

# MINUTES

12.03.19

## GODSHILL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held in the Village Hall, Godshill on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2019 starting at 7.30 pm.

Present:

Cllr Fell – Chairman  
Cllr Cakebread  
Cllr Lintonbon  
Cllr O'Brien  
Cllr Phillips  
Cllr Pomphrey  
Cllr Williams

District Council Bill Dow  
Mrs Bev Cornish - Clerk  
Four members of the public.

### Public Session:

No questions or statements were received.

**Cllr Bill Dow:** Cllr Dow advised that the date for the resurfacing works to Newgrounds had been rescheduled to start on 26th March 2019.

**166.18 To receive apologies for absence:** The Clerk advised that she received apologies for County Cllr Edward Heron due to illness.

### 167.18 Declarations of Interest:

**a. To receive Declarations of Interest in respect of matters contained in this agenda, in accordance with the provisions of the Localism Act 2011 in respect of members and in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1972 in respect of officers:**

Cllr O'Brien declared a personal and non-pecuniary interest in planning application No. 19/00075 for Street Acre as the property was located opposite to her house.

**b. To consider any Dispensation Requests received by the Parish Clerk and not previously considered:**

The Clerk confirmed that she had received no requests for dispensations.

**168.18 To resolve to approve the Minutes of the ordinary meeting held on 12th February 2019:** Cllr Williams proposed, Cllr Cakebread seconded and it was RESOLVED that the Minutes be approved and signed as a true record by the Chairman.

**169.18 To resolve to refer any business raised by the public in public discussion, and any other matters or items of information from councillors, to a future meeting or to resolve to agree on any other action:** No referrals were required as no questions or statements were received.

**170.18 To resolve to note the Clerk's Report providing information on recent issues and work completed:** Cllr Fell proposed from the Chair and it was RESOLVED that the Clerk's report be noted as follows:

**108.16 & 54.18: Speed Limit Repeater sign & Pinch Points:** The Chairman and Clerk will be meeting with Mandy Ware of Hampshire County Council Highways Team on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March to look at the Pinch Points, discuss locations for SLR poles and to look at the drain in Woodgreen Road.

**96.18: Defibrillator:** The Clerk has accepted a quote of £215 for the installation which will be carried out by Mr Dave Watton Electrical Ltd on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2019.

**150.18: Electric Fence adjacent to bridleway:** The Chairman and Clerk will be meeting with Helen Barber, Senior Countryside Access Ranger-South for Hampshire County Council on site on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March after the meeting with Ms Mandy Ware. The owners of the fence will also be present at the meeting. The Clerk is keeping Hyde Parish Council updated with progress.

### **171.18 Planning and Tree Works Applications:**

Cllr Fell proposed from the Chair and it was RESOLVED that the meeting be opened to members of the public.

The applicant for Street Acre spoke in support of the proposed plans and advised that work was long overdue to bring the property up to date. He also advised that blinds would be used to screen the artificial light from the single storey rear extension.

#### **Application No. 19/00075/FULL**

**Street Acre, Southampton Road, Godshill - Single storey side and rear extensions; 2no. new pitched roofs over existing flat roofs; 1no. porch; alterations to fenestration; demolition of existing side and rear extensions:** Following a brief discussion, Cllr Williams proposed, Cllr Fell seconded and it was RESOLVED that Godshill Parish Council resolved to recommend permission for the application but would accept the decision reached by the planning officers under their delegated powers. It also wishes to make the following comments:

1. That there be a condition requiring the boundary hedge at the front of the site to be retained.
2. That the potential impact be considered for the light pollution created by the wide expanse of glass comprising the 6 doors and roof light proposed in the single storey rear extension, as show on the Proposed North Elevation plan. This may be contrary to CP6 of the New Forest National Park Authority Core Strategy and the Council requests that an appropriate condition be applied in order to provide mitigation against this.

Cllr Fell closed the meeting to members of the public.

#### **Application No CONS/19/0111**

**Heatherlea, Southampton Road, Godshill - Fell 1 x Leylandii Cypress tree:** Cllr Fell proposed from the Chair and it was RESOLVED that the decision be left to the Tree Officer.

#### **Application No. CONS/19/0162**

**Old Post Office, Purlieu Lane, Godshill - Prune 1 x Oak tree:** Cllr Fell proposed from the Chair and it was RESOLVED that the decision be left to the Tree Officer.

**172.18 To resolve to approve the moving of the date of the Annual Parish Meeting from Tuesday 14th May to Tuesday 9th April 2019 at 7 pm due to the Town and Parish Council Elections:** Cllr Fell proposed from the Chair and it was RESOLVED that the new date of Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> April 2019 be approved. He said he wished his apologies to be recorded in advance because he would be away on business in Scotland and Cllr Lintonbon would chair the meeting.

**173.18 To resolve to agree on the Council's next steps with regard to the Historic Route and Past Pathways Project and the five rights of way to identify in Godshill parish:** Councillors discussed the proposed route put forward by Mr Gareth Owen, the National Park's Past Pathways Project Officer, which follows the route 'Ford.62 becomes Godshill.762 (Avon Valley Path) towards Castle Hill and Godshill Wood. Possibly to join up with walk around Frankenburg Hillfort'. Following a discussion, Cllr Fell proposed from the Chair and it was RESOLVED that this route be endorsed and put forward to the project as an historic route within Godshill parish.

**174.18 To resolve to agree on any tasks for the Lengthsman when he visits the parish on 22<sup>nd</sup> March:** Following several suggestions put forward by councillors with regard to work to be done to two footpaths, Cllr Fell said that he would investigate with the Clerk whether they were accessible for the Lengthsman prior to submitting a worksheet to him.

**175.18 To resolve to note the 26 recommendations contained in the Committee on Standards in Public Life's Review on Local Government Ethical Standards:** Following an explanation from the Clerk, Cllr Fell proposed, Cllr O'Brien seconded and it was RESOLVED that they be noted.

**176.18 To resolve to approve the following payments:**  
£28.76 - 1&1 Ionos - For website hosting from November to February  
£119.88 - Mrs B Cornish – For annual Home Working Allowance, phone and postage April 2018-March 2019  
£77.97 - Viking Direct - Printer cartridges for Clerk.

Cllr Fell proposed, Cllr Pomphrey seconded and it was RESOLVED that the payments be approved.

**177.18 Finance and Policy:**

**a. To resolve to approve the sum of £549.43 as the Accounts for payment for March:**

	£	Cheque No.
1&1 Ionos - Website Hosting	28.76	Direct Debit
B Cornish - Annual Home Working Allowance, phone & postage April '18-March '19.	119.88	100604
Viking - Printer cartridges	77.97	100605
B Cornish - March salary	322.82	100606

Cllr Fell proposed, Cllr Cakebread seconded and it was RESOLVED that they be approved.

**b. To resolve to approve the Bank balances – Cheque and Reserve Accounts.**

**Balances to be Approved and Noted as at 11.03.19**

Current Account: £11,234.48 Deposit Account: £580.09

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

### **178.18 Outside Bodies and Representation:**

**Western Escarpment Conservation Area Steering Group:** Cllr O'Brien advised that she had not been able to attend the meeting and the Clerk would circulate the minutes.

**North West Quadrant:** Cllr Cakebread on a recent meeting at which the following issues were discussed:

- Craig Daters, the New Forest Ranger reported that he was making urgent efforts to solicit public support for wildlife protection, particularly with regard to education on ground-nesting birds. Curlews were down to 40 breeding pairs.
- "Year of Green Action" (DEFRA): Grants were available on the website for schools and formal groups for activities (educational and volunteering, such as litter pick). £150, fairly easy to apply for.  
Green Action was being supported by removing some car parks, encouraging people to go to less sensitive areas. Duke of Edinburgh campsites had been removed and permission was no needed unless using designated sites.
- Local Plan: Steve Avery advised that the Plan was slightly delayed and now due at the end of April because Inspectors wanted Ashurst to be considered for housing. Workshops will be held on new policies.  
NPA was doing its best to influence neighbouring Authorities re development affecting the National Park.
- Enforcement: The department was now fully staffed with David Williams taking over from Paul Hocking.

**179.18 To resolve to note the Correspondence received:** Cllr Fell proposed from the Chair and it was RESOLVED that the following items of correspondence be noted:

1. Hampshire Highways Operation Resilience: An update on the carriageway resurfacing in Newgrounds, Godshill which is now programmed to start on 26th March 2019 and will last for 5 days.
2. New Forest District Council: An email from Rosemary Rutins enclosing a link to the nomination forms for the upcoming Parish & Town Council elections on 2nd May 2019.
3. New Forest National Park Authority:
  - An email from Nik Gruber advising that as from 1st April 2019 the NFNPA will no longer manage protected trees or Development Management matters for New Forest District Council.
  - Western Escarpment Conservation Area Steering Group – Minutes of the meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup> February.
4. Hampshire Association of Local Councils
  - March newsletter.
  - An email advising of Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs are now running the consultation 'Introducing a Deposit Return Scheme (DRS) in England, Wales and Northern Ireland'. The consultation will be open until 13<sup>th</sup> May 2019
5. Alderholt Parish Council – An email from the clerk seeking guidance on whether any local parishes wish to meet to have a meeting of councils to discuss the East Dorset Plan Options Consultation 2018 in which there are proposals for large scale development in Aderholt. The Clerk has responded stating that Godshill PC would like to attend a meeting with Alderholt and other interested councils.
6. New Forest Association of Local Councils – An email from Graham Flexman advising of forthcoming cycling events on 30th March and 13th/14th April. UK Cycling Events are now

operating their events under their own name. The next event by them which will impact on the New Forest are programmed for the 13th & 14th April (New Forest Spring) and will start/finish at the Somerly Estate in Ringwood. Wiggle have decided to operate their own event, the 'Wiggle, New Forest Sportive' which will take place on the 30th March and will start/finish at Pylewell Park, East End, Lymington. The Clerk has reported the proposed use of Blissford Road and Woodgreen Road by the Wiggle event on 30th March to the NPA's Safety Advisory Group who are trying to get the route changed to safer roads.

7. The Rotary Club of Fordingbridge: An email enclosing nomination forms for the 2019 Citizen of the Year Award.
8. Wessex Cancer Trust: An email enclosing a poster for the forthcoming Cakes4Cancer event which takes place from 6th to 12th May 2019 where friends, family or colleagues 'bake' a difference by asking for a donation in return for a cuppa and cake.
9. Ringwood and Fordingbridge Footpath Society – March edition of Waymark.

### **180.18 Any Other Business:**

**Access to Newgrounds:** Cllr Phillips raised the issue of access for commoners to the cricket pitch area from Newgrounds was blocked due it being overgrown. The Clerk said she would investigate this with the Forestry Commission.

**Verge Parking:** Cllr O'Brien expressed concern about the damage to the triangular grassed area caused by parked cars as the resurfacing works to Newgrounds was in the process of being done. She said the Clerk had given her some leaflets on verge parking and she suggested that councillors should be alert to continued parking in the location once the work had finished. Residents doing so should be advised not to park and the need to minimise damage to verges in the parish.

**Elections 2019:** Cllr Lintonbon advised that with regret he would not be standing as a candidate in the forthcoming elections. He said he had very much enjoyed working with everyone over the last 8 years and wished the Council well in the future. Cllr Fell asked that his thanks be recorded to Cllr Lintonbon for the tremendous contribution he had made to the work of the Parish Council during his tenure.

**181.18 Next meeting:** Cllr Fell confirmed the date of the next meeting as Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> April 2019 at 7.30 pm at Godshill Village Hall.

With no other business, the meeting closed at 8.22 pm.

*Members of the Council considered the foregoing in the matters in consideration of their duties: Equal Opportunities, (race, gender, sexual orientation, marital status and any disability); Crime & Disorder, Health & Safety, and Human Rights.*