



# Chillerton & Gatcombe Parish Council



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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF CHILLERTON & GATCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 1<sup>st</sup> February 2022, 7pm AT THE VILLAGE HALL, HOLLOW LANE, CHILLERTON

Present: Councillors Nigel Phillips (Chairman), Peter Whiteman and Sara McWilliam

Also Present: Mr Lindsey Hood (Clerk)  
Senad Adams – Environment Officer  
2 members of the public  
IW Cllr Suzie Ellis

## SENAD ADAMS – ENVIROMENT OFFICER

Senad Adams made a short report of her recent survey of the parish which is attached to these minutes

## PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

A member of the public suggested a “Lest We Forget” metal bench would make a fitting addition to the War Memorial project.

A member of the public commented that the amount of rubbish on the roadside in the Isle of Wight as a whole seems to have become much worse recently. Cllr Suzie Ellis advised that she is currently part of a working party that are trying to tackle the problems of fly tipping and rubbish in general. She advised that it would always be beneficial to report any kind of fly tipping or rubbish at the side of the road via the council’s website. It was mentioned that the problem of litter on the side of roads seems to get worse when the hedges/verges at the side of the road are cut. Why are the contractors who are responsible for cutting not also tasked with clearing the rubbish? Cllr Ellis advised that unfortunately, the responsibility of cutting and rubbish clearance are not with the same contractor and do not seem to be aligned. Cllr Ellis will forward the contact details of the Waste Management Team.

## 1873 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Hobart and Cllr Smith

## 1874 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 Vice-Chairman to the Association respectively. Cllr Phillips and Whiteman declared a non-pecuniary interest in the Save our School campaign.

1875 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> January were presented. Cllr Hobart had contacted the Clerk via email to advise that item 1879, it was not the AONB who are responsible for the cutting and maintenance of the hedges. It is ROW and Island Roads that manage the cutting and maintenance.

**RESOLVED: That, the minutes of the meeting, held on 4th January with the above amendment are approved and signed as a true record.**

1876 CHILLERTON AND ROOKLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

The Chairman confirmed that there have been no further updates. Cllr Ellis advised that she was expecting further updates on 5<sup>th</sup> February.

1877 PLANNING

It was noted that application 21/02399/FUL Fox and Hounds Cottage, Main Road, Chillerton, PO30 3ER has been refused planning permission

1878 HEALTHY COMMUNITIES

- Newsletter – the Clerk showed a copy of the newsletter along with a copy of the traffic survey. A copy of the C&G Horticultural Society annual diary will be supplied and will be delivered with the newsletter.
- Notice Boards – no items to discuss
- Village Events –
  - another card has been received expressing thanks to all those involved in the Christmas gift bags
  - Queens Platinum Jubilee celebrations – the CGCA would like to propose a combined celebration on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2022 involving as many parish organisations as possible. CGCA will arrange the meeting
  - C&G Horticultural Society – it was agreed that the Village Green could be used for the annual flower show on 30<sup>th</sup> July 2022

**RESOLVED: that, the Clerk will contact C&G Horticultural Society**

- Community Buildings – Cllr Phillips advised that unfortunately the original position suggested for the defibrillator is not suitable and the alternate position is outside. This means that a heated cabinet would be needed. Cllr Phillips advised that the CGCA have agreed to fund 50% of the cost for the heated cabinet and asked that C&GPC fund the balance. It was unanimously agreed to co-fund the heated cabinet for the defibrillator with the CGCA.

**RESOLVED: that, the Parish Council will co-fund the heated cabinet for the defibrillator with the CGCA**

1879 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENTS

- Grass Cutting – the grass/hedge cutting tender is included in the newsletter.
- Dog bins – it was noted that again one of the dog bins has been filled by carrier bags full of dog waste brought by cars and that the bin on Brook Lane is half full.

Cllr Whiteman had not been able to remove the dog bag dispenser as yet.

**RESOLVED: that, Cllr Whiteman will remove the dog bag dispensers**

- Furniture Maintenance – no items to discuss
- World Wars Memorial Project – no items to discuss
- Community Initiatives to enhance the Environment
  - Footpaths
    - G11- an email had been received advising that signage at each end of footpath G11 was not visible and post located in the middle of the path to deter cyclists had rotted away. It was decided that it was the responsibility of ROW to ensure that signage and posts on footpath G11 are visible and in place.
    - G10 – the parish have paid to have the verge cut back (not the responsibility of ROW) in previous years but cutting is not required this year.

**RESOLVED: that, the Clerk will continue to chase ROW to replace the rotten posts on G11 and make sure the signs are visible.**

- Neighbourhood Watch – no items to discuss
- Brook naming – a request for suggestions from residents has been included in the newsletter
- Dangerous Trees in Gatcombe – the Clerk contacted the District Steward who advised that a survey of the area would not be possible due to cost and time. It was suggested that the location of any dangerous trees be noted and they would be surveyed individually. As Cllr Smith was unable to attend the meeting, it was decided to hold this item over to the next C&GPC meeting. It was noted that Southern Electric do have the power to remove trees that are causing danger to their equipment.

**RESOLVED: that, this item will be carried over to the next C&GPC meeting.**

Cllr Ellis left the meeting for another appointment.

- Toad and Squirrel Signs – pricing for posters was presented. It was noted that the signs presented did not include toads.

**RESOLVED: that, the Clerk will investigate signs to find alternate squirrel signs and examples of toad signs.**

- Gatcombe Church – no items to discuss
- Hedge Planting – Gillian Belben reported that she had met a contractor on the site of the Jubilee Hedge and, due to the high number of trees, it would only be possible to undertake the planting on the first 180m. The Clerk reported that only one quote had been received for the removal of the old fencing at a cost of £560. Two other contractors had been contacted and asked to quote. Unfortunately, no other quotes had been forthcoming at the time of the meeting. It was unanimously decided that, due to time constraints, the Clerk would instruct the contractor that work should go ahead as per the received quotation. The grant amount for the removal of the old fencing is £290 – it was unanimously agreed that CGCPC would pay

the balance of £270.

The IOW Wildlife Trust have indicated that they would be able to supply qualified volunteers, to work along side volunteers from C&G, to prepare the ground and plant the hedgerow. The only requirement is that they would ask that biodegradable tree guards and hard wood (not bamboo) supports are used. The cost of this will be investigated and discussed with them. Gillian Belben volunteered to speak The IOW Wildlife Trust on behalf of C&GPC.

**RESOLVED: that, the Clerk will submit the grant application to FiPL/AONB and contact TEBS IOW Ltd**

1880 TRANSPORT AND TRAFFIC

- Transport (Winter Service) – No reply had been received from Southern Vectis regarding the route of the No.6 bus. The Clerk will chase

**RESOLVED: that, the Clerk will chase Southern Vectis**

- Traffic calming measures – the traffic is included in the newsletter

1881 REPORTS

- Cllr Ellis gave a short report which is attached to these minutes. It was noted that C&GPC have not been asked for their formal input on what speeds are wanted within the parish. Cllr Whiteman asked what funds are available to tackle the speeding problems in villages all over the Isle of Wight?
- Cllr Whiteman reported CGCA events have started again. There is a quiz night on 11<sup>th</sup> February. Risk assessment have been completed.
- Cllr Whiteman reported IWALC membership invoices had been sent with a slight increase on membership cost from last year. Training was being organised, some face-to-face, some online. The cost for no-members to attend training session has increased from £50 to £75 and a “no show” fee of £50 will be charged to anyone who books on the training but then does not attend without notice.

1882 NEW SIGNATORY ON PARISH COUNCIL BANK ACCOUNT

It was agreed that the following changes are to take effect to the C&GPC bank account with Lloyds Bank

- Maxine Warr to be removed as a signatory
- Nigel Phillips added as a signatory
- Lindsey Hood added a signatory

**RESOLVED: that, the Clerk will forward the signed form to Lloyds Bank for the above changes to be made**

1883 FINANCE

a) **RESOLVED: That, the financial statements are accepted and approved**

b) **RESOLVED: To pass the following accounts for payment:**

- L Hood – salary December - £258.38
- L Hood – salary January - £421.50
- M Warr – extra hours for handover - £136.80
- C Phillips Services – concrete bases for dog waste bin and PC noticeboards -

£180.00

- Beardsalls – greeting cards - £26.88

1884 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Shooting in Chillerton – posts for village green – beaver consultation – C&GPC risk assessment schedule

1885 NEXT MEETINGS

The next meeting was confirmed as Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2022, 7pm, at the Village Hall. There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.55pm

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