

MINUTES

12.07.2016

GODSHILL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Village Hall, Godshill on Tuesday 12th July 2016 starting at 7.30 pm.

Present:

Cllr Draper - Chairman

Cllr Cakebread

Cllr Thomas

Cllr Williams

Mrs Bev Cornish – Clerk

Five members of the public.

Part 1

43.16 To receive apologies for absence: The Chairman advised that apologies had been received from Cllrs Fell, Lintonbon, Cllr Bill Dow and C/Cllr Edward Heron.

44.16 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.

45.16 To resolve to approve the Minutes of the meeting held on 14th June 2016: Cllr Draper proposed, Cllr Cakebread seconded and it was RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting held on 14th June 2016 be approved and signed as a true record by the Chairman.

46.16 To resolve to note the matters arising from the Minutes: Cllr Draper proposed from the Chair and it was RESOLVED that the following matters arising be noted:

17.16 Bus Shelter: Work to repair and paint the bus shelter by Sandy Balls had been started by the Lengthsman on Monday 11th July. However, as the repair work progressed it was established that unanticipated additional repair work was required and this would be done on Thursday 14th July followed by the painting.

19.16 Pitts Wood bridge: The Clerk had chased the Forestry Commission with regard to the Parish Council's letter to Mr Bruce Rothnie, Deputy Surveyor and had been asked to send a further copy.

23.16 Dog Fouling: Craig Daters, New Forest Ranger had responded to the Clerk's request to consider whether the Parish Council organise a special event to inform residents about the dangers of allowing their dogs to foul areas such as the cricket pitch within the parish. He said he would be keen for any efforts on site to be jointly supported by the Forestry Commission and other stakeholders, eg the cricket club, and would attempt to create a series of engagement sessions over the course of maybe two weeks. However, due to his work commitments, he would be unable to allocate time to this until September.

30.16 Public Forum:

Sandy Balls - Cornfield: The Clerk had spoken to Ms Hayley Quinn, Finance Director, regarding the concerns raised about the disturbance at Cornfield on 22nd May and there being no warden or anyone else available to contact. She apologised and said that there was nothing being held in Cornfield on that evening although during that time it had been identified that Tom Cumming's phone had been unreliable and this had since been replaced. For any further problems, she was asked not to hesitate to contact her.

Dragons Teeth: The Clerk had spoken at length with Mr Gary North at the Forestry Commission. He had agreed to contact BT regarding the cutting of phone and internet lines

caused by the works at Smithfield Farm. He will also be writing to residents who had dragons teeth installed on the verge outside their property and a letter of apology to those residents affected by the works through their phone lines. He would also speak to the Verderers and Beat Keeper about any possible changes.

Unlike Woodgreen Parish Council, Godshill Parish Council and residents were not been informed of any works. Woodgreen Parish Council had delivered letters to residents on behalf of the Forestry Commission in February 2016 and had held a consultation event in the Village Hall. It seemed that the work in Godshill was an 'overspill' of the work done in Woodgreen as identified by a 'representative Verderer' when he toured the area with Mr North and the Beat Keeper.

34.16 Litter bins: The Clerk had ordered two slimline litter bins from Wybone.

47.16 To receive reports from C/Cllr Edward Heron and D/Cllr Bill Dow: In Cllr Dow and Cllr Heron's absence, no reports were received.

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

Ms Tracy Cooper reported a further incident at Sandy Balls on Saturday 9th July when the gate to Cornfield was damaged and people entered the field to use it for cricket and football, causing a disturbance. She said she had been unable to contact anyone by telephone and so had had to go to the Guest Services desk to try to locate the Warden but once he was found, he went to the field to ask the people to leave. The Clerk said she would contact Tom Cummings to request that action is taken to prevent the unofficial use of Cornfield by guests and that phone calls requesting action are returned.

At this point in the meeting Cllr Draper proposed from the Chair that the meeting remain open to enable Mrs Philippa Duckworth, a Trustee of the Fordingbridge Museum to speak and that the item regarding the late Mr Peter Trim's house be brought forward for discussion.

49.16 To receive a brief report and to agree on any further actions to be taken with regard to the recording and archiving of the unique paintings on the late Mr Peter Trim's cottage in Well Lane: Mrs Duckworth said that she had been delighted that the Fordingbridge Museum had been contacted regarding the murals, paintings and photographs produced by the late Mr Peter Trim about which she considered it imperative that they be preserved as such valuable items of historic value to Godshill and to the New Forest community. She said that the museum was tiny and unable to store the murals but could create an archive of photographs which the trustees would also like to use for display when the museum visited local summer fairs.

Further discussion followed and agreement was made that Mrs Duckworth and Cllr Cakebread would liaise with Mr Trim's daughter, Mrs Tina Walker, about next steps and about speaking to experts at the museum about appropriate ways of restoring and preservation the materials. In addition, and following a suggestion from the Chairman about displaying the murals and paintings on the walls of the Godshill Village Hall, Cllr Williams agreed to raise the matter with the Village Hall Committee at its next meeting.

Cllr Draper thanked Mrs Duckworth on behalf of the Parish Council for kindly attending the meeting and said he looked forward to hearing in due course how the project had progressed.

50.16 Planning and Tree Works Applications:

Application No. 16/00418

Land adjacent to Millersgarth, Woodgreen Road, Godshill – Creation of pond: Following a brief report from Cllr Draper, he proposed, Cllr Cakebread seconded and it was RESOLVED that the Parish Council should recommend permission for this application which it considered would enhance the habitat of the whole area and be a welcome addition to the landscape.

Application No. 16/00471

Smithfield Farm, The Ridge, Godshill – Double garage with office over: Following a detailed report from Cllr Cakebread, she proposed, Cllr Thomas seconded and it was RESOLVED that the Parish Council should recommend permission for this application but would accept the decision reached by the National Park Authority's Officers under their delegated powers, subject to there being two conditions as follows:

1. There is a strict enforceable condition that it may not be used as additional or ancillary domestic accommodation to the dwelling.
2. As recommended by the case officer, the ridge line of the garage roof is lowered to below the level of the dwelling to be compliant with the NFNPA Design Guide 2011 Supplementary Planning Document.

Application No. CONS/16/0654

Forest View, Newgrounds, Godshill - Prune 1 x Yew tree Fell 1 x Ash tree: Following a written report received from Cllr Lintonbon, Cllr Draper proposed, Cllr Thomas seconded and it was RESOLVED that no objection be raised on the application but that the final decision be left to the Tree Officer.

Application No. CONS/16/0666

Forest Side, Newgrounds, Godshill - Fell 1 x group of around 6 x Conifer trees, Fell 1 x group of Cypress trees grown as a hedge, Fell 1 x group of unspecified number Cypress trees: Following a brief report from Cllr Draper, he proposed, Cllr Cakebread seconded and it was RESOLVED that no objection be raised on the application but that the final decision be left to the Tree Officer.

51.16 To consider and resolve to agree on any comments or additions to be made on Application 16/00492 for Millersgarth Plantation and Godshill Inclosure, an application for Scoping Opinion under regulation 13 of the Town and Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2011 (as amended 2015) for proposed under grounding of an existing section of overhead line: Cllr Cakebread gave a brief report on the recent National Grid Exhibition and it was agreed that she should complete the Visitor Feedback Form on behalf of the Parish Council expressing support for the proposal. In addition, Cllr Draper proposed, Cllr Cakebread seconded and it was RESOLVED that the Parish Council should submit no further comments or additions to the Scoping Opinion.

52.16 Finance and Policy:

B Cornish - June Salary with rise and backpay	319.54	100476
HM Revenue & Customs – Clerk's tax	235.00	100478
B Cornish - July Salary	213.40	100479

Balances to be Approved and Noted as at 12.07.16:

Current Account: £14,678.65 Deposit Account: £579.35

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

53.16 Outside Bodies and Representation:

Western Escarpment Steering Group: Cllr Thomas said he did not have anything to report except that the planned restoration works which should have taken place from Telegraph Hill to Pound had not been carried out and he would be seeking confirmation from the Group as to when these would now be done.

Village Hall Committee: Cllr Williams reported that the recent Quiz Night had raised £327 for the Hall.

54.16 To resolve to note the Correspondence received:

1. Ms Amanda English – Several emails requesting contact details and confirmation of response to be sent to the National Park Authority for the planning application for Paysanne.
2. Mr M Bentinck – An email asking the Parish Council to ensure it sources the agreed wooden litter bins for sustainable suppliers.
3. Hampshire Association of Local Councils – An invitation to attend the HALC AGM on 22nd October in Hartley Wintney.
4. New Forest Association of Local Councils – An email from Mr Graham Flexman about the Councillor Commission (being set up by the De Montford University) to conduct an independent review of the role and work of the councillor and the contribution made by councillors to the governance of their communities and the country.
5. New Forest National Park Authority – An email from Mr Steve Avery attaching the presentation materials for the planning training seminar held on 16th June.
6. New Forest Association of Local Councils – An email from Mr Graham Flexman enclosing the Agenda for the NFALC AGM on Thursday 21st July 2016 at 7 pm at Appletree Court, Lyndhurst.
7. Mr B Deakin – An email querying the siting of a large screen in the Piazza at Sandy Balls. *The Clerk had sought clarification from who Hayley Quinn who advised that no licence was required and that it is not available every night and switched off by 10 pm at the latest.*
8. New Forest National Park Authority – An email from Melanie Stephens attaching the latest Information Bulletin.
9. New Forest National Park Authority – An email from Mr Craig Daters requesting information on temporary campsites. *The Clerk responded advising of Tom's Field and Chapelfield.*
10. New Forest National Park Authority – An email from Mr Steve Avery seeking the Parish Council's comments on the Scoping Report for National Grid's proposal to underground the existing overhead line at Millersford Plantation and Turf Hill Inclosure.
11. New Forest National Park Authority – An email from Ms Vicky Gibbon advising of a meeting of the National Forest Park Full Authority on 14th July at 10.30 pm at Lymington Town Hall.
12. New Forest National Park Authority – An email from Ms Vicky Gibbon attaching the Minutes of the New Forest Consultative Panel meeting held on 2nd June 2016 and advising that the next meeting will be held on 1st September at the Community Centre in Lyndhurst.
13. Ellingham, Harbridge and Ibsley Parish Council – An email from Ms Natasha Mackenzie, Clerk, advising of the open day and What's On leaflet for Blashford Lakes which celebrates its 20th anniversary this year.

55.16 Any Other Business:

Campsites: Following a brief report on information regarding the number of days advertised by Tom's Field and additional camping available at Folds Farm in addition to Chapelfield, which Cllr Cakebread had received from a resident, the Clerk agreed to pass the information on to the Enforcement Officer as they exceeded the number of days for which they had been given permission.

56.16 Next meeting: Cllr Draper confirmed that the next meeting of the Parish Council would be held on Tuesday 9th August 2016 at 7.30 pm.

57.16 Part 2 – CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION – EXEMPT MATTERS - STAFFING

58.16 Cllr Draper to propose the following resolution – ‘That in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable in the public interest, that the press and public be temporarily excluded and they be instructed to withdraw’, seconded by Cllr Williams and it was RESOLVED that the meeting be closed to the press and public.

59.16 To consider and resolve to approve the 2016-18 National Salary Award and changes in pay scale as recommended by the National Association of Local Councils for the Clerk from 1st April 2016 in accordance with her Employment Contract: Cllr Draper proposed, Cllr Cakebread seconded and it was RESOLVED that the award be approved.

With no other business, the meeting closed at 9.00 pm.