



# Chillerton & Gatcombe Parish Council



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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF CHILLERTON & GATCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 6<sup>th</sup> JULY 2021, 7pm AT THE VILLAGE HALL AND BY VIDEO LINK,

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

Also Present: Mrs M Warr (Clerk)  
2 members of the public by video link

## PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

A written question had been submitted asking for help with removal of an abandoned car, at the bottom of G13, as it is being vandalised. The Clerk will follow this up with Island Roads and the Police.

## **1814.** APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from IW Cllr Ellis as she was attending another meeting. She hoped to join the meeting later but was unable to due to technical issues.

## **1815.** 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.

Cllr Smith declared a pecuniary interest in the update item regarding water issues in Gatcombe as she is in receipt of free water under the Seely agreement.

## **1816.** MINUTES

The minutes of the Annual Parish, Annual and monthly meetings, held on 18<sup>th</sup> May were presented.

Matters arising (for information only).

- Water issues in Gatcombe – a resident of Gatcombe had issues with a broken water pipe, this has been passed on to Southern Water
- Hunt hounds – the summer walking schedule has been circulated and a third hand report of incident with one of the hounds has been brought to the attention of the PC.

**That, the minutes of the Annual Parish, Annual and monthly meetings, held on 18<sup>th</sup> May are approved as a true record.**

**1817. CHILLERTON AND ROOKLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL**

Cllr Phillips gave an update on the 'Save Our School' campaign. A new forward plan had been submitted for flexi schooling. A prospective headteacher had been identified along with a board of governors. There is a meeting with Richard Vaughan, from Hampshire County Council, scheduled for early August, ahead of a decision by IW Cllr Debbie Andre. The school will open in September with limited provision, but a longer-term future still needs to be secured.

It was noted that the application to register the school as a community asset has been lodged with the IW Council.

**1818. HEALTHY COMMUNITIES**

- *Newsletters* – it was agreed that the next newsletter will be distributed in September
- *Notice Boards* – the notice board in Gatcombe will be in place next month
- *Village Events/Community Support* – 'Spruce up Sunday' was confirmed as 22<sup>nd</sup> August. Details will be circulated and areas requiring attention will be co-ordinated by the Clerk.
- *Community Buildings* – no items to discuss
- *Walk Leaflets* – The Ramblers Association are including an item on the Chillerton walks in their next newsletter and ahead of this being published, a request for an additional reprint of two of the leaflets has been received. It was agreed to fund the cost of reprinting 100 leaflets - £51.72.

**RESOLVED: that,**

**Spruce up Sunday will be held on 22<sup>nd</sup> August**

**100 walk leaflets will be reprinted at a cost of £51.72**

**1819. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENTS**

- *Grass cutting* – no items to discuss
- *Dog Bins* – there was some doubt that the dog waste bin at Gatcombe had been installed and this will be checked. It was also felt that further information should be circulated confirming that litter bins can be used for dog waste bags. An item will be included in the next newsletter and through YPM.
- *Furniture Maintenance* – no items to discuss
- *Play Area* – the play area inspection was noted, and it was agreed to ask a local contractor, who is used by Shalfleet PC, to quote for remedial work.
- *World Wars Memorial Project* – it was agreed to contact the Commonwealth War Grave Commission for advice before progressing this project.
- *Community Initiatives to enhance the Environment* – a number of complaints had been received about overgrown footpaths. The recent inclement weather had caused a surge in weeds and some footpaths and bridleways had become impassable. G16b, G6, G9 and G11 in particular were causing problems. It was agreed that these needed a 'sensitive' cut rather than a full strim. The Ramblers Association and Green Gym will be contacted for advice and action.

**RESOLVED: that:**

**An outside contractor will be contacted to quote for remedial work at the play area**

**A sensitive cut will be carried out on footpaths G16b, G6, G9 and G11**

**1820. TRANSPORT AND TRAFFIC**

- *Speed Signage Relocation* – no items to discuss
- *Transport (Winter Service)* – no items to discuss
- *Traffic Calming Measures* – a paper from Cllr Whiteman was discussed regarding traffic calming measures along Main Road. It was agreed to invite IW Cllr Phil Jordan to visit the Village to discuss further. It was acknowledged that any requests for reduction in speed limits in the Villages will not be considered until the island wide review takes place.

**RESOLVED: that, IW Cllr Phil Jordan will be invited to Chillerton to discuss traffic calming measures**

**1821. REPORTS**

- CCGA – Cllr Whiteman reported that the Gallybagger was ready for the grand opening on 24<sup>th</sup> July. There will be a soft opening on 19<sup>th</sup> July from 1pm to 4pm. Cllr Phillips reported that a number of government grants, totalling £42,000, had enabled the refurbishing of both the Village Hall and the Gallybagger. A further program of improvements, including disabled access to the Gallybagger, is being developed. The Gallybagger will be open on Fridays from 4pm, Saturdays from 7 – 11pm and Sundays from 12 to 2pm. Folk Evenings will be held on the last Thursday of the month and the snooker team will use the building on Mondays and some Wednesdays. A future events program will also be developed.
- IWALC – Cllr Hobart attended a recent meeting and a report was circulated. Cllr Hobart agreed to stand in for Cllr Whiteman until IWALC resume face to face meetings.
- IW Cllr Ellis was unable to attend but submitted a report which had been circulated. A copy is available on the website.

**1822. FINANCE**

**a) RESOLVED:**

**That, the financial statements are accepted and approved**

**b) RESOLVED:**

**To pass the following accounts for payment:**

- M Warr – salary May - £235.50
- D Hayden – grass cuts 4 & 5 -£120.00
- Play Safety ROSPA – inspection - £90.60
- M Warr – salary June - £235.70
- HMRC – Qrt 1 - £165.80
- D Hayden – grass cuts 5 & 6 - £120.00

1823. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Queen's Green Canopy

1824. NEXT MEETINGS

- The next meeting was confirmed as Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2021, 7pm, at St Olave's Church. There will not be a meeting in August, unless time bound issues arise.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.38pm.

Signed -----

Date. -----