



MINUTES

Meeting of Lake Parish Council held on Wednesday 14 March 2018 at Broadlea School, Newport Rd, Lake, commencing at 19.30

Present

Chairman Mrs S. Horton

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

In attendance Mr M. R. Taplin, Clerk; IW Cllr P. Brading; four members of the public

From the floor Mr Marshall spoke about the submission by the Spithead developers of terms to meet the conditions imposed at the grant of application for additional parking spaces, and handed councillors a copy of his planned submission.

130/17 Apologies for absence PCSO J. May

131/17 To receive any declarations of interest in agenda items None

132/17 To resolve approval of minutes of the meeting held on 14 February 2018

It was **resolved** to confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 14 February, subject to the amendment of 121/17 to add 'and the rest of April', and 125/17 to add £10 000 contingencies

133/17 Update from Safer Neighbourhoods Policing Team No report

134/17 To resolve response to Planning Applications

P00194/17 Spithead Business Park Final landscaping proposals

Resolved The Council were extremely disappointed at the way the applicants have delayed this until just a few days before 19 March, the last day for effective tree planting, feeling this is a cynical attempt to delay things further, probably by a further year. This is not acceptable. The new 'mature' trees which it is proposed be planted are in the wrong place in relation to the site of trees that were removed - they need to be between the back of residents' gardens and the site (where it is merely proposed to plant whips), not adjoining Whitecross Lane, to mitigate light, blown rubbish and noise pollution. There is no mention of returning the land here to its original level by removing the bund that has been created on top of the area between the back gardens and the site. Indeed there is still a path proposed so that people can walk to the top of this bund, from where they will look directly into the gardens of the neighbouring properties (presumably a relic of the plan to create a 'picnic' area on top). The Isle of Wight Council needs to ensure there is an unequivocal sequence of events: removal of earth, installation of drainage, gabion walls and parking spaces, planting of trees and shrubs, to ensure the area in question is returned as nearly as possible to its original state.

135/17 To resolve the award of contract for toilet cleaning and associated tasks

The Clerk circulated a sheet showing that five sets of tenders had been sent out, but only one valid tender had been received. This was from Top Mops Ltd in the sum of £10 485 for one year. The Clerk had discussed performance with the Operations Director of Top Mops and been told that additional audit resource had been employed and an apprentice taken on. On a proposal by Cllr Blezzard, seconded by Cllr Outlaw, was **resolved** to award the contract to Top Mops Ltd for one year, emphasising that poor performance could result in early determination, and any subsequent extension would be judged on performance.

136/17 To resolve appointment of internal auditor for the 2017/18 accounts

On a proposal by Cllr Horton, seconded by Cllr Hardy. It was resolved that Mr G. Hughes be appointed internal auditor. The Clerk should negotiate for two audit inspections during the year.

137/17 To review standing orders

These were considerably out of date. It was **resolved** that the matter of updating them be put in the hands of a small working party (Cllrs Horton, Hardy and Blezzard), which would meet and report back at the next meeting.

138/17 To review the Council's risk assessment

It appeared that some members had not received the document sent round by the Clerk. It was therefore decided to defer it to the next meeting.

139/17 Royal wedding (19.5.18) and centenary of the end of World War 1 (11.11.18)

The Clerk had written to Richard Priest, and although no response had been received, it was understood planning for the two events was proceeding. The Clerk was still trying to establish potential secure fixing for the Silent Soldier.

140/17 To resolve any action in respect of Lake Day (28.7.18)

The illness of Mr Brading meant the planning group had not yet met. To be considered again at the next meeting.

141/17 Finances; to resolve payments as per report

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

Transfer	£	135.00	Leaflets Delivered	Delivery Ripples 32
001885	£	1208.35	Top Mops Ltd	Toilet cleaning (£958.45)
				Toilet repairs (£249.90)
001886	£	571.00	Delmar Print	Printing Ripples 32
001887	£	228.00	Broixap Ltd	New dog bin
01888	£	1 974.00	Berry Electrical Ltd	Renew lighting New Rd
01889	£	52.53	J. Taplin	Honorarium/Expenses Ripples 32
Transfer	£	124.00	HMRC	PAYE
	£	495.29	M R Taplin	Clerk's salary February

142/17 Report from the Clerk

The Clerk read correspondence received. Island Roads were approaching IW Council to secure permission to relocate the School Ahead sign at Merrie Gardens roundabout.

