

MINUTES

Meeting of Lake Parish Council held on Wednesday 11 September 2019 at Broadlea School, Newport Rd, Lake, commencing at 19.15

Present

Chairmen Mr B. Blezzard, Mrs S. Horton

Councillors Mrs N. Goodall, Mr H. Price, Mr J. Marshall, Mr T. Outlaw, Mr D. Stephens, Mr. A. Whittaker, Mrs B. Young

In attendance Mr M. R. Taplin (Clerk), Cllr P. Brading (IWC), four members of public

From the floor Cllr Brading asked if it was intended to consult local residents before proceeding with plans to convert part of New Rd toilets to a community centre. It was confirmed this was the case. A cheque for £250 from the Co-operative was handed over as a contribution towards the purchase of a defibrillator. Representatives from Men in Sheds were welcomed to the meeting.

32/19-20 **Election of Chairman**

Following the resignation of Cllr S. Hardy, on a proposal by Cllr Blezzard, seconded by Cllr D. Stephens. Cllr Susan Horton was elected Chairman of Lake Parish Council *nem con*. Cllr Horton signed the declaration of acceptance of office, and this was counter-signed by the Clerk.

33/19-20 **Apologies for absence** Cllr S. Hardy

34/19-20 **To receive any declarations of interest in agenda items**

Cllr Horton declared a personal interest in grants to voluntary organisations involving the Church of the Good Shepherd and 1st Lake Brownies.
Cllr Whittaker declared a personal interest in grants to voluntary organisations involving Men in Sheds.

35/19-20 **To confirm the minutes of the meetings held on 17 July and 13 August 2019**

On a proposal by Cllr Blezzard, seconded by Cllr Horton, it was **resolved** to confirm the minutes of the meetings held on 17 July and 13 August a true record, and these were signed by the Chairman.

36/19-20 **Update from Safer Neighbourhoods Policing Team**

None

37/19-20 **To resolve comments on Planning Applications received**

19/00731	81 Sandown Rd	Continued use of property as House in Multiple Occupancy
	Ashleigh House	
19/00783	1 Kestrel Close	Demolition of porch; single storey extension on front
19/00926	25 Cliff Path	Retention of holiday chalet
Resolved	No objection to these applications	

38/19-20

To resolve tendering for work at New Rd toilets

The Clerk tabled a drawing prepared by Dean Parkman to show how the rebuilding might be carried out, and said the next stages in the project were consultation and tendering to obtain prices for the work. Cllr Outlaw said the drawing was too small to read the detail and requested that a larger version be circulated before the matter was brought back to the Council. It was agreed that consultation could start (Noticeboard/Ripples/Website).

39/19-20

To resolve editorial and production responsibility for Ripples

The editor, Janet Taplin, had resigned after producing 40 issues of the magazine. It was proposed by Cllr Horton and seconded by Cllrs Price and Stephens that she be thanked for her work and this was agreed *nem con*. The Chairman said she and Mrs Taplin had visited Biltmore Printers to discuss how to proceed and the printers had offered to put together the magazine from material supplied for £40/copy plus a 'free' advert. Adverts requiring resetting would be charged at £10 (fullpage, £5 smaller) and the cost passed on to the advertiser. A new e-mail address lakeripplespo36@gmail.com had been set up for submission of material, which would come to Mrs Horton. She said a request had been received from the Freemasons for a full-page event advert in the November issue and it was agreed that this should be charged at £25. It was proposed by Cllr Outlaw and seconded by Cllr Blezzard that Mrs Horton be paid £10 per issue. **Resolved** to proceed with the arrangements set out.

40/19-20

To resolve a proposal to set up a Finance Committee

Cllr Whittaker made this proposal in order to secure better planning of the Council's projects and it was seconded by Cllr Marshall. Cllr Blezzard said a Finance Committee was totally unnecessary for a Council the size of Lake and finance matters could continue to be considered at full council meetings, reducing bureaucracy and costs. After discussion it was **resolved** that the proposal for a Finance Committee should not proceed.

41/19-20

To resolve provision of ID badges for Councillors

Cllr Whittaker proposed that photo ID badges on lanyards should be purchased and issued to enable Councillors to identify themselves. Cllr Horton said these should be signed for and collected when a councillor resigned. Cllr Blezzard proposed an amendment that the badges should be issued on a voluntary basis with Councillors meeting the cost. The **resolution as amended** was agreed with eight in favour and one against.

42/19-20

Update on Revetment and beach issues

Cllr Whittaker said that a meeting with Chris Ashman of the Isle of Wight Council had been held and various work that needed carrying out was identified. It appeared IWC could obtain grants to finance this.

43/19-20

To resolve grants to voluntary organisations serving Lake

There were five bids for grants and a budget of £1000 (including the £500 contribution from KFC). An initial proposal that £200 be allocated to each

organisation was opposed by Cllr Whittaker, who said Men in Sheds should get £300 and Age UK £100. After debate it was **resolved** that the grants should be as follows:

Church of the Good Shepherd Benefice Garden	£200
1 st Lake Brownies	£100
Men in Sheds	£300
Age UK	£200
Sandown & Shanklin Independent Lifeboat	£200

44/19-20

Finances

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

Cheque	Amount	Payee	Item
Transfer	£ 37.00	Susan Hardy	Garden Party Expenses
002025	£ 453.87	Business Stream	Water supply toilets
002026	£ 323.28	Island Roads	Dog bin emptying
002027	£ 1 493.72	Isle of Wight Council	Election costs
002028	£ 312.00	JW Autoshine	Watering hanging baskets
002029	£ 1 406.93	Top Mops Ltd	Toilet cleaning/repairs
002030	£ 39.19	SSE Southern	Electricity New Rd toilets
002031	£ 7 403.60	Isle of Wight Council	Env Officer/Ground maintenance
002032	£ 228.00	John O'Connor	Grass cutting Fairway Park
002033	£ 622.00	Biltmore Printers	Printing Ripples 41
002034	£ 60.00	J. Taplin	Editorial assistance Ripples 41
002035	£ 3 283.98	SSE Southern	Electricity Revetment
002036	£ 1 470.04	Top Mops Ltd	Toilet cleaning/repairs
002037	£ 408.00	JW Autoshine	Watering hanging baskets
002038	£ 114.00	John O'Connor	Grass cutting Fairway Park
Transfer	£ 100.00	IoW Geek	Website SSL security
Transfer	£ 178.00	T. K. Forbes	Distribution Ripples 41
Transfer	£ 131.40	HMRC	PAYE
	£ 525.97	M R Taplin	Clerk's salary July
Transfer	£ 131.60	HMRC	PAYE
	£ 525.77	M R Taplin	Clerk's salary August

28/19-20

Reports

The Clerk

The Clerk read the correspondence received. It was agreed to respond to Shanklin Town Council indicating the proposal re. safety buoys could be considered only once costs were known. Lake Parish Council supported efforts to get waste discharge on to beaches cleaned up. Cllr Marshall would try to attend the Arreton Battle of Britain Memorial Service. An announcement from Southwestern Railway on the modernisation of Island Line was due on 16 September, with a drop-in session at Yelf's Hotel in Ryde during the afternoon. Bobby Lock would try to attend a Council meeting afterwards and had confirmed a bid for a new shelter/seat at Lake.

County Councillors

Cllr Outlaw said he was dismayed by Island Roads ruling against resurfacing Cliff Way. He drew attention to the increasing prevalence of scams affecting elderly persons and would put something in the next Ripples. Fire & Rescue had recruited 13 new retained Firefighters but the implementation of the Combined Fire Authority had been put back by a year.

Cllr Brading had submitted a written report, and commented on aspects.

Councillors

Cllr Whittaker said Wightfibre were still making a mess of pavements in Lake, but work in Shanklin was much tidier. The Clerk said he had written to the Managing Director, but four weeks later had not received a reply. Cllr Whittaker drew attention to the Breakfast in the Bay scheme and said Broadlea School would start it from 4 November.

Cllr Blezzard had circulated his IWALC report and spoke about it.

Cllr Outlaw said he had received a complaint about New Rd toilets and particularly lack of toilet paper. The Clerk said paper was replenished at 06.00 daily, but had sometimes been stolen by 07.30. He also asked the Clerk to investigate the different RADAR keys.

Cllr Price said the approach to New Rd car park needed vegetation trimmed.

Cllr Horton said she had met Lee Wight, who had thanked her for the expressions of condolence. She said the Remembrance Service would be on 10 November and hoped Co-op Funeralcare would provide their traditional refreshments afterwards. Clerk to arrange the bugler. She would obtain a wreath and speak to Father David. Rev Frances Watson would be invited again. The paving slabs around the war memorial needed stabilising. It was agreed that the Christmas Carol service should be on 14 December at 12.00 at Thearle's Green.

From the floor Men in Sheds referred to the refurbishment of all the benches in Lake Cliff Gardens. Unfortunately one had subsequently been damaged by a barbecue, but was being repaired.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 21.10

Chairman _____ **Date** _____

Next meeting: 9 October 2019, Lake Broadlea School, 19.15