

Calbourne, Newtown & Porchfield Parish Council

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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF CALBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL THAT WAS HELD ON MONDAY 13th MAY 2019 AT NEWTOWN TOWN HALL COMMENCING AFTER THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

MEMBERS PRESENT:- Cllr Pike (Chairman), Cllr O'Rorke Cllr Blackmore, Cllr Chaucer and Cllr Mathrick also present Cllr Hutchinson Isle of Wight Councillor

326/19 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN AND SIGNING OF THE DECLARATION OF OFFICE.

Cllr Pike was duly elected Chairman and read and signed the declaration of office.

327/19 ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

The Council decided not to elect a Vice-Chairman.

Cllr Pike opened the meeting up to public question time.

4 Members of the public were in attendance.

The Agent for Mr and Mrs Rolfe came and spoke to the Parish Council on behalf of Mr and Mrs Rolfe who wished to build a house for themselves at 5 Acres.

Cllr Pike thanked them for attending.

324/19 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Weeks.

The Clerk brought forward a request from Cllr Weeks for the Council to grant her a dispensation of attending the meetings at this moment in time due to serious personal circumstances.

The Council unanimously agreed to this request.

325/19 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr O'Rorke declared a pecuniary interest in agenda item 330/19

328/19 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THE 4TH MARCH 2019

The Minutes of the meeting held on the 4th March 2019 were approved and duly signed.

329/19 TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM COUNCILLOR HUTCHINSON ISLE OF WIGHT COUNCILLOR

Cllr Hutchinson reported that at the next full Isle of Wight Council Meeting on the 15th May 2019 he is recommending to the Council the Change of name to Calbourne Newtown and Porchfield Parish Council. Cllr Hutchinson was thanked for his help and support on this matter.

He reported there had been 2 serious accidents in a month. The Planning Portal was raised, and he was informed it was a nightmare and impossible to use as you cannot do a search on it like you could on the old one.

330/19 TO COMMENT ON THE FOLLOWING PLANNING APPLICATION AND ANY THAT ARE RECEIVED PRIOR TO THE MEETING

Application No	Location	Proposal
TCP/06637/G - P/00232/19	Five Acres, Elm Lane, Calbourne, Newport, Isle Of Wight, PO304JT	Proposed detached dwelling with parking area

RESOLVED:-

That Calbourne Parish Council is concerned to see another planning application for a house on this site. The previous application was for a holiday chalet which was refused by the Isle of Wight Council and refused on appeal. This site lies outside the Development Envelope for the area and is classed as agricultural land in this rural location. This site is situated in open countryside.

The design of the proposed house is not appropriate and out of keeping with this small hamlet. Due to its siting it would be poorly related to the scattered housing in the surrounding area and would appear as a somewhat alien feature in its surrounding. If this application is allowed it would lead to the progressive undermining of the character of the countryside. This proposal does not fit in with CS Policy DM 2 and DM12 nor does it comply with CS Policy SP4.

On the planning application form it does not state that that on adjacent land there are nesting barn owls that are a protected species and they are on an amber warning list. Regarding the character of the countryside this would seriously detract from the rural character and appearance of the area. Due to the Grade 2 listed buildings in this small hamlet close to this site it is at odds with CS Policy DM11. This application also goes against Planning Policy SP1 as this land falls outside a defined settlement boundary.

The restrictions and conditions that exist for the site have not been complied with for example the field is at present divided by fencing, no means of surface water disposal from the existing stable block to avoid any pollution of any water course to name but two.

Calbourne Parish Council objects strongly to this planning application and asks the Isle of Wight Council to refuse the application.

331/19 TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE THE FINANCIAL REPORTS.

- a. **To agree the payment of bills for April 2019**
It was agreed the following bills be paid:- Visionict £152.20, Brighstone Landscaping £66.69, Citizens Advise Isle of Wight £350.00.
- b. **Summary of payments and receipt for March 2019**
Noted.
- c. **To consider replacing dog bin at Newtown**
Clerk to find out if Island Roads put it up and cost of new bin.
- d. **Internal Auditors Report**
The Council accepted the Internal Auditors Report
- e. **Annual Governance Statement**
The Annual Governance statement was agreed and approved by the Council

332/19 TO DISCUSS THE GRASS CUTTING AT CALBOURNE AND TO CONSIDER EXTENDING EXISTING CONTRACT.

Councillors discussed the need to replace the contractor for cutting the grass on the village green at Calbourne as well as the Cemetery.

RESOLVED:-

THAT Brighstone Landscaping would be asked to take over cutting the grass at Calbourne for this financial year. The Clerk had obtained costs for doing this and they were reasonable.

333/19 CLERKS REPORT FOR DISCUSSION AND DECISIONS

- **Letter received from Island Cottages Ltd.**
The Clerk reported on a letter she had received from island Cottages. The Chairman was going to take up the contents of the letter with the National Trust.
- **Ownership of Village Green**
The Clerk reported after some research it turns out the Parish Council owns it.
- **Sign for village green**
The Council rejected the idea of a sign on the village green.
- **Porchfield Village Hall fibre network**
The Council considered it was not value for money as too few people would benefit from it.

334/19 COUNCIL TO DISCUSS AND DECIDE WHAT TO DO ABOUT PORCHFIELD WAR MEMORIAL

The Council discussed Porchfield War Memorial. It was felt that we need to find out if there is any enthusiasm to fundraise for a new War Memorial. The village hall committee are to be asked their views.

335/19 MATTERS RAISED PARISH COUNCILLORS

The issue of repairs to the car parking area at the hall was raised. Councillors were informed we were not responsible for it.

Signed

Date