

Chillerton & Gatcombe Parish Council



MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF CHILLERTON & GATCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 13 MAY 2025 AT 6.40PM AT THE VILLAGE HALL, MAIN ROAD, CHILLERTON

Present: Councillors Laursen (Chairman) Newton & Smith.

In attendance: Debbie Faulkner, Parish Clerk; Former Parish Councillor John Hobart; IW Councillor Caroline Gladwin; 4 members of the public.

4184 PUBLIC QUESTIONS

No questions were raised by members of the public.

4185 ELECTION OF A CHAIRMAN

Councillor Laursen was proposed as Chairman by Councillor Newton and seconded by Councillor Smith. After a show of hands, it was:

RESOLVED

That Councillor Laursen be appointed as Chairman of Chillerton and Gatcombe Parish Council for the Municipal Year 2025 / 2026.

4186 ELECTION OF A DEPUTY CHAIRMAN

Councillor Newton was proposed by Councillor Laursen but there was not a seconder. It was agreed:

ACTION

The appointment of a Deputy Chairman be deferred until the next Parish Council meeting.

4187 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Whiteman.

4188 DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY INTEREST

No declarations of interest were received.

4189 APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES

- IWALC (Isle of Wight Association of Local Councils) – Appointment deferred to the next Parish Council meeting.
- Chillerton and Gatcombe Community Association – Councillor Laursen.

4190 STANDING ORDERS

A review of Standing Orders was undertaken, it was:

RESOLVED

That Chillerton and Gatcombe Parish Council approve the Standing Orders.

4191 FINANCIAL REGULATIONS

A review of Financial Regulations was undertaken, it was:

RESOLVED

That Chillerton and Gatcombe Parish Council approve the Financial Regulations.

4192 REGISTER OF INTERESTS

The Parish Clerk reminded Councillors to complete a new Register of Interest form within 28 days of the election on 1 May 2025.

4193 MINUTES

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 1 April 2025, be taken as read, approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

4194 PLANNING

a) Councillors received details of the following Planning Decision:

Application Nos: 25/00297/HOU & 25/00298/LBC

Location: Hill Farm, Rectory Lane

Proposal: Demolition of existing two storey extension on rear elevation; proposed two storey extension on rear elevation and Listed Building Consent for the proposed works.

Decision: Planning Permission Granted.

4195 HEALTHY COMMUNITIES

There were no healthy community matters to consider.

4196 ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS

a) **Hedge around Chillerton Play Area (Min Nos 4113d2, 4126c and 4139c refer)**

The landowner has still not responded to a request to plant trees around Chillerton play area. Without permission, it will be difficult to consider the options that may be available from the Woodland Trust.

e) **Dog bin at Berry Lane (Min No 4126e & 4139d refer)**

The Parish Clerk has been unable to obtain a price from Island Roads to replace the dog bin lid at Berry Lane. It was agreed:

ACTION

Councillor Laursen will purchase a dog bin lid from a recognised supplier.

4197 TRANSPORT AND TRAFFIC

a) **Isle of Wight Council Speed Review**

Councillors acknowledged that there was no mention of Gatcombe Road or any other areas in Chillerton and Gatcombe when the Speed Review went to the IW Council's Cabinet in January 2025. It was agreed:

ACTION

Councillor Laursen will obtain data from the local speed gun and send to the police.

4198 REPORTS / OTHER MINUTES

a) **Chillerton and Gatcombe Community Association**

The Minutes of the Chillerton and Gatcombe Community Association meeting held on 15 April 2025 were received and noted.

4199 PARISH COUNCILLOR VACANCY

Following the Parish Council election on 1 May 2025, there remains a vacancy on Chillerton and Gatcombe Parish Council. It was agreed:

ACTION

The Parish Clerk will publicise the co-option vacancy.

4200 FINANCE

a) Financial Statement as at 30 April 2025

The balance in the bank account as at 30 April 2025 was £25,386.72. It was:

RESOLVED

That Chillerton and Gatcombe Parish Council receive, note and approve the Financial Statement of £25,386.72 as at 30 April 2025.

b) Accounts payable for April 2025

The accounts payable for April 2025 total £839.37.

D. Faulkner	March Salary	598.52
D. Faulkner	March PAYE	30.60
D. Faulkner	Travel	9.00
D. Faulkner	Homeworking Allowances	25.00
DT Ground Care	Grass Cutting	86.00
Lloyds Bank	Service Charges	4.25
DT Ground Care	Grass Cutting	86.00

It was:

RESOLVED

That Chillerton and Gatcombe Parish Council receive, note and approve the accounts payable of £839.37 for April 2025.

4201 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- To consider setting aside sums of money from the budget for the benefit of the community e.g. travel for competitors to sporting events.
- Felled trees at Gatcombe Shute.
- Village Plan.

4202 NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of Chillerton and Gatcombe Parish Council will be at **6.30pm on Tuesday 3 June 2025 at The Village Hall, Main Road, Chillerton.**

The proceedings terminated at 7.16pm

CHAIRMAN