

SHALFLEET PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of Shalfleet Parish Council held in the Shalfleet CE Primary School on Wednesday 8th July 2009 at 1915 hrs.

Present: Cllr.C.Hedgley Chairman.

Councillors: W.Burt, and M.Carr.

In attendance Cllr.S.Dyer CC (IWC), J.A.H.Whitney Clerk & RFO, Mrs S.Jennings Assistant Clerk and Mr.N.Perry IWC Environment & Neighbourhoods Officer.

There were 10 members of the public present.

Before going into formal sitting the Council received a short presentation by Mr Peter Fellows of the West Wight Landscape Partnership regarding the scope of projects to be funded by the recent Heritage Lottery Grant . Mr Fellows advised that funding would be available for a range of local projects that would include formal plaque or monumental tributes to local heroes and village footpath guide publications, the deadline for submission has been set for October 2009.

1933hrs Council sitting commenced.

130/09-10 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from the Vice-Chairman, Cllr.Mrs Runnette and Cllr Mrs Broadhead.

131/09-10 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

There were no declarations at this point.

132/09-10 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLUTION

The minutes of the previous meeting (prior circulated) were confirmed and the Chairman authorised to sign them as a true record.

Proposed Cllr.Burt

Seconded Cllr Carr.

Passed.

133/09-10 MATTERS ARISING NOT REQUIRING A RESOLUTION.

Ref 11/09-10 The Clerk confirmed that with regard to the operation of a public internet facility it has been necessary for him and the Assistant Clerk to submit themselves for CRB checks as required by the Parish Councils Child Protection policy.

134/09-10 NINGWOOD GREEN-DOG LITTER BIN.

Following a proposal from Cllr Mrs Runnette at the previous meeting the Council considered the matter of dog litter bin provision at Ningwood Green and it was decided that provided this item could be supplied by the Isle of Wight Council the Parish Council would then support the ongoing service costs. The Clerk undertook to pursue this matter with the assistance of Mr Neil Perry (IWC)

135/09-10 BOULDNOR FIELD USE-OLD GAFFERS FESTIVAL

Arising from the previous meeting it was decided to review the future use of the Bouldnor Field for a “park and ride” facility serving the Gaffers Festival to assess whether the remuneration to the Parish Council represents a fair contribution to the ongoing field management costs and is therefore serving the best interests of the electorate. The Clerk briefed members on the financial history of this subject and Cllr Dyer (IWC) provided useful information regarding the division of monies arising from the car park operation. Following a lengthy debate it was resolved to retain a flat charge of £300 for next year but keep the matter on review.

RESOLUTION

Proposed Cllr Burt

Seconded Chairman

passed.

136/09-10 PARISH PLAN

The Council considered the matter of a second attempt at producing a Parish Plan in the light of the previous failure to complete plan after considerable work was carried out by Councillors and resident volunteers ,it was pointed out that plans demand a considerable amount of time and some finance to produce, it was noted that after failure of the previous plan some £3000 of funding was returned to the Countryside Agency. The Chairman stressed that the production of a second plan would need the formation of a steering group comprising of representatives of the constituent villages within the parish and two councillors. The Chairman also stressed the production of the plan and administration should not be delegated to the Clerk or Assistant Clerk but when a final document is produced the Parish Council would then formally accept and adopt the Plan provided it is in agreement with the contents. A vote was then taken and it was resolved to proceed further with formation of a steering group and the recruitment of volunteers from the Parish.

RESOLUTION

Proposed Cllr.Carr

Seconded Cllr Burt

passed

137/09-10 CLERKS REPORT

- a) Finance: a list of payments (prior circulated) was approved Staples £72.83, Staples £29.14, Brighstone Landscaping £919.18, Newbridge CA £20.00, Vecta Computers £82.00, IWCP £44.99, Clerks salary (July) Assistant Clerks salary (July) J.Whitney admin £99.08, Clerks salary (August) Assistant Clerks salary (August)

- b) Administration: **Withyfield issues** The Clerk advised that he had received complaints from residents of The Withyfields and a Newbridge resident regarding the re-siting of a litter bin onto Parish Council owned land, after investigation it was noted that this action had been carried out by the Isle of Wight Council as confirmed by the Environments and Neighbourhoods Officer Mr Perry who was in attendance at the meeting. At this point the Chairman proposed suspension of standing orders to allow free discussion (2020hrs Standing orders suspended) (2025 Standing orders were restored)

The Clerk was instructed to place the waste bin site provision on the agenda of the next meeting.

Also referring to the Withfields area the Clerk advised that he had been approached by Highways with a request to re-site the Withyfield road sign in a different position to remove confusion by motorists as to which was Church Lane (one way) and Withyfield. Members had no objection to this proposal.

Office/Help Centre The Clerk reported that during the first two weeks of operation the new office has hosted visits from residents with enquiries regarding a variety of problems ranging from litter bin replacement to problems regarding skateboard activity. The public internet facility has proved popular with some 12 users within the first two weeks. Currently regular surgeries at the Centre are being arranged with the Police, IWC Neighbourhoods Officer and the Ward Councillor Cllr. Stuart Dyer.

Best kept village: the Clerk circulated the results of this competition.

138/09-10 CORRESPONDENCE

There was no significant correspondence to list or report.

139/09-10 TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING

The following applications were considered and recommendations made:
P/00541/09 Barnfield Farm Main Road Ningwood-retention of mobile home.
Shalfleet Parish Council has no objection.

P/00809/09 Bartons Corner Main Road Shalfleet detached barn and alterations to access.***Shalfleet Parish Council objects to this application on grounds of intrusive siting of barn and poor access route having regard to the nearby traffic regime.***

P/00912/09 Warlands Lane Ningwood-general purpose barn. **NB a declaration of interest from Cllr Burt rendered the Council inquorate so this item was dealt with under The Clerk's delegated powers (LG Act 1972 and SPC SO 13 refer)**
Shalfleet Parish Council has no objection.

140/09-10 COUNCILLORS REPORTS

Cllr.S.Dyer CC The IWC Ward Councillor delivered his report a copy of which is appended to and forms part of these minutes.

Cllr.Carr reported good progress with the provision of affordable housing within the parish but could not release details at present due to commercial sensitivity.

Mr Carr also mentioned an exhibition being staged on Saturday 11th July at the Shalfleet Hall to show past history and present progress.

Cllr.Burt advised of local concern regarding the use of Lee Farm as a bus depot, Cllr Dyer undertook to investigate this matter with the Local Planning Authority.

THERE BEING NO OTHER BUSINESS THE COUNCIL ROSE AT 2100hrs
FOLLOWING QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC.

Part 11 session.

Minute 1a

Following the departure of the public and The Clerk & Assistant Clerk the Council held a short session to agree new contractual employment conditions regarding the recent change to a formal office/help centre facility.

Signed as a true record.....Chairman

Dated.....