

**MINUTES OF THE FISHBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
held on 11th March 2021 by Video Link at 7.00p.m.**

Present – Cllr Hector, Cllr Hopper, Cllr Talbot, Cllr Fontana, Cllr Nowak
Mrs Warr (Clerk),
Members of the public – 1 and PCSO Stephen Hull

Public Questions: - No questions were asked.

The Chairman welcomed Cllr Diana Conyers, Chair of IWALC. Cllr Conyers said she was trying to attend as many town and parish meetings as she could during her tenure as Chair to get a flavour of issues across the Island. Cllr Conyers is also ward councillor for Ryde TC in the Binstead ward.

REF MINUTE

4015 Apologies

No apologies were received

4016 Members' Declarations of Pecuniary and Non pecuniary Interests and Requests for Dispensation of Pecuniary Interest

Cllr Hector declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 4018, regarding the enforcement complaint for Byewater, as he has given professional accountancy advice to the daughter of the property owner.

4017 Minutes of the Meetings

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 11th February 21 were presented

RESOLVED: that, the minutes of the meeting held on 11th February 2021, are approved as a correct record and will be signed by the Chairman.

4018 Planning

New Plans

21/00182/HOU Tides Reach, Kite Hill. Proposed extension at first floor level to convert bungalow into a house.

RESOLVED: It was resolved to raise no objection to the application in relation to the size and design of the extension. However, the Parish Council would like to support the comments made by Island Roads regarding the maintenance of the visibility splay. The Parish Council feel visibility could be improved with a condition requiring the hedge to be regularly pruned to prevent issues entering and leaving the property.

Planning Enforcement Issues

It was noted that the complaint on the infringement at Byewater, on Ashlake Copse Road, had not yet been allocated to an IW Council officer for progression. It appeared that the property had been divided into two and the garden chalet occupied. It was also noted that a platform had been erected on the Creek side.

4019 Police Report

PCSO Steve Hull gave an update on the Speedwatch program. Town and Parish Councils can buy a handheld speed monitoring gun and after training from the police can use to note vehicle details. This info can be reported to the police who will add the details to a database and take appropriate action. PCSO Hull agreed to survey Fishbourne Lane to find a suitable safe place to stand for the number of people needed to carryout the process.

On other matters, he said it had been quiet during the lockdown and most recently he had been checking for essential travel at the ferry terminal.

4020 Reports

- a. Chairman's Report – the Chairman circulated a report and a copy is attached to these minutes.
- b. Clerk – the Clerk circulated a report and a copy is attached to these minutes. It was noted that the notice board at Kite Hill had also been removed for revarnishing.
- c. Island Roads – Cllr Hopper agreed to chase up Island Roads on a timescale for the consultation on the parking restrictions on the Lower Green. Cllr Hopper said he had asked some questions about the possibility of permits for Fishbourne Lane. Will the garage be able to apply and can homeowners with more than one car apply for additional permits? The garage cannot apply as they are commercial not private. The other question is being investigated.
- d. **Cllr Talbot** submitted a report and a copy is attached to these minutes. She said she was following up on the complaint regarding Island Roads use of the flail cutter and had corresponded with IW Cllrs Hastings and Ward.
- e. **Cllrs Fontana and Nowak** reported on an IWALC topic meeting and copies are attached to these minutes.

4021 Land at junction of Kite Hill and Firestone Copse Road

The requested requirements from Island Roads to install a planter were discussed. It was agreed that these could be fulfilled and as a first step the Clerk would contact Care in the Garden to investigate the cost of a planter and a plant maintenance plan.

A site meeting to discuss a designated footpath was agreed as a sensible way forward, however, it was accepted that this will be after current restrictions are lifted.

RESOLVED: that, the Clerk would contact Care in the Garden to investigate the cost of a planter and plant maintenance plan

4022 Speeding on Fishbourne Lane

Cllr Talbot reported noisy 'boy racers' coming out of Fishbourne Garage. They are using Fishbourne Lane at various times of the day as a test run for souped up cars. PCSO Hull agreed to visit the garage to have a word with the owners and staff to explain the nuisance this is causing to residents.

4023 Little Library

The idea of a 'little library' was discussed. The disused phone box would have been an ideal location but as this was not possible it was agreed to look for a site on private property. It was agreed that the councillors would look around the parish for options and bring back to the next meeting.

4024 Resilience Plan

The possibility of developing a parish resilience plan was discussed. The Chairman had started the process in 2012 after an episode of freak weather caused gridlock at the start of the IW Festival. The plan had not received support and had been shelved. The current pandemic had brought the need for a local plan to the fore once again and Community Action had provided a template. It was agreed that the Clerk would circulate further details, and this would be discussed again next month.

4025 Oak Tree Green

It was agreed that the posts and chains were in reasonable condition and any refurbishment could wait until the early autumn. This will be discussed again at the July meeting and possibly combine it with a general parish tidy up.

4026 Donations Request

Three requests for donations were considered.

Cllr Conyers said that Citizens Advice met at the Community Centre in Binstead and she would send details through when the restrictions ease.

RESOLVED: That, donations would be made to the following organisations:

- **Citizens Advice Bureau Isle of Wight - £150**
- **Suicide Prevention and Intervention Isle of Wight - £150**
- **Royal Victoria Yacht Club 'Open Day for Disabilities' - £1000**

4027 Correspondence received

No correspondence had been received. Cllr Hopper remarked that Wootton PC may be looking for support to retain post office facilities in the Village, but a request had not been received to date.

4028 Finance:

- March Payment Schedule

RESOLVED: that the payments for March, totalling £1089.45 are approved.

- Bank Reconciliation

RESOLVED: that the bank reconciliation is approved

4029 Future Agenda Items

- Little Library
- Resilience Plan
- Oak Tree Green/ Parish Tidy up (July meeting)

4030 Next meeting

The date of the next monthly meeting was confirmed as 8th April 2021.

It was felt that it would be preferable to hold the Annual Parish Meeting as a face to face event. Therefore, the meeting will be deferred to a date in May when the RVC is open. However, should restrictions mean this is not possible it will be held by Zoom before the end of May to comply with the regulations.

RESOLVED:

That, the Annual Parish Meeting will be deferred until a date in May when the Royal Victoria Yacht Club is open.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.35pm

Signed as a true record

Chairman

8.04.21