

Fishbourne Parish Council - Meeting on Thursday 9th January 2020

Chairman's Report

1. **Wightlink** – Some local residents have complained that the lights are much brighter than they were a few months ago, and that some Lorries are running their engines whilst parked awaiting an early morning ferry. A meeting has been arranged with the Fishbourne Terminal manager for Tuesday 21st January.

The propose meeting with Wightlink managers was cancelled due to personal issues faced by our ward Councillor. A date has yet to be re-arranged.

2. **Ashlake Copse Lane** – Following concerned expressed by some residents over a notice posted on two trees down the lane I wrote a personal letter to the agents in an attempt to delay any work until it was clearly understood what the intention was. The agents have been very helpful and confirmed that the notice relates to work connected with damage caused to a garage at Foresters (to the east of Ashlake Copse Lane. They have agreed to keep the Parish Council informed of the proposed works and that the verge will be fully re-instated with some flowers or bushes to replace the small trees removed. These issues are caused by the lack of anyone to produce deeds to show ownership. To prevent this from becoming an issue in the future I am recommending that the Parish Council approached the Isle of Wight Council with a proposal that the IWCC claims ownership of the road and verge to the east and once settled immediately passes the land to the Parish Council. This will then enable all the residents who use the lane to form a residents association to maintain the road, and should any future works be proposed the Parish Council will be in a position to ensure that all parties are informed and there is common agreement that the works should take place.

Malcolm Hector 9th January 2020