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11.07.2023
GODSHILL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 11th July at 7.30 pm at Godshill Village Hall.

Present:

Cllr Fell – Chairman

Cllr Atwill

Cllr Cakebread

Cllr Sanger

Cllr Stammers

Cllr Woodward

Mrs Bev Cornish – Clerk

Three members of the public

Litter Warden

Mrs Boyd advised that she had nothing to report.

Public Question Time

A member of the public asked that the holiday home event advertising signs for Sandy Balls be removed as the event has now been held. Cllr Fell said that this would be raised with the management at the next meeting with Sandy Balls which was due to be held in September.

30.23 Apologies

No apologies were received.

31.23 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 Sanger declared a personal and non-pecuniary in all planning applications and did not vote.

Cllr Woodward declared a personal and non-pecuniary in tree works application 23/00868CONS as a neighbour to the site.

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

The Clerk confirmed that no dispensation requests had been received.

32.23 Minutes

Cllr Fell proposed, Cllr Sanger seconded and it was RESOLVED to approve the Minutes of the Annual Meeting held on Thursday 18th May and reconvened on Wednesday 24th May 2023 with an amendment to remove Cllr Sanger as one of the Council's representatives for the North West Quadrant.

At this point in the meeting, Cllr Fell proposed from the Chair and it was RESOLVED to open the meeting to allow two residents to speak on their tree works applications.

The first resident spoke in detail about the purpose of the work, the maintenance programme in place and the slightly confusing application address which was due to the new National Park Authority's website which did not allow an address not listed in the online form to be added.

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33.23 Planning and Tree Work Applications

Application No. 23/00853CONS

Chapelfield Campsite, Woodgreen Road, Godshill - 3x Oak reduce; 1x Oak pollard; 1x Ash pollard; 1x Cherry reduce to monolith; 1x Holly reduce:

Cllr Fell proposed, Cllr Woodward seconded and it was RESOLVED to leave the decision on the application to the Tree Officer.

Application No 23/00868CONS

St Giles Community Farm, Southampton Road, Godshill - Fell 1 x group consisting of 27 x Hybrid Poplars, 6 x Crack Willows and 2x Ash trees (shown as TG1) Fell 1 x group consisting of 6 x Hybrid Poplar trees (shown as TG2):

Cllr Fell proposed, Cllr Atwill seconded and it was RESOLVED to leave the decision on the application to the Tree Officer.

Application No 23/00883TPO

Waldens, Newgrounds, Godshill - Fell / Prune 9 x Monterey Cypress (TPO ID 32/03); Fell 1 x Sweet Gum; Prune 1 x Magnolia; Fell 1 x Bay:

Cllr Fell proposed, Cllr Woodward seconded and it was RESOLVED to leave the decision on the application to the Tree Officer.

Cllr Fell closed the meeting to members of the public.

34.23 Clerk's Report

Cllr Fell proposed from the Chair and RESOLVED to note the Clerk's Report providing information on recent issues and work completed:

Defibrillator Training: Clerk sought dates in July for Salamander Safety Training Solutions but Village Hall committee have advised that it would be better to do the training in September when more residents are available.

Platinum Jubilee Tree: Awaiting permission from Verderers and Forestry England.

Scottish & Southern Electricity Networks - Free Priority Service Register – Still awaiting confirmation of a date being booked with the Village Hall.

Broken Sign by Fighting Cocks: Reported to Highways.

Annual Governance & Accountability Return for 22-23: This has been to BDO LLP. The Notice of Elector's Rights has been advertised but no requests have been submitted so far.

Planning Application No. 23/00490 for Jubilee Farm – The planning officer has advised that there will be a further consultation once all additional documentation requested by her has been received.

Planning Appeal Hearing for Paysanne: A detailed letter was sent to refute a statement read out at the Hearing that the Parish Council had not acted correctly in its dealings with the application.

North West Quadrant Elections: The Clerk advised in detail about the numerous phone calls and correspondence with HALC, the Chair of Ellingham Harbridge and Ibsley Parish Council and sending an email to DEFRA to seek clarification, the Council had still not received a decision from DEFRA, despite the election outcome being clear. If a decision by DEFRA was not made before Parliament goes into summer recess after both candidates' names had been submitted, despite a clear 'winner' being known, there would not be an outcome until October.

Arniss Farm Planning Application: The Clerk advised that she had written to the planning officer advising that the patio doors were not, as he states in his report, a replacement for existing windows. If the report is not changed then she advised that the Council would need to make a statement at the forthcoming NPA Planning Committee meeting. She also

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advised that she could draft a statement and attend if required and the statement could be agreed by email as the Council had been advised of the meeting too late for it to be added to the agenda.

35.23 SSEN Resilient Communities Fund 2023

Cllr Fell proposed, Cllr Stammers seconded and it was RESOLVED that the Council should submit an application for a grant to purchase a generator to provide resilience during an extended power loss during a storm or flood event.

36.23 Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR) Part 3 for the year ended 31st March 2023

Cllr Fell proposed, Cllr Woodward seconded and it was RESOLVED to confirm that no conflicts of interest exist between the Parish Council and BDO LLP and that the Chair and Clerk should sign the form provided by BDO LLP.

37.23 Sale of Land Adjacent to Village Hall

Following a lengthy discussion, Cllr Fell proposed, Cllr Atwill seconded and it was RESOLVED that no action be taken at this time regarding the current sale of the land adjacent to Godshill Village Hall.

38.23 Speed Indicator Device Data

Cllr Woodward gave a detailed report on the data retrieved from the Council's Speed Indicator Devices. The average number of vehicles identified on the cameras was 55,000 per month with the highest speed incoming 104 mph and outgoing being 102 mph. Average incoming speed is 25.8 for 12 months and average outgoing speed is 26.7 mph for last 12 months. Most surprising was the number of vehicles which is half a million vehicles in 12 months ie 100 vehicles an hour.

Cllr Woodward suggested that the recording of data be changed to be collected on a financial year basis rather than calendar year.

39.23 Finance and Policy:

a. Payments

Cllr Fell proposed from the Chair and it was RESOLVED to approve the following payments:

£57.60 Ionos - Web hosting April to June

£450.00 - Mrs S Boyd - Litter Warden first payment

£255.00 - Mrs S Boyd - Maintenance of pinch points and plants

b. To resolve to approve the sum of £1,813.24 as the Accounts for payment for July:

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Ionos	Web hosting - April to June	57.60
Mrs S Boyd	1 st Tranche litter picker payment	475.00
Mrs S Boyd	Pinch point maintenance	255.00
B Cornish	June salary	373.02
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HM Revenue & Customs	PAYE April-June	279.60

Cllr Fell proposed, Cllr Woodward seconded and it was RESOLVED that the sum of £1,813.24 be approved as the Accounts for payment for July.

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c. To resolve to approve the Bank balances - Cheque and Reserve Accounts.

Balances to be Approved and Noted as at 11.07.23

Current Account: £12,922.41 Deposit Account: £621.47

Cllr Fell proposed, Cllr Woodward seconded and it was RESOLVED that the balances be approved and noted.

d. To resolve to approve the Budget to Actual Report to 30th June 2023.

Cllr Fell proposed, Cllr Woodward seconded and it was RESOLVED that the Budget to Actual Report be approved.

40.23 Outside Bodies and Representation:

Godshill Village Hall: Cllr Stammers gave a brief report on a recent meeting. A number of events were being organised and particularly musical events as these were very popular.

41.23 Correspondence

Cllr Fell proposed from the Chair and it was RESOLVED that the following items of correspondence be noted:

1. The Lengthsman is coming to the village on 24th July. The Village Hall Committee has asked for him to weed the car park and cut the hedge.
2. NFALC AGM is being held on 20th July 2023.
3. New Forest Community Energy Launch Event on Tuesday, 18 July 6.30 – 8.30 Lyndhurst Community Centre S043 7N7. A new programme for the New Forest which aims to bring communities together to develop community owned and led renewable energy projects.
4. NFNPA Planning Committee to be held on Tuesday 18 July at which the planning application for Arniss Farm is being considered.

42.23 Any Other Business:

Exhibition: Cllr Stammers advised that there was an exhibition of wood carvings by Tom Charman at the Lyndhurst Heritage Centre.

43.23 Next Meeting

Cllr Fell confirmed the date of the next meeting as Tuesday 12th September 2023 at Godshill Village Hall at 7.30 pm.

With no other business, the meeting closed at 8.55 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.