Full Life project. Cllr Calloway asked for details.

**189/17 World War I centenary**

It was agreed that something should be done to commemorate the centenary of the end of WWI ideas would be welcome.

**190/17 IWALC**

A proposal to re-organise IWALC has been received from the Town Clerk of Ventnor. It was agreed to take no further action as this was not an official document and has been proposed before.

**191/17 Budget 2018/19**

Councillors were asked for ideas to be included in next year's budget.

**192/17 Fun Day 2018**

Nothing to report.

**193/17 To note the date of the next meeting, 11<sup>th</sup> December 2017 in the Community Hall.**

**194/17 Any other matters raised by Councillors for discussion only**

Nothing was raised

The meeting concluded at 9.00pm

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