

## SHALFLEET PARISH COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SHALFLEET PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT WELLOW INSTITUTE ON WEDNESDAY, 8<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2021 AT 7.15 PM

**Present:** Cllrs: S Cowley (Chair), H Hewston, S Stables, I Broad, P Broadhead, T Cowley  
6 members of public  
County Cllrs Peter Spink and Chris Jarman  
Locum Clerk: Maxine Warr

#### **66/21-22 CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME:**

Cllr Cowley welcomed James Brewer, IWC Planning Policy Leader, and Paul Fuller, IW Cabinet member for Planning and Housing to the meeting.

**67/21-22 DRAFT ISLAND PLANNING STRATEGY:** Mr Brewer gave a detailed **presentation** on the Draft Island Planning Strategy through a series of slides. The main difference between this Plan and the previous version is the removal of the garden settlement sites and the reduction in the overall numbers required, which is now down to 486 per annum. There will be no sites outside of the settlement boundaries and no adjacent sites will be allowed to prevent uncertainty. Any rural sites will be subject to an exception and will have to be 100% affordable housing. It was acknowledged that there is a housing crisis with a desperate need for 1 and 2 bedroom accommodation. Different housing mixes are also being looked at including shared ownership schemes.

It was confirmed that any housing applications currently going through the system, and up to the adoption of a new strategy, would be subject to the current core strategy. Mr Brewer also commented on the number of approvals that have not been started and said these are included in the Plan and in future there will time bound penalties included in approval conditions. There was a suggestion made that the overall target number could be lower, however this would result in a reduction of the required number for affordable housing so could be counterproductive.

The benefits of having a local plan were confirmed as powerful tools for rural exception sites. The PC had carried out a housing needs survey and looked into community led housing but still had had problems getting local people allocated to local sites. Mr Brewer said this strategy should address this problem and the First Homes scheme will also benefit local residents, as it will be held in perpetuity.

*At this point (8.10pm) IW Cllr Spink left the meeting after being asked to refrain from asking any further questions by the Chairman. It was felt his comments could have been made at County Hall rather than at a public meeting for residents.*

Further questions were asked by Councillors and the public. It was confirmed that the pathways, including the West Wight Greenway would be multi usage. Vehicle charging was also discussed along with ideas for car clubs and battery electric storage points within developments.

It was confirmed that there were no developments outlined in the Plan for Shalfleet parish, but this does not mean they will not come along. However, they would have to be affordable housing under the rural exception scheme. It was suggested that the local parish plan could be reviewed but it was felt it would be prudent to wait until the Island Plan had been adopted.

Problems with enforcement were highlighted, especially with cutting down of trees and woodland. Mr Brewer said the enforcement team had limited capacity and there was still only one tree officer for the whole Island. He acknowledged that local tree wardens were invaluable and if breaches are confirmed large fines can be imposed. However, with general breaches of planning conditions, they are very difficult to police and this is a national problem.

Mr Brewer ended by giving a live demonstration of the IWC Island Plan website and showed ways to layer the map to find out more detail in any particular area. Mr Brewer was warmly thanked for his interesting presentation and Cllr Fuller was thanked for attending and answering a number of questions.

The presentation ended at 8.50pm and after a comfort break the main meeting commenced at 9pm.

**68/21-22 WARD COUNCILLORS REPORTS:**

Cllr Hastings had emailed a report, which the Clerk had circulated to Cllrs.  
Cllr Spink did not submit a report and left the meeting before this item.

**69/21-22 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:** County Cllr Steve Hastings

**70/21-22 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST REGARDING AGENDA ITEMS:**

Cllr Steve Cowley declared an interest in ‘all things Lee Farm’ and as Treasurer of Wellow Millennium Green committee.

Cllr Thomas Cowley declared an interest in ‘Camp Wight’.

**71/21-22 TO ACCEPT ANY DISPENSATIONS FOR AGENDA ITEMS:** None given

**72/21-22 TO CONFIRM AND APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD 14<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2021:**

Cllr Broadhead proposed the Minutes of the 14<sup>th</sup> July 2021 meeting be agreed, seconded Cllr Thomas Cowley – **resolved**. The Minutes having been agreed were signed by the Chairman as a true record.

**73/21-22 QUESTION TIME (3 minutes per member of public):** Mrs Cowley asked for support to plant 7 more apple trees on the Millennium Green to increase the overall number of trees, particularly as the hazel trees didn’t take. It was agreed this should be an agenda item to resolve financial support.

Mrs Cowley also reported on a problem with a new resident who is insisting on walking his dog on the Green despite the ‘no dogs’ rule. The Parish Council were happy to support the trustees in principle but felt the item needed more detail as to ownership of the Green and the responsibility of the PC, before they could take any direct action. It was agreed that this should be a future agenda item.

It was noted that Mick Franklin is taking part in Walk the Wight once again and it was proposed that a donation could be sent with a card of congratulations. This will also be an agenda item to consider financial support.

**74/21-22 FINANCE/REPORTS:**

**i) To ratify purchase of Parish Council Speedgun (for use by the Parish Speedwatch Team) at a cost of £202.33 - Resolved**

**ii) To agree price for 5 year tree survey:** 3 quotes had been requested, 2 had been received and one declined due to pressure of work. The quote from Mick Jones of TreecareIW ltd of £320 was accepted - **Resolved**

**iii) To agree to pay for 1<sup>st</sup> Aid Training at £25 per session each for two Cllrs - Resolved**

**iv) To agree to purchase a ‘Keep Clear’ sign for Bouldnor Field access gate at a cost of £39 plus fitting: – Resolved.**

**v) To Approve list of payments – copies emailed to Cllrs - resolved.**

| <b>Chq No.</b> | <b>Paid to</b>                       | <b>For</b>                      | <b>Amount</b> |
|----------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------|
| 2117           | West Wight Sports & Community Centre | Donation                        | 3,000.00      |
| SO             | Sally Woods                          | July Salary                     | 900.00        |
| 2178           | Sally Woods                          | Remainder July Salary + mileage | 256.29        |
| DD             | BT                                   | Phone & Broadband               | 53.34         |

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| 2179 | Victim Support                        | Donation                               | 100.00           |
| 2180 | Brighstone Landscaping Ltd            | Open Space Contract April – June 2021  | 2,077.20         |
| 2181 | Cancelled                             |  |                  |
| DC   | Cash                                  | Prizes for Poster Competition          | 50.00            |
| DC   | Amazon                                | Speedgun                               | 202.33           |
| DC   | Amazon                                | Batteries for Speedgun                 | 22.20            |
| DC   | Amazon                                | Unknown                                | 0.07             |
| DC   | NALC                                  | Training – Rural Housing Event         | 38.93            |
| DD   | BT                                    | Sim Card fee                           | 12.00            |
| 2182 | M Warr                                | August Locum Cover + mileage           | 68.70            |
| 2183 | Wight Computers Ltd                   | Add Cllrs photos to website            | 14.86            |
| SO   | Sally Woods                           | August Salary                          | 900.00           |
| 2184 | Sally Woods                           | Remainder August Salary                | 173.15           |
| 2185 | WW Town & Parish Councils Association | Annual Subs                            | 147.50           |
| 2186 | Wight Computers Ltd                   | Updates, Web Hosting & SSL Certificate | 185.70           |
| 2187 | WBS                                   | Stationery                             | 93.28            |
| 2188 | Ringway Island Roads Ltd              | April – Aug 2021 Bin emptying          | 223.98           |
|      |                                       | <b>TOTAL</b>                           | <b>£8,519.53</b> |

### **75/21-22 PLANNING:**

#### **a. Updates and decisions**

##### **IWC Decisions:**

**Granted** – 21/01017/FUL – Land East of Eversleigh, Ningwood Hill – Proposed detached dwelling and formation of new vehicular access (revised scheme)

**Refused** – Land between Sun Meadow and Stone Close, Station Road, Shalfleet – Proposed detached bungalow

A reply had been received to the enquiry regarding s106 monies and this had been circulated to councillors.

#### **b. To agree comments on application: No plans at time of putting together Agenda.**

#### **c. Draft Island Planning Strategy - To agree any comment the Parish Council wish to make. (Document circulated to Cllrs). This item was deferred.**

**76/21-22 FLEETWAY GREEN - TO AGREE WAY FORWARD FOLLOWING REQUEST TO INSTALL OUTDOOR GYM AND SWINGS ON THE GREEN:** This item was deferred to the next meeting

### **77/21-22 QUEENS PLATINUM JUBILEE**

i) Update on Working Party meeting held 11<sup>th</sup> August to discuss proposals for new Parish boundary signs and if agreed to take forward, agree design and locations to be put forward to Island Roads – notes of meeting circulated to Cllrs. The positions of the signs were approved and it was agreed that that the Clerk should begin negotiations with Island Roads regarding implementation. The sign design will be discussed at a future meeting.

ii) Shalfleet Booklet – Cllr Broad gave a brief outline of the proposal for the booklet. This will contain 70 short articles, one article for each year of the queen’s reign. It would be in an A to Z form and the aim is to present every child at the school with a souvenir copy marking the jubilee. Grant funding will be obtained, so financial support from the Parish is not necessarily required. The Councillors were happy to give their support in principle and look forward to hearing more details.

**60/21-22 TO NOTE THE CLERKS REPORT:** This item was deferred to the next meeting

**79/21-22 TO NOTE COUNCILLORS REPORTS:** This item was deferred to the next meeting.

**80/21-22 SPEEDWATCH UPDATE – CLLR STABLES TO SPEAK:** This item was deferred to the next meeting

**81/21-22 PARISH COUNCIL – SOCIAL MEDIA – CLLR THOMAS COWLEY TO SPEAK:**  
This item was deferred to the next meeting

**82/21-22 TO REVIEW SHALFLEET PARISH CUONICL TREE MANAGEMENT POLICY:**  
This item was deferred to the next meeting

Meeting closed at 9.20 pm

It was agreed to hold an extraordinary meeting on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> September at the Wellow Institute to deal with the outstanding items.

**Next scheduled meeting will be held on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2021 at 7.15 pm - Venue to be confirmed.**

Signed..... Date.....