

## LAKE PARISH COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 12 JANUARY 2023 AT LAKE METHODIST CHURCH AT 19.15

**PRESENT:** Cllr P. Brading, Chairman  
Cllr M. Abbott, Cllr S. Hardy, Cllr J. Hicks, Cllr J. Marshall, Cllr P. Evans, Cllr A. Whittaker,

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Mr R Priest (Clerk), 3 members of the public and PCSO May.

**From the floor** The Chairman welcomed residents to the first meeting of the year, and a resident asked about funding for groups that aren't charities, and the Chair noted that Lake has a process consistent with National guidance. The Chair outlined the process followed by the Parish Council and Cllr Hardy confirmed this conformed to NALC guidance. The Chair also updated members on discussions with Sandown and Shanklin Town Councils, with the notice for Place Plan Consultancy advertised.

**129/22-23 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** Cllrs N Goodall, T Outlaw & B. Young.

**130/22-23 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN AGENDA ITEMS**  
None

**131/22-23 UPDATE**  
The Chairman updated members on concerns about the planning approval for the viewpoint on Lake Cliff, and that with Cllr Outlaw, he had asked Planning Officers to confirm that they were satisfied with the structural engineering reports and that there was no risk of damage to the cliff resulting from the works being undertaken. Cllr Marshall asked Clerk for details for the Ripples and clerk would forward.

**132/22-23 TO CONFIRM MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 15 DECEMBER 2022**  
It was **resolved** to approve the minutes of 15 December 2023 as a true record. No comments were made and these were signed by the Chair.

**133/22-23 UPDATE FROM SAFER NEIGHBOURHOODS POLICING TEAM**  
PCSO May provided a verbal report with 3 reports of Anti-social behaviour, 4 Public Order Issues, 7 incidents of Criminal Damage shoplifting, vehicle offences at Lake Green, and the continuation of Operation Spider. PCSO May noted increased visible presence over Christmas and New Year, beat surgery at Broadlea, and answered questions raised and advised members of the planned Bay Briefing at Broadway Centre on Friday 27 January 2023.

**134/22-23 UPDATE MEMBERS ON OPENING LAKE CLIFF GARDENS TOILETS AND REVIEW NEW ROAD TOILETS**  
The Chair thanked members able to attend the opening of lake Cliff Gardens Toilets, and that there had already been usage over the weekend, with the Clerk collecting income. The unit had been added to Insurance Cover, and other details were being progressed including signage and timings to coincide with

cleaning schedule. Members discussed proposed reprovion at New Road and this would be discussed further at Budget Briefing on 17 January 2023.

- 135/22-23 DISCUSS REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE OF REVETMENT TOILETS.**  
Members highlighted the ongoing risk at revetment Toilets, with recent cliff falls an added concern, with the Chair highlighting the pump issue and servicing in 2023. The Clerk would contact contractors regarding future servicing and maintenance, as well as include provision in Budget.
- 136/22-23 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**  
There were no current applications, but the Chair updated members on the application for Bluebells Café near Littlestairs, recognising this was in Shanklin but part of his IWC Ward.
- 137/22-23 TO CONFIRM ARRANGEMENTS FOR INFORMAL BUDGET BRIEFING**  
The Chair outlined the arrangements for the informal budget briefing at 9am on Tuesday 17 January 2023 at the Broadway Centre, Sandown, and that members would have the opportunity to meet the Sandown Mayor before the briefing, as well as see the support being provided by Sandown Town Council.
- 138/22-23 EVENTS COMMITTEE**  
Members thanked Cllr Marshall for his work for Christmas and New Year events, and Cllr Marshall noted planned meeting on Monday 23 January 2023 to discuss potential events including the Coronation.
- 139/22-23 RIPPLES**  
The Chair thanked Mrs Marshall for producing Ripples given the challenging financial climate, and the Clerk would forward reports for the next edition, and Cllr Marshall noted there were difficulties ensuring copies were delivered in some areas and was trying to resolve.
- 140/22-23 FINANCES – PAYMENTS PER REPORT**  
It was **resolved** to authorise the payments report circulated, noting there was transitional delays in the Clerk getting on-line access, and the Chair thanked Cllr Hardy for paying invoices since Christmas. There would be a further update at the Budget Briefing, and publication on website. Bank Balances noted and Bank Reconciliation approved..
- 141/22-23 FINANCES – UPDATE ON YEAR TO DATE BUDGET POSITION**  
The Clerk would circulate a budget report showing expenditure to date, and this Would be discussed at the Budget Briefing at 9am on Tuesday 17 January, and confirmed arrangements for the briefing.
- 142/22-23 CLERK'S REPORT**  
The Clerk reported correspondence received, including details of request for a shop to registered as a Community Asset and he had advised resident, application for Warm Space Grant, and would circulate written report in advance of the next meeting, and work on the website was recognised to update details and this would link with councillor email address update, working with Cllr Marshall to address.

**143/22-23 ISLE OF WIGHT COUNCILLORS**

Cllr Brading updated on the recent cliff falls, and thanked Cllr Abbott and Cllr Whittaker for the actions taken, contacting Southern Water responsible for damaged pipe on cliff top, with members noting the difficulty of accessing the location and need to dispose of cliff fall debris safely and not in the sea, with at least 400 tonnes collapsing. Several beach huts had been displaced, and although there was signage on the revetment, walkers could still use the beach at low tide. Cllr Brading would contact IWC and Island Roads regarding signage, as well as the concerns about removal of bins and need to reinstate as soon as possible, and that contractors would be working over the weekend but that more rainfall was being forecast.

**144/22-23 COUNCILLORS REPORTS – MATTERS NOT REQUIRING A RESOLUTION**

Cllrs Abbott, Hicks and Whittaker updated members on the Revetment Working Party meetings and funding issues regarding any proposed projects. Cllr Hardy reported on conclusion of Skew Bridge Wall, delay in Roseway Roadworks. Cllr Hicks on communication with Sustainability Forum regarding local issues. The Chair read letter from outgoing Clerk who thanked members for present at last meeting and wishes them well for the future.

Cllr Brading also advised resident that the Court Case regarding a planning matter was due in February, and that he had contacted IWC Cabinet Member regarding continuing issues at Tesco Express junction which would only increase when Lake Hill is closed for Bridge Works.

**NEXT MEETING** Thursday 16 February 2023, 19.15 at Lake Methodist Church, Sandown Road

**Meeting closed 20.55**