

NITON AND WHITWELL PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF NITON AND WHITWELL PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT WHITWELL VILLAGE HALL ON MONDAY 26th NOVEMBER 2012 AT 7:15 PM

PRESENT: Councillors J J W Attrill, P K G Fradgley, S Haytack, M A Innes, C R Peach, J A Stotesbury (Chairman) and J C Young

IN ATTENDANCE: Councillor D Stewart (Isle of Wight Council) Mrs V J Ford (Clerk to the Council) and one member of the public.

APOLOGIES: Councillors W C Arnold, R Barclay and J Boileau Goad.

M01/11/12 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

Councillor	Item	Minute Ref	Interest	Reason
J A Stotesbury	Invoice for repairs to skateboard ramp	M**/11/12	Personal	Invoice submitted from his son
J A Stotesbury	Funding for Community Youth Worker	M**/11/12	Personal	Member of Niton Methodist Church

M02/11/12 MINUTES

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 22nd October 2012 be taken as read, confirmed and signed as being an accurate record of the proceedings.

M03/11/12 FINANCE

Members had before them a schedule showing a cashbook balance of £28,789.63 in the General Funds and £5,985.72 in the Bequest Account. A schedule of accounts for payment was also before the meeting.

RESOLVED: that the Financial Statement to 19th November 2012 be received and noted.

Cheque Number	Payee	Details	Amount £
1153	Mr C R Peach	Expenses – Materials for Niton Tunnels Footpath	145.56
1154	Mrs V J Ford	Clerk's salary – November 2012	374.05
1155	Mr D Stotesbury	Repairs to skateboard ramp (labour and materials)	782.62
		Total	1,302.23

RESOLVED: that the Parish accounts as listed above be approved for payment.

The Parish Council thanked Councillor Peach for his work on Niton Tunnels footpath and Councillor Stotesbury for his work on the skateboard ramp.

M04/11/12 PLANNING COMMITTEE MINUTES

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on Monday 12th November 2012 be taken as read, confirmed and signed as an accurate record of the proceedings.

M05/11/12 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Members had before them one Niton and one Whitwell planning applications.

RESOLVED: that the Clerk be asked to submit to the Isle of Wight Council the comments set out in the Appendix which forms part of these minutes.

M06/11/12 CORRESPONDENCE

Members had before them a draft report to be agreed by the Isle of Wight Council to enter into negotiations with Vectis Holdings Limited for the sale of Blackgand Viewpoint car park. Although the draft report arrived too late to be included on the agenda, members made the following observations:

- that their thanks for sight of the draft report be conveyed to the Isle of Wight Council;
- that 'Niton' in the address of the car park should possibly be replaced with 'Chale';
- that the Parish Council should be kept informed of the progress of the proposed sale and, in accordance with paragraph 16. of the draft report, included in the consultation on any terms of agreement for sale should they be achieved following negotiations.

M07/11/12 PARISH QUESTIONNAIRE

RESOLVED: to authorise the release of information relating to the Community Bus service; the information to be used for the benefit of the service.

M08/11/12 FUNDING FOR COMMUNITY YOUTH WORKER

RESOLVED: that the grant of £500 for 2012/13 be reinstated (Proposed by Councillor Young, seconded by Councillor Innes, majority in favour).

RESOLVED: that the Clerk requests a report on the work and the numbers of attendees aged 9-12 years and 13-18 years.

M09/11/12 RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED: that, in view of the confidential nature of the business to be discussed, it is advisable in the public interest that the press and public be temporarily excluded for the following item and that they are instructed to withdraw in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 S1(2) and Standing Order 57.

MEMBERS OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC WERE THEN EXCLUDED FROM THE COUNCIL

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CM01/11/12 PARISH AND GROUNDS MAINTENANCE

Council members had before them tenders for the mowing and strimming of Niton Recreation Ground during the 2013 season.

RESOLVED: that the Clerk instructs John O’Conner (Grounds Maintenance) Limited to undertake the work in Niton Recreation Ground, carrying out up to 16 cuts and 8 strims throughout the year, January to December 2013.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9 pm

Signed..... Date.....

APPENDIX TO MINUTES

COMMENTS ON PLANNING APPLICATIONS

1. P/01649/12 – LDC/14543/F – Lawful Development Certificate for continued use of caravan as residential unit at Jolliffes Farm, Nettlecombe Lane, Whitwell: **NO OBJECTION; recommend approval**
2. P/01359/12 – TCP/14737/G – Alterations and conversion of barn to form residential unit to include single storey side extension (revised plan corrected red line) (readvertised application) at Bevois Farm, Laceys Lane, Niton: **Previous comments carried forward from 22nd October 2012: OBJECTION; recommend refusal** on the following grounds:
 - The situation regarding the bat roost needs clarification; the Parish Council requests that an ecological survey be carried out on the barn to establish if the bats have gone and to check that the conditions of the original planning application have been satisfied;
 - There is a lack of utilities and parking, since the plans are for an individual dwelling.The Parish Council requests a site visit from the Isle of Wight Council Planning Committee.