



## MINUTES

### Meeting of Lake Parish Council held on Wednesday 11 October 2017 at Broadlea School, Newport Rd, Lake, commencing at 19.30

#### **Present**

**Chairman** Mrs S. Horton

**Councillors** Mrs N. Goodall, Mrs S. Hardy, Mr A. Whittaker, Mr T. Outlaw, Mr H. Price, Mr D. Stephens, Miss V. Theobald, Mrs B. Young

**In attendance** Mr M. R. Taplin, Clerk; PCSO J. May, eight members of the public

**From the floor** Mr Marshall thanked the Parish Council and particularly Cllr Blezzard, for input to the Spithead park planning application, considered by the Planning Committee on 2 October. Although the application for additional parking spaces had been granted, there was a condition to require mature trees and shrubs to be planted to restore the barrier between them and the adjacent properties. Bob Seely MP had also expressed his support for the trees. Mr Marshall also said the sponsored signs on Morrison's roundabout were creating a traffic hazard by blocking the view of indicators on approaching vehicles.

#### **60/17 New Councillor**

The Chairman welcomed Mr 'Tig' Outlaw to the meeting consequent upon his election on 14 September. Cllr Oulaw signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

#### **61/17 Apologies for absence**

Cllr B Blezzard, IW Cllr P Brading

#### **62/17 To receive any declarations of interest in agenda items**

None

#### **63/17 To resolve approval of minutes of the meeting held on 13 September 2017**

It was **resolved** to confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 13 September, and these were signed by the Chairman.

#### **64/17 Update from Safer Neighbourhoods Policing Team**

PCSO May said that crime remained at a low level, with the last 28 days showing 2 criminal damage, 3 public order, 1 shoplifting, 1 drug and 5 common assault incidents. There had been increased patrols on the Cliff Path and Revetment. She would host a crime prevention desk at Morrisons on 23 October. Cllr Whittaker said there was more crime than had been reported. He referred to attacks on other dogs by a vicious dog on the Cliff Path, and attempted garage burglaries. PCSO May urged Members of the Public to report minor crime on 101. Although police could not usually attend, the records built up a picture that showed where resources needed to be placed.

### **65/17 To resolve response to Planning Applications**

**P01050/17** 41 James Avenue Conversion of garage to living space

**P01068/17** 1/3 Chelsfield Avenue First floor extension above garage

**Resolved No objections**

### **66/17 To resolve dates of 2018 meetings**

The Clerk had circulated dates based on the second Wednesday of the month (except August). Cllr Whittaker said there should be a scheduled meeting in August. Other Members disagreed and it was **resolved** to adopt the dates as set out.

### **67/17 Remembrance Sunday (12/11) and Christmas (16/12) arrangements**

The Clerk said that everything was in place for the Remembrance Sunday service at 14.30 at the War Memorial. Co-op Funeralcare would provide refreshments after. There were still outstanding matters in respect of the Lights of Love service at 12.30 on Saturday 16 December. Planting a new tree at Thearle's Green had still to be confirmed – it was likely to be only 5' tall as planted, but would grow. Refreshments would be available at The Stag afterwards. The Clerk had written to the Vectis Marching Band, but was awaiting a reply. More carols were needed this year (6-7). The Chairman would see if Brownies could come to sing Away in a Manger. Cllr Richard Priest of Shanklin Town Council had put forward the idea of children from Broadlea School planting crosses at Thearle's Green on 10 November, one for each name of a soldier who fell in the First World War. Similar events would be held in Shanklin and Sandown. It was not thought that Thearle's Green was best for this as the memorials could be trampled. The garden by the railway station was suggested as an alternative. It was also felt that the fallen of all wars should be remembered (81). Cllr Outlaw would discuss further with Cllr Priest.

### **68/17 To resolve that when a Councillor enrolls on a training course or session and does not attend, he/she will be required to meet any costs falling on the Parish Council in respect of the training booked for the Councillor in question.**

So **resolved**

### **69/17 To resolve any action in respect of Sandown Bay Academy**

Nothing further until a decision was put forward later in October.

### **70/17 To resolve any response to consultation on a fixed link**

The consultation document had still not been issued.

### **71/17 To resolve any provision of an additional dog waste bin**

It was **resolved** that an additional dog waste bin should be placed in Whitecross Lane by the stile on the west side of the road, with the Council meeting the cost.

### **72/17 Finances; to resolve payments as per report**

It was **resolved** to make the following payments:

001857	£	1234.05	Top Mops Ltd	Toilets cleaning/repair
001858	£	34.56	P.Botwright	Watering September

001859	£	5354.45	Isle of Wight Council	Crossing patrol (£3551.47) Election (uncontested £54.16) Election (contested £1748.82)
001860	£	57.60	Bright Brown	Payroll administration
001861	£	144.00	J. Reilly	Grass Cutting (Fairway Park)
001862	£	50.00	M. R. Taplin	Clerk's Petty Cash
Transfer	£	123.80	HMRC	PAYE
	£	495.49	M R Taplin	Clerk's salary September

### **73/17 Report from the Clerk**

The Clerk read correspondence received. Members debated the IW Council request regarding the meeting on 20 November but were unable to reach a consensus. Cllr Outlaw would attend. The Clerk tabled a quote for a new noticeboard on Cliff Path but it was felt to be too expensive, and alternatives should be sought.

### **74/17 Reports from Isle of Wight Councillors**

Cllr Brading had submitted a written report, which was circulated.

Cllr Outlaw said he had attended the Bay Steering Group, which was focussing on Tourism Quality, particularly in the area between Sandown Pier and Culver Cliff. 63% of Isle of Wight holiday accommodation was in the Bay area. The IW Council had commenced consideration of a new Corporate Plan. Cliff Road works had started; it was rather unsightly. He had received requests from users of mobility scooters for more consideration by those parking at Lake shops. Another complaint was about late night glass emptying a New Rd car park recycling facility. The conversion of Drifters café to holiday accommodation was on hold due to access concerns.

### **75/17 Councillors' reports**

Cllr Blezzard's IWALC report was circulated.

Cllr Young said the benches in Lake Cliff Gardens needed some TLC. IW Council Parks and Gardens were responsible.

Cllr Whittaker said turnout at meetings of the South Wight Health and Wellbeing Partnership was disappointing. More Cllrs could attend if they wished. He said he was still disappointed by the state of the Lake Cliff Gardens toilets. The store cupboard had been cleared and locked.

Cllr Theobald said the vacant plot by the railway bridge was a mess. Owned by Mr Williams, whose address was probably on the withdrawn planning application. Cllr Hardy reminded the Clerk about the notice for the toilets. The example used by Shanklin TC was tabled by Cllr Price. She said the toilet lighting renovations at New Rd should go ahead as soon as possible. Clerk to get quotes. She asked about progress with enforcement on the Safeway Cars site. The Clerk had recently sent photos to IW Council, but Planning Enforcement had a large backlog of issues to deal with.

Cllr Horton said the barriers along the pavement in Sandown Rd were still in place. Cllr Outlaw said he would see if he could get any sense out of Island Roads. It was agreed that the Chairman, Cllr Price and Cllr Young would tackle the store. The Clerk said paperwork over six years old could be dumped.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 20.55

**From the floor** Mr Marshall commented on the dismal state of Planning Enforcement. Cllr Outlaw said IW Council were aware of problems and an attempt was being made to see if more resources could be allocated.

**Chairman** ..... **Date** .....

**NEXT MEETING: 8 November 2017, Lake Broadlea School, 19.30.**