



LAKE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES 8 FEBRUARY 2024

Minutes of the Meeting of Lake Parish Council held on **THURSDAY, 8 FEBRUARY 2024** at Lake Methodist Church at **19.00pm**.

PRESENT: Cllr Paul Brading, Chairman
Cllrs Michelle Abbott, Pauline Evans, Naomi Goodall, Jenny Hicks,
Sue Hardy, Adrian Whittaker and Bette Young, (Vacancy)

IN ATTENDANCE: Richard Priest (Clerk), Raine Elliss

PUBLIC QUESTIONS

There were 10 members of the public present. A member of the public asked a question regarding apple trees in Dean Close and correspondence with Island Roads over planned removal, the Chair updated members on exchanges with Island Roads and their policy on the matter, and would follow up with preferred way forward.

95/23-24 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllr Marshall.

96/23-24 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN AGENDA ITEMS

Declarations of interest were as previously registered and recorded with addition of the dispensation for all members as Lake council tax payees when setting the precept.

97/23-24 CONFIRM MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 11 JANUARY 2024

Members unanimously **resolved** to approve the minutes of 11 January 2024, as a true and accurate record of the meeting, and the Chair signed them accordingly.

98/23-24 MATTERS FROM THE MINUTES NOT REQUIRING A RESOLUTION

Members noted new time of meetings as 7pm, and the Clerk updated member on notice and advert for Councillor vacancy.

99/23-24 UPDATE FROM SAFER NEIGHBOURHOODS POLICING TEAM

Police Community Support Officer Jackie May updated members on recent incidents in Lake, and introduced PC's Trickey and Carey as Neighbourhood Officers, and noted success of Bike Coding weekend, removal of Vapes from local convenience stores, and collection of knife following reporting by Parish Council.

100/23-24 FINANCES

a) To approve the Payments and Receipts lists as presented for January 2024

The Chairman proposed and Cllr Hardy seconded, with members unanimously approving, the payments and receipts list as presented.

b) To receive and note the verified bank reconciliations for January 2024

Members unanimously agreed and noted the bank reconciliation for January 2024 and the Chair signed accordingly.

c) To receive and note the expenditure against budget through January 2024

The expenditure against budget through January 2024 was noted, and members commented on improved state of finances, and also noted cost pressures.

d) Public Works Loan Board Update

The Clerk updated members on the Loan, and the Chair signed off the draw down request, with a Council briefing being planned for March to agree the details of the project with a report to April meeting.

e) Approval of 2024/2025 Budget

The chair proposed, and members unanimously supported, 15 minute adjournment of meeting to consider updated draft Council budget. Members then noted provision for youth services, work on Revetment Toilets subject to solution to broken pipe, and other developments were discussed.

RESOLVED:

Members unanimously resolved that the 2024/2025 Budget of £275,093 be approved, including PWLB provision.

f) Setting of 2024/2025 Precept

Members unanimously resolved the precept demand of £275,093 be set for 2024/2025, the band D equivalent of £162.90 per year.

101/23-24 THE BAY PLACE PLAN

The Chair updated members on the progress of the Place Plan with meeting planned for later in the Month. Members voted not to contribute to the costs of the Report Presentation, members also unanimously approved that Cllrs Brading and Whittaker are Lake PC's representatives on the Steering Group, with the 2 year appointment subject to the 2025 local council elections.

102/23-24 PLANNING APPLICATIONS: TO RESOLVE COMMENTS ON APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

The Chair updated members of applications that had been circulated, and thanked Raine for circulating details.

103/23-24 EVENTS COMMITTEE

Members noted planned briefing in June, and Cllr Brading confirmed he had been in contact with Cllr Marshall and hoped he would be involved with the meeting.

104/23-24 RIPPLES

Cllr Brading thanked Cllr Evans for her work on the new Edition, and for liaising with Mrs Marshall and the printers.

105/23-24 CLERKS REPORT

The Clerk circulated the report, and members noted ongoing correspondence with IWC and Southern Water regarding the Broken Pipe at Revetment Toilets. XXX

106/23-24 ISLE OF WIGHT COUNCILLORS

Cllr Brading updated members on plans for Copse Mead, working with Natural England on dog walking space and environmental project, the relocation of proposed mobile phone mast from Rugby field and correspondence regarding proposed roadworks at Roseway and Station Approach.

107/23-24 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Cllr Hicks noted IT issues, Cllr Hardy noted IWALC training course on Equality and Diversity, and Cllr Whittaker updated members on Bay Revetment/Promenade Working Party proposals for signage with updated draft designs to be circulated. Cllr Brading updated members on new flag, and Raine would circulate costings. Cllr Brading also noted discussions with Men in Sheds regarding repair to the Notice Board.

108/23-24 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

A member of the public asked about increase in flytipping in and around the Rugby and Football grounds, and a way forward would be to establish a Lake Green Towns group.

Meeting Closed 9.15 pm.