

# MINUTES

10.05.2016

## GODSHILL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Village Hall, Godshill on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2016 starting at 7.30 pm.

Present:

Cllr Draper - Chairman

Cllr Cakebread

Cllr Fell

Cllr Lintonbon

Cllr Thomas

District Cllr Bill Dow

Mrs Bev Cornish – Clerk

Three members of the public.

**01.16 Election of a Chairman for 2016/17:** Cllr Lintonbon proposed, Cllr Cakebread seconded and it was RESOLVED that Cllr Draper be elected as Chairman for 2016/17.

**02.16 Election of a Vice Chairman for 2016/17:** Cllr Draper proposed, Cllr Fell seconded and it was RESOLVED that Cllr Lintonbon be elected as Vice-Chairman for 2016/17.

**03.16 To receive apologies for absence:** Cllr Williams and County Cllr Edward Heron.

**04.16 To receive Declarations of Interest in respect of matters contained in this agenda in accordance with the Localism Act 2011:** No declarations of interest were received.

**05.16 To approve the Minutes of the meeting held on 14th April 2016:** Cllr Fell proposed, Cllr Lintonbon seconded and it was RESOLVED that the Minutes be approved and signed as a true record by the Chairman.

**06.16 To review and re-adopt Standing Orders and Financial Regulations for 2016/17:** Godshill Parish Council RESOLVED to approve the re-adoption of the Standing Orders and Financial Regulations

**07.16 To consider and re-adopt the Parish Council's Complaints Policy for 2016/17:** Godshill Parish Council RESOLVED to approve the re-adoption of the Complaints Policy.

**08.16 To consider and review the Parish Council's Asset Register for 2016/17:** Godshill Parish Council RESOLVED to approve the Asset Register.

**09.16 To confirm approval of the arrangements for insurance cover in respect of all insured risks:** Godshill Parish Council RESOLVED to approve the arrangements for insurance cover in respect of all insured risks for 2016/17.

**10.16 To approve the Parish Council's procedures for handling requests made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000:** Godshill Parish Council RESOLVED to approve the procedures for handling requests made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

**11.16 To consider and re-adopt the Parish Council's Policy on Cycling in Godshill for 2016/17:** Godshill Parish Council RESOLVED to approve the re-adoption of its Policy on Cycling, subject to the inclusion of an amendment stating that 'Following an event, a copy of the de-brief from the National Park Authority should be emailed to the Clerk.'

**12.16 To consider and re-adopt the Parish Council's Policy on Filming, Photographing, Audio Recording & Social Media Reporting of Public Parish Council and Committee Meetings for 2016/17:** Godshill Parish Council RESOLVED to approve the re-adoption of its Policy on Filming, Photographing, Audio Recording & Social Media Reporting of Public Parish Council meetings.

**13.16 To agree the dates and times of ordinary meetings of the Council for 2016/17:** Godshill Parish Council RESOLVED to approve the dates and times of ordinary meetings.

**14.16 To resolve to appoint the following Representatives of Godshill Parish Council:** Godshill Parish Council RESOLVED to appoint the following Representatives:

- a) **Godshill Village Hall Committee (x2):** Cllr Williams
- b) **New Forest Consultative Panel (x1):** Cllr Draper
- c) **Footpath & Rights of Way Officer (x1):** Mr Peter Stammers
- d) **Police Liaison Meeting representative (x1):** Cllr Fell
- e) **New Forest Association of Town & Parish Councils (NFALC) (x1):** Cllr Cakebread
- f) **NFNPA Quadrant meetings (x1):** Cllr Cakebread
- g) **Western Escarpment Conservation Area Steering Group (x1):** Cllr Thomas
- h) **New Forest Wildlife Partnership (x1):** Cllr Cakebread

**15.16 Matters arising from the Minutes:**

**217./15 Litter Equipment:** Cllr Draper advised that the Clerk had ordered 6 handi-hoops and 6 Easygrip litter pickers from Wybone.

**217./15 Litter Warden:** Cllr Fell reported that he had enlarged the top of the parish litter bin to enable little to be deposited more easily at the request of Mrs Boyd. Following his request, the Clerk agreed to investigate with Mr Bob Brown the possibility of installing two more litter bins along Southampton Road in the vicinity of the bus stop and the cattle grid.

**218./15 Public Forum: Damage to Lady's Mile and Viewpoint:** Cllr Draper advised that the Clerk had informed The Verderers, the Forestry Commission, Ms Sarah Kelly at the NPA and the New Forest Police at Totton Station of the incidents whereby cars were doing wheel spins and turns along Lady's Mile and at the Viewpoint which had churned up the grass used for grazing.

**202./15 Public Forum: Sandy Balls:** Cllr Draper advised that the Clerk had contacted Ms Lucie Cooper at the NPA seeking clarification on the installation of the Safari Tents at Sandy Balls. She had also advised of the use of Activities Field for more than 28 days sending photographs as evidence.

**22.16: Correspondence:** Cllr Fell reported that he and Cllr Lintonbon had been liaising with Ms Sonia Green regarding the work being done by BT to remove old telephone poles and relocate wires to new poles. He said the work had been very uncoordinated, with residents frustrated by the lack of information and the work which was anticipated to be done during the road closure, had not been done. He said he would be liaising with the Clerk to follow up the concerns raised with BT.

Cllr Draper also advised that the Clerk had contacted both Ms Hayley Quinn, Finance Director and new Forest District Council following complaints received from residents regarding the noise from music caused by a wedding in Chamberlain Field on 30<sup>th</sup> April. He reported further that Ms Quinn had apologised and explained that the wedding was due to be held near the river but due to the weather and mud, it needed to be relocated at the last minute to Chamberlain Field. The new Events Manager was unaware of the issues and it has been agreed that he will contact the Clerk regarding any forthcoming events in Chamberlain Field or elsewhere.

**16.16 To receive reports from C/Cllr Edward Heron and D/Cllr Bill Dow:** D/Cllr Dow advised that Cllr Goff Beck would be the new Chairman of the District Council with Cllr Christine Ward being the Vice-Chairman and both were from the New Milton area. He also reminded everyone present to ensure that they responded to the Hampshire County Council consultation on the waste and recycling centres.

**17.16 Public Forum - 15 minutes to receive any questions or statements from members of the public:**

Ms Tracy Cooper advised that Sandy Balls had erected three panels of fence on the boundary of their property. The Chairman said he was pleased that this had been done at last.

Cllr Draper read out an email from Mr Graham Parker requesting that the Parish Council pursue the issue of litter dropped by Duke of Edinburgh trainees along Millersford Bottom on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> April. The Clerk agreed to contact the Forestry Commission.

Mr Peter Stammers asked if some maintenance work could be done to the bus shelter close to Sandy Balls. Cllr Draper said that this would be done on the next visit by the Parish Lengthsman.

**18.16 Planning and Tree Works Applications:**

**Application No. CONS/16/0362**

**Sandy Balls Holiday Village - Fell 2 x Conifer trees:**

Godshill Parish Council RESOLVED to ask the Tree Officer to consider this application carefully and to request that if the felling of the trees was approved that they be replaced by other suitable trees of an appropriate size.

**19.16 To consider a request made at the Annual Parish Meeting to write to the Forestry Commission to request that a small pedestrian footbridge be installed across the stream at the Pitts Wood Inclosure to enable access during the winter months:** Cllr Draper proposed, Cllr fell seconded and it was RESOLVED that this be approved and that the Clerk should write to the Deputy Surveyor at the Forestry Commission.

**20.16 Finance & Policy:**

**To resolve to approve the payment of the Accounts for May and to approve the Bank balances – Cheque and Reserve Accounts:**

	£	Cheque No.
Fordingbridge Town Council – Lengthsman expenses	26.66	100471
B Cornish – May Salary	310.33	100472

**Balances to be Approved and Noted as at 10.05.16:**

Current Account: £16,067.22 Deposit Account: £579.35

Cllr Draper proposed, Cllr Lintonbon seconded and it was RESOLVED that they be approved.

## **21.16 Outside Bodies And Representation:**

**Broadband:** Cllr Lintonbon gave a brief report on the issue of broadband and the information from Hyde Parish Council that it had received enough support from residents to fund its superfast broadband, despite BT Openreach intervening in the project by installing fibre in the 'easy' area thereby requiring the remaining residents to pay more for their area. He said that it would be very expensive for residents to follow Hyde's lead being in the region of £600 per household with the houses in Godshill Wood gaining no benefit because they were too far from the DSLAM. The next step was to write to Desmond Swayne MP to see whether he could have any impact on the situation.

**22.16 To note the Correspondence received:** Godshill Parish Council RESOLVED to note the following items of correspondence:

1. Ms Sonia Green – An email regarding the work being carried out to remove electricity poles in Woodgreen Road.
2. Mr K Durham – An email of complaint regarding the excessive noise from music in Chamberlain Field on 30<sup>th</sup> April.
3. Mrs J Harrington - An email of complaint regarding the excessive noise from music in Chamberlain Field on 30th April.
4. Forestry Commission – An email from Ms Esta Mion advising that the Commission has published the updated design plans on its website for view and comments. The online information gives a summary of the Forest Design Plan, a full introduction together with individual plans for individual blocks of Inclosures in the New Forest. The plans and supporting documents for the new Forest Design Plan are open for your comments until 6 June, after which the feedback phase finishes. Visit <https://englandconsult.forestry.gov.uk/forest-districts/new-forest-inclosures-forest-design-plan-2016>.
5. Ms Y Jones – An email seeking information on landownership in Godshill to assist the laying out of a trail for the forthcoming New Forest Arts Festival from June 11-26.
6. New Forest Association of Local Councils – An email from Mr Graham Flexman with notification of the Forest Conqueror cycle event on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> July. Maximum number of riders is 500 and there are three routes of which Godshill is on the longest route of 102 miles. It is being run from Gang Warily Recreation Centre.
7. Hampshire Association of Local Councils – An email advising of the launch of this year's Hampshire and Isle of Wight Village of the Year competition.
8. New Forest District Council – An email from Ms Carol Seymour advising of the New Forest Business Expo on Friday 3 June 10am-4pm at Brockenhurst College
9. New Forest National Park Authority – An email from Mr David Illsley advising of the next meeting of the Western Escarpment Conservation Area Steering Group which is confirmed as Monday 6 June 2016 at Fordingbridge Town Hall, starting at 7pm.
10. New Forest National Park Authority – An email from Mr David Illsley advising of the launch of the New Forest National Park Building Design Awards 2016. This builds on the success of last year's awards which saw over 20 schemes nominated in the categories of: (i) extensions; (ii) individual buildings; and (iii) larger developments. This year they are using the same categories and ask that nominations be submitted by Friday 7 October 2016
11. Hampshire County Council – A news update on Waste and Highways.
12. New Forest District Council – An email update from Mr Javed Ditta on the Hampshire Alliance for Rural Affordable Housing (HARAH).
13. Burley Parish Council – A further email containing a further response to the Forestry Commission regarding Harvestslade.

14. New Forest National Park Authority – A letter from Mr Steve Avery advising of the Development Control meeting being held on 17<sup>th</sup> May at which the application for Highfield will be considered.

### **23.16 Any Other Business.**

**Dog Fouling:** Cllr Lintonbon asked whether anything could be done about the excessive amount of dog fouling at Godshill Inclosure and elsewhere in the parish. Cllr Draper advised him that this was an issue discussed at length with Craig Daters, the New Forest Ranger, at the Annual Parish Meeting.

Following a brief discussion, the Clerk was asked to contact Craig Daters to see whether the Parish Council could consider organising a special event to inform residents about the dangers allowing their dogs to foul areas such as the cricket pitch within the parish.

**Cycling:** Cllr Lintonbon asked whether the Parish Council had been notified of a cycle event on the weekend of 7/8<sup>th</sup> May as Mrs Lintonbon had been caught in a stream of riders who were riding three abreast in Woodgreen Road. The Clerk said the Parish Council had not been consulted about any events for that weekend and she agreed to investigate the matter.

### **24.16 To confirm the date of the next meeting as Tuesday 14th June 2016.**

With no other business, the meeting closed at 8.36 pm.