

**MINUTES OF THE FISHBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING  
held on 9<sup>th</sup> January 2020 at Royal Victoria Yacht Club at 7.00p.m.**

**Present** – Cllr Hector, Cllr Hopper, Cllr Talbot, Cllr Honeywill, Cllr Dennis, Cllr Tobin  
Mrs Warr (Clerk),  
Members of the public – 5

**Public Questions:** - No questions were asked

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3820 Apologies –

Apologies were received from IW Cllr Kilpatrick.

3821 Members' Declarations of Pecuniary and Non pecuniary Interests and Requests for Dispensation of Pecuniary Interest

None

3822 Minutes of the Meetings

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> December 2019 were presented.

**RESOLVED: that, the minutes of the 19<sup>th</sup> December 2019 are approved as a correct record and are duly signed by the Chairman.**

3823 Reports

1. Chairman's Report – A copy of the report is attached to these minutes.

Cllr Hector made a recommendation that the Parish Council approach the Isle of Wight Council, with a proposal that the IWC claims ownership of the road and verge to the east of Ashlake Copse Lane and once settled immediately passes the land to the Parish Council. A resident's association could then be formed to take over future maintenance. While supportive of the proposal in principle, Members expressed caution that the PC could find themselves liable for high maintenance costs if a resident's association did not take on the full responsibility. It was agreed that ownership of the verge could be addressed separately. After discussion it was agreed to approach the IWC legal department for advice on a way forward.

**RESOLVED: that, the IWC legal department would be approached for advice on the procedure to adopt Ashlake Copse Lane and the resulting implications.**

2. IWC Cllr Kilpatrick – Cllr Kilpatrick was unable to attend and did not send a report

3. Councillors' reports:

**Cllr Talbot** reported on the WCFA meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> January.

There was nothing of particular interest to the parish, apart from the reiteration of the proposed survey of the shingle bank, and installation of a navigational marker. The AGM will be held on 26<sup>th</sup> March.

The next Environmental and Sustainability Forum is scheduled for 16<sup>th</sup> January.

4. Clerk - The Clerk circulated a report and a copy is attached to these minutes

3824 Traffic Congestion Problems and Wightlink Ferry Issues

Cllr Hector said he was keen to have a meeting with Wightlink management as soon as possible and was waiting on the availability of IW Cllr Kilpatrick. Mr Reed updated

the Council on correspondence with Wightlink Island Ports Operation Manager Mr Gulliver, regarding refrigeration lorries leaving their engines running while waiting for early morning ferries. An agreement had been made to turn off refrigeration units between 7pm and 7am and also limit loud music and hands-free mobile calls during the day. This was welcomed and will be reaffirmed at the meeting with Mr Gulliver on 21<sup>st</sup> January.

3825 Litter and dog bins on the Lower Green – it was noted that a number of residents had voiced their agreement for the relocation of the dog bins, as long as due deference was given to spacing between the benches. **Cllr Talbot** agreed to chase up the letter from all residents that would give the PC the authority to carry out the relocation.

3826 Budget 2020/21  
The budget was briefly discussed and it was agreed to increase donations by £1000, to allow for support of the RVYC disability sailing day, and the website by £600, to allow for an upgrade to comply with the accessibility regulations. The precept will be set at the February meeting.

3827 Road Verge Strategy for the IOW  
The strategy was welcomed and there was no objection expressed to the PC taking over the maintenance of verges. However, it was agreed that the PC expected control over the frequency and timing of the cuts if they were paying for the service. This will be transmitted to Richard Grogan. It was also agreed to volunteer for the early cut scheme to encourage wild flowers.

3828 IWALC Infrastructure Workshop  
**RESOLVED: that, two spaces would be booked at the IWALC Infrastructure workshop on 24<sup>th</sup> January.**

3829 Correspondence received (for information only)  
A letter of thanks from the British Legion for the Remembrance Day donation has been received.

3830 January Payments Schedule  
**RESOLVED: that the payments for January, totalling £1061.20 are approved.**  
A copy of the Schedule is attached to these Minutes.

3831 Future Agenda Items  
Phone Box on Fishbourne Lane and Advertising boards.

3832 Date of next meeting – the date of the next meeting was confirmed as Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2020.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 7.44pm

Signed as a true record

Chairman .....

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