Calbourne, Newtown & Porchfield Parish Council

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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF CALBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL THAT WAS HELD ON MONDAY 2nd OCTOBER 17 AT THE <u>VISITORS CENTRE NEWTOWN COMMENCING AT 7.0PM</u>

4 Members of the public were present.

Questions were raised about the proposed road works and the lack of notification they had received especially since other residents had received letters from Island Roads. The Clerk said she would contact Island Roads on their behalf tomorrow and report back to them the outcome of her conversation.

MEMBERS PRESENT:- Cllr Pike(Chairman), Cllr O'Rorke, Cllr Weeks, Cllr Mathrick and Cllr Chaucer. Also present Cllr Hutchinson, Isle of Wight Council.

168/17 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Blackwood.

169/17 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

170/17 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THE 4TH SEPTEMBER 2017 The minutes of the meeting held on the 4th September 2017 were approved and duly signed.

171/17 TO RECEIVE REPORT FROM COUNCILLOR HUTCHINSON ISLE OF WIGHT COUNCIL

Cllr Hutchinson was welcomed to the meeting. Prior to giving his report Cllr O'Rorke raised the problems with him that she encountered in the reception area of County Hall including lack of directional signage at to where people have to go. Cllr Hutchinson agreed to take it up.

Cllr Hutchinson reported that they are working in detail on producing a Corporate Plan with Action Points and Time Scale. The reports need to be in simple English. The statistics need simplifying and making more understandable and he had already spoken to an officer for this to be done.

Cllr Pike raised the problem with the response he had received from Island Roads regarding white lining in Porchfield. It was suggested that the Clerk talks to Cllr Ward and asks who is the best officer to come out and meets the Council?

172/17 TO COMMENT ON THE FOLLOWING PLANNING APPLICATION AND ANY THAT ARE RECEIVED PRIOR TO THE COUNCIL MEETING.

P/01109/07 Hummets, New Road Porchfield.

RESOLVED:-

THAT the Council has no objection to this planning application.

173/17 TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE THE FINANCIAL REPORTS.

a. To receive and the BDO Audit Report 2016-17 and to approve and accept the Annual Return. The Council received the BDO Audit Report for 2016-17 and approved and accepted the Annual Return.

b. To agree the payment of bills including annual insurance

The Clerk reported that the cheque issued to Brighstone Landscaping last month had not been received by them and it has been cancelled and was being paid with this month's bill. **RESOLVED:-**

THAT the following bills be paid:- BDL £156, Brighstone Landscaping £67.76, Office £70.30, Zurich Insurance £256.60, Island Roads Waste collection £62.04

c. To agree payment of Clerks Conference (half paid by Whippingham and half paid by Calbourne)

RESOLVED:-

THAT the Council would pay half for the Clerks Conference. Paid SLCC Enterprise Ltd £189.00

174/17 TO COMMENT ON THE RESPONSE RECEIVED FROM ISLAND ROADS ON THE WHITE LINE MARKING IN UNDERWOOD LANE.

This matter had been raised earlier with Cllr Hutchinson.

RESOLVED:-

THAT the Council will hold a special meeting to meet with an Officer of Island Roads.

175/17 CLLR O'RORKE TO REPORT BACK ON THE BARNARDO'S MEETING ATTENDED ON BEHALF OF THE PARISH COUNCIL.

Councillor O'Rorke reported that this was an agency information sharing meeting of agencies in West Wight that were supporting children and families. It was planned that the meetings would take place every three months. Cllr O'Rorke said she was happy to continue to attend them on behalf of the Council.

Cllr O'Rorke was thanked and asked to continue to attend the meetings.

176/17 CLLR PIKE TO REPORT BACK ON MEETING WITH NATIONAL TRUST

Cllr Pike reported back on his meeting with the National Trust. It was said that the Visitors Centre was to be updated . It was also reported that they had 800,000 visitors last year. He also reported that the Town Hall has an electricity supply but it is a supply to wall plugs and not lighting.

177/17 INVITATION TO ATTEND SEMINAR FROM CLLR DAVE STEWART ON 20TH NOVEMBER 2017 Cllr Pike to attend Seminar with Clerk

178/17 TO APPROVE AND ADOPT A GRANT POLICY FOR CALBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL RESOLVED:-

THAT the Council adopts the Grants Policy for Calbourne Parish Council.

179/17 CLERKS REPORT ON CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED FROM ISLE OF WIGHT COUNCIL AND OTHERS PRIOR TO THE MEETING.

> Daffodil bulbs from Best Kept Village Organisation.

The Best Kept Village Organisation donated a bag of daffodil bulbs for Porchfield and also for Calbourne.

The Porchfield bag had been handed over to Della via the Village Hall, to distribute. The Calbourne bag had been dropped off at Calbourne Mill and it was agreed that the Cllrs Weeks, Chaucer and O'Rorke would decide where they needed planting or who they needed distributing to.

> None Residential Care Charging Policy Consultation (for comment)

The Council discussed the proposed None Residential Care Changing Policy. **RESOLVED:**-

THAT the Council do not support this policy that hits the most disabled on the Isle of Wight.

> Thank you letters

Thank you letters had been received from Citizens Advice and AGE UK IOW for the grants. The letters were noted.

180/17 MATTERS RAISED PARISH COUNCILLORS.

The matter of licences for events was raised. The Clerk agreed to write to licencing asking to be notified of all licences in the Caslbourne Parish Area.

Complaints were raised about the large amount of mud on the roads and that nothing seems to be done about it. Clerk to investigate if farmers are being pursued over this matter.

Training. Councillors were asked if they wanted to do Chairmanship Training with Bembridge it was 1 sessions per week over 2 weeks to be held in November. Three Councillors wanted to attend.