

LAKE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 10 FEBRUARY 2022 AT LAKE METHODIST CHURCH AT 19.15

PRESENT: Cllr P. Brading, Chairman
Cllr J. Hicks, Cllr A. Whittaker, Cllr N. Goodall, Cllr J. Marshall, Cllr B. Young

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr M. R. Taplin (Clerk), two members of the public

From the floor Nil

135/21-22 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Cllrs Abbott, D. Hardy, S. Hardy. T. Outlaw

136/21-22 TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN AGENDA ITEMS None

137/21-22 TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 13 JANUARY 2021
The minutes were confirmed as a true record, and were signed by the Chairman.

138/21-22 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Queen's Platinum Jubilee Events Working Party	Clerk responded to Sandown Town Council Two meetings held
Welcome Back Fund	Awaiting return of IW Council officer from leave
Grants	Transfer made to Royal British Legion
Toilets	Order placed for Lake Cliff Gardens unit Contract specified and advertised Water management system for Revetment with Top Mops
War Memorial Jncn	Extensive exchange of e-mails with some movement
Potholed roads	First attempt rebuffed by Island Roads
IWALC	Subscription renewed
Outdoor Gym	Agenda item when pandemic resolved

139/21-22 UPDATE FROM SAFER NEIGHBOURHOODS POLICING TEAM

PCSO May was on leave and had been unable to submit a report. Some members expressed dissatisfaction at this and it was hoped that the officer could attend the next meeting.

140/21-22 PLANNING APPLICATIONS: TO RESOLVE COMMENTS

21/00119	1 Percy Rd	Side and rear extensions
Resolved	No objection	
22/00166	26 Merrie Gardens	Single storey side/rear extensions
Resolved	No objection	

141/21-22 TO RESOLVE WHETHER AN AUGUST MEETING IS NEEDED

4 August pencilled in. Chairman and Clerk to consider need nearer the time.

142/21-22 UPDATE FROM WELCOME BACK FUND

The Clerk reported that the IW Officer dealing with this had just returned from leave and had yet to provide an update. However it was understood that orders had been placed and funding had to be spent by 31 March.

143/21-22 EVENTS WORKING PARTY

Cllr Marshall had tabled the minutes from the meeting of the Events Working Party and invited representatives from Broadlea School to attend in order to discuss planned Parish Council gifts to pupils to mark the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. Examples of drawstring bags and pins were circulated and approved. Cllr Marshall also tabled a design for a commemorative plaque for Thearles Green and set out a planned unveiling event with refreshments on 2 June. It was **resolved** to approve a budget of £1500 to cover all the above. Some of the arrangements could be finalised nearer the time.

144/21-22 TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON LAKE TOILET CLEANING TENDER

The availability of the tender had been advertised in the County Press, attracting three responses. The tender documentation had been circulated to these. An opening of the sealed bid tenders would be arranged and the results presented to the March meeting. It was noted that Sandown and Shanklin Town Councils were going through a similar process.

145/21-22 LAKE RIPPLES

The Editor had provided a report that was read by the Chairman. The print run had been reduced to 3000. An increase in printing costs had been notified by Biltmore that would take the cost of each copy up from 32p to 35p. It was **resolved** to accept the new quotation. Two new advertisers had been found and would each appear for three months initially.

146/21-22 FINANCES – PAYMENTS PER REPORT

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

Cheque	Amount	VAT	Payee	Item
Transfer	£ 150.00		M. R. Taplin	Clerk's Office
Transfer	£ 136.61		SSE	Electricity toilets
Transfer	£ 860.00		Biltmore Printers	Printing Ripples 51
Transfer	£ 373.74		Top Mops	Toilet cleaning
Transfer	£ 71.10		Bright Brown	Payroll admin
Transfer	£ 114.00		John O'Connor	Grass cut Fairway Park
Transfer	£ 23.00		J. Marshall	Tree lights
Transfer	£ 575.50		M. R. Taplin	Clerk's salary January
D/D	£ 143.80		HMRC	PAYE
Transfer	£ 150.00		Royal British Legion	donation
Transfer	£ 83.27		County Press	Tender advert
Transfer	£ 553.76		Business Stream	Water supply toilets
S/O	£ 30.00		Gratuity Fund	
D/D	£ 173.14		Public Works Loan	Fairway Park loan
Transfer	£ 893.08		IWALC	Subscription 2022-23
Transfer	£ 11.70		M R Taplin	Clerk's mileage

An invoice from Danfo Ltd for a one third deposit in respect of the new toilet unit at Lake Cliff Gardens had been received shortly before the meeting, in the sum up £53 766. It was **resolved** to pay this by cheque 002076.

The bank balances and reconciliation were noted.

147/21-22 CLERK'S REPORT

The Clerk reported correspondence received, including refusal of an appeal in respect of planning permission for land adjacent to the Premier Inn. He said there had been a

complaint about paint and other rubbish in the open at Fairway Park. The football club had agreed to tidy up and buy two wheelie bins so that rubbish did not accumulate.

148/21-22 ISLE OF WIGHT COUNCILLORS

Cllr Outlaw had submitted a written report. He was dealing with several highway issues and complaints about Wightfibre work in Sandown Rd, including noise in the adjacent New Rd car park.

Cllr Brading said resurfacing in Lake was scheduled for Quarter 4 of 2022, but Cemetery Rd, which was the responsibility of IW Council had already been dealt with. The lease for Copse Meadow was set to be transferred to the new company by 1 April. It was apparent there were people living on the land at Scotchells Brook, though the IWC Enforcement Team claimed to have found no evidence. Fires had occurred there recently. There had been extensive e-mail correspondence regarding the War Memorial junction and it appeared to be recognised that this was a problem in need of resolution, with IW Cllr Jordan keeping the pressure on Island Roads.

149/21-22 COUNCILLORS REPORTS – MATTERS NOT REQUIRING A RESOLUTION

Cllr Young was concerned at Wightfibre's traffic management techniques during their work on Sandown Rd.

Cllr Hicks reported the ballast at the railway foot crossing by Lake Cliff Gardens had been displaced. Clerk to contact Network Rail. She had spoken to the Sandown Rd property owner about a planter outside his premises – he would be at the next meeting. The slipway stairs were missing a handrail on the left-hand side. Referred to Revetment working party.

Cllr Whittaker described to a motorcycle accident on the Fairway when the police had taken 55' to arrive and an ambulance two hours (due to bed blocking at the hospital). He had also been involved in the leak of sewage at the former Caretaker's Cottage at the top of the Fairway. There was now an investigation into liaison between Southern Water and Dynarod (who were their appointed contractors on the island)..

Cllr Marshall spoke in disparaging terms about the IWALC training session involving Jackie Weaver. He would like it to have been recorded.

Cllr Brading said speeding on the Fairway was becoming a problem due to the lack of mobile speed cameras. He sought the endorsement of Cllrs in regard to his posing a question to Scrutiny Committee via IWALC, and this was given.

FROM THE FLOOR None.

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 21.00

NEXT MEETING Thursday 10 March 2022, 19.15 at Lake Methodist Church, Sandown Road

ACTIONS

Welcome Back Fund	Clerk	maintain liaison with IW Council
Queen's Platinum Jubilee	Events Working party	to continue organisation
Toilets contract	Clerk	Arrange tender opening and report To next meeting
Revetment water management	Clerk	Liaise with Top Mops (Rick Manning)
Lake Ripples 52	All	Reports to Editor by 18 February
Railway crossing	Clerk	Contact Network Rail
Outdoor gym	Clerk	Agenda item when pandemic resolved