



Chillerton & Gatcombe Parish Council



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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF CHILLERTON & GATCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL HELD
ON TUESDAY 14th SEPTEMBER 2021, 7pm AT ST OLAVES CHURCH, GATCOMBE

Present: Councillors Nigel Phillips (Chairman), Peter Whiteman, John Hobart,
Elizabeth Smith and Sara McWilliam

Also Present: Mrs M Warr (Clerk)
5 members of the public

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

None

1825. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from IW Cllr Ellis

1826. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY OR NON-PECUNIARY INTEREST

Cllrs Phillips and Whiteman declared non-pecuniary interests in matters relating to the Chillerton and Gatcombe Community Association as the Treasurer and Chairman to the Association respectively.

Cllr Phillips declared a non-pecuniary interest in the Save our Schools campaign.

1827. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 6th July were presented.

That, the minutes of the meeting, held on 6th July are approved as a true record.

1828. PLANNING

New Plans

21/01648/HOU, Bank Cottage, Main Road - Proposed one and a half storey side extension; replacement raised roof to existing single storey extension to form additional living accommodation at first floor level; alterations; detached garage and hardstanding.

RESOLVED: that, Chillerton and Gatcombe PC would support the application, particularly in relation to the retention of the original character of the building.

21/01730/HOU, Larkrise, Main Road - Alterations and conversion of garage to form bedroom; replacement raised roof to include dormer windows on front and rear elevation to form additional living accommodation at 1st floor level

RESOLVED: that, Chillerton and Gatcombe PC would raise no objection to the design of the extension but have concerns over the loss of the bank and inclusion of a concrete surface for the driveway. The Parish Council request that if the IWC are

minded to grant the application, that the driveway surface is made of permeable material to allow rainwater to drain more easily.

IWC Decisions

It was noted that the following application was granted – 21/01348/HOU, Pond Cottage, Gatcombe Village Road – Demolition of Garage; proposed detached garage.

Draft Island Planning Strategy Consultation

The PC had a presentation on 7th September from the IWC Planning Policy team and a copy of the presentation and the notes from the meeting are attached to these minutes. The Chairman put forward a detailed submission and this was agreed. A copy of the submission is also attached to the minutes. Residents are urged to make individual submissions before the deadline of 1st October.

RESOLVED: That, a detailed submission would be made in response to the Draft Island Planning Strategy Consultation (see attached)

1829. CHILLERTON AND ROOKLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

The Chairman gave a brief update on the 'Save Our School' campaign. A report is expected from IWC, on 14th October, and this will contain options for the School. A meeting had taken place with representative of Hampshire County Council and there was a favourable response to the proposal for a multi academy trust with the Free School. It is hoped this will be one of the options considered by IW Cllr Andre. It was noted that in the draft IP Strategy an expansion of Godshill and Rookley is proposed but details of education provision has not been addressed.

It was noted that the application to register the School as a community asset will be determined on 29th October

1830. HEALTHY COMMUNITIES

- Newsletters – several items were considered for the newsletter including the monthly markets and Speedwatch. The Clerk and Ms Webster will liaise in the next few weeks to compile the items.
- Notice Boards – it was noted that the notice board in Gatcombe should be in place by the end of the month.
- Village Events – the initiative to plant a tree for the Queens Jubilee was discussed. Mr & Mrs Goodenough had offered to plant and maintain a tree on the Village Green. Other suggestions were also considered, including native hedge planting. Proposals will be investigated and brought back to a future meeting.
- Community Support – no items to discuss
- Community Buildings – no items to discuss
- Walk Leaflets – it was noted that in the latest edition of the IW Ramblers 'Walk Talk' there is an item promoting the walks, A reprint of two of the leaflets has recently been made.
- Resilience Plan – Rev Sutcliffe was in attendance and welcomed the proposal for St Olaves Church to be the evacuation/community liaison centre for Gatcombe

1831. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENTS

- Grass cutting – a complaint had been received regarding grass cuttings being thrown into the farmer’s field from the play area. Mr Hayden will be approached and other options for grass disposal will be discussed.
- Dog Bins – no items to discuss
- Furniture Maintenance – no items to discuss
- Play Area – it was noted that maintenance repairs to the play area will be completed over the next few weeks. A complaint had been received regarding the nettles and weeds around the bench and holes in the fence. This will be addressed, and consideration will be given to install a new bench. Mr& Mrs Goodenough had offered to trim the sweet chestnut tree and the offer was accepted.
- World Wars Memorial Project – no items to discuss
- Community Initiatives to enhance the Environment – a lengthy discussion took place on the reply from IWC Rights of Way regarding cutting of footpaths and bridleways. Members felt that the ecological importance of the pathways was not appreciated but RoW and other options for maintenance could be achieved. It was agreed to ask for a meeting with Darrel Clarke to talk through alternatives. Ms Belben offered to compile a list of priority paths and Cllr Hobart agreed to raise the subject at the next LAF meeting.

RESOLVED: that a face-to face meeting with IWC Rights of Way would be requested to discuss a future maintenance program for footpaths and bridleways in the Parish.

1832. TRANSPORT AND TRAFFIC

- Traffic calming measures – a meeting took place with IW Cllr Phil Jordan on 28th July to discuss traffic calming and he asked the parish to put forward three options as funds were limited. It was acknowledged that no action would progress until after the all-island speed review takes place.
- To consider the Speedwatch scheme – the scheme was discussed, and it was noted that in the past there had been a push back from the residents. However, a few volunteers had expressed an interest and an item will be put in the next newsletter to gauge opinion.
- Electric Charging Point – locations for a designated bay were discussed and Cllr Whiteman proposed one of the parking bays adjacent to the Village Hall. He suggested that if the World War memorial was also located in the vicinity, people charging their cars could have something informative to read. Other suggested locations included near St Olaves’ Church, and further along Main Road from the Village Hall, near the properties owned by Southern Housing. Funding streams will be investigated. and advice will be sought from Bembridge PC who have recently installed a charging point.

RESOLVED: that funding streams for electric charging points will be investigated and Bembridge PC will be approached for advice on installation and maintenance.

1833. REPORTS

- CCGA – Cllr Whiteman reported on events happening at the Gallybagger including the photo competition results on 17th September and a McMillan coffee morning on 18th September. A tree will also be planted on the bank for the Queen’s Jubilee. The Village Hall fence has been completed and some further upgrade to the external areas at the Gallybagger will happen soon. Since the reopening in July the facility is being well used and the feedback is good. Future events will focus on community needs and several new residents have volunteered to join the committee.
- IWALC – Cllr Hobart had circulated a report on the AGM and the next Executive meeting is not until 30th September.
- IWC – Cllr Ellis was unable to attend.

1834. FINANCE

a) **RESOLVED:**

That, the financial statements are accepted and approved

b) **RESOLVED:**

To pass the following accounts for payment:

- M Warr – salary July - £235.10 (Paid August)
- M Warr - Salary August -£235.50
- D Hayden – grass cuts 7 & 8 - £120.00 (Paid August)
- D Hayden – grass cuts 9 & 10 - £120.00
- Island Roads – installation of bins - £577.60 (£96.27 VAT) (Paid August)
- Beardsalls – walks leaflets - £51.72
- Wicksteed – swing shackles - £43.80

1835. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Several items had been identified during the meeting.

1836. NEXT MEETINGS

The next meeting was confirmed as Tuesday 5th October 2021, 7pm, at the Village Hall.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.40pm

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Date. -----