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11.06.2024
GODSHILL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 11th June 2024 at 7.30 pm at Godshill Village Hall.

Present:

Cllr Fell – Chairman

Cllr Cakebread

Cllr Sanger

Cllr Stammers

Cllr Woodward

Mrs Bev Cornish – Clerk

Three members of the public

Public Question Time

A member of the public expressed concern about the accuracy of the speed indicator devices on the Southampton Road.

A member of the public asked if a correction could be made to the Village Hall's website and its reference to bouncing bombs and 'Big Bertha'. The correct reference should be to the 'Grand Slam' and not 'Big Bertha'.

A member of the public advised that he had been in contact with Wessex Internet who had advised that their upgrade and installation of superfast broadband in Godshill would not be for a couple of years.

He also asked whether there was an update on the Broadhill Cottage planning application. He said that the garage was currently being demolished and this has been done despite a bat survey being in place.

28.24 Business Raised During Public Question Time

Cllr Woodward said he would contact the supplier to check how the calibration works and whether any adjustment was required. He also said that he would check them over the next few weeks and if any discrepancies were identified the Clerk would investigate whether they could be checked by the local community speed watch officer.

Cllr Fell said that when he had checked his speed when driving along the Southampton Road recently and the devices were accurate.

Cllr Fell advised that the Clerk would contact Wessex Internet for an update on the installation of broadband in Godshill following their commitment in December 2023 that it was likely to be installed in late 2024/early 2025.

Cllr Stammers agreed to take the correction for the website back to the Village Hall Committee.

The Clerk advised that she had received no further information from the planning officer on Broadhill Cottage and said that she would contact her again.

29.24 Apologies

Cllr Fell proposed, Cllr Sanger seconded and it was RESOLVED that the apologies received from Cllr Atwill due to a personal commitment be accepted.

Signed by the Chairman

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30.24 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 Cakebread declared a personal and non-pecuniary interest in Minute 35.24 as she was a contact of Carers Friends of the New Forest in her capacity as the organiser of Alderholt Chapel's Carers' Café.

- 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.

31.24 Minutes

Cllr Fell proposed, Cllr Stammers seconded and it was RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Annual Meeting held on 14th May 2024 be approved and signed as a correct record.

32.24 Planning and Tree Work Applications

Application No 24/00511PAA5

Smithfield Farm, The Ridge, Godshill - Agricultural storage building:

Following a discussion, Cllr Fell proposed, Cllr Sanger seconded and it was RESOLVED that Godshill Parish Council should raise no objection to the application. However, councillors requested that reassurance be given by the applicant and no authority be given that any services such as plumbing and electricity are proposed or permitted within the storage building.

33.24 Clerk's Report

Highways Issues: The Clerk has emailed Edward Heron and the highways team to ask that an engineer visits the village.

Newsletter: The Clerk would await a further update from Wessex Internet following the information from the resident that the upgrade may not now take place for 2 years.

Annual Internal Audit: The Notice of the Exercise of Electoral Rights has been published on the Council's website. Other parts of the website have been updated with more work to be done. All policies had been loaded.

Sandy Balls: The recent tree works application objected to by the Parish Council had been approved by James Palmer, the Tree Officer, as he could not justify putting TPO's on the trees under consultation.

Lengthsman: The Lengthsman has repaired the bin by the layby at Godshill Cross.

34.24 Memorial Plaque

Following a brief discussion, Cllr Fell proposed, Cllr Woodward seconded and it was RESOLVED that the wording of the plaque to be placed on the bench near Godshill Inclosure be approved and that the applicant's offer of a contribution of £400 plus an annual payment of £50 commencing in 2025 towards its maintenance be accepted. It was agreed that this would be kept in an Earmarked Reserved.

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35.24 Grant

To consider a request from Carers Friends in the New Forest for a grant towards providing advice and outings:

Following a discussion, Cllr Fell proposed, Cllr Sanger seconded and it was RESOLVED that the Council would be happy to support a specific event or activity and asked that the organisation makes a formal application when they are organising a specific event or activity.

36.24 Finance and Policy:

a. Payments

Cllr Fell proposed from the Chair and it was RESOLVED that the following payments be approved:

£139.00 – Mrs A Boyd – for maintenance of pinchpoints.

£475.00 - Mrs S Boyd - Litter Warden first payment

£35.00 – Information Commissioner’s Office – Annual Data Registration

b. To resolve to approve the sum of £1,024.74 as the Accounts for payment for June.

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Mrs A Boyd	Pinchpoint maintenance	139.00
Mrs A Boyd	Litter Warden first payment	475.00
ICO	Annual Subscription	35.00
B Cornish	June salary	400.75

Cllr Fell proposed, Cllr Woodward seconded and it was RESOLVED that the Accounts for payment for June be approved.

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

Balances to be Approved and Noted as at 11.06.24

Current Account: £6,872.28 Deposit Account: £10,722.40

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

37.24 Correspondence

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

1. North West Quadrant - Cllr Ann Sevier had asked if parish representatives would like an officer from the NPA to talk about dark skies and outside lighting at the next meeting. The Clerk advised that she had already responding in support of the request.
2. Martin Parish Council – Information received from the Clerk on Asian Hornets.
3. NFDC – Notification of a TENS licence application for Folds Farm on Bar for birthday party. The sale by retail of alcohol 22 June 2024 18:00hrs to 23:30hrs 100 persons.
4. An email from Derek Biggs, former Town Clerk at Totton, offering to conduct chairperson training in July and asks if there is any interest. It will last about 90 minutes and there will be adequate time for discussion and questions. The price will be £25 per person.

38.24 Any Other Business:

Sandy Balls: Cllr Woodward advised that the permanent Automatic Number Plate Recognition camera is due to be installed on 19th/20th June close to the entrance of Sandy Balls.

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39.24 Next Meeting

Cllr Fell confirmed the date of the next meeting as Tuesday 9th July 2024 to be held at Godshill Village Hall at 7.30 pm.

With no other business, the meeting closed at 8.57 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.