SHORWELL PARISH COUNCIL

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THESE MINUTES WILL BE FORMALLY ADOPTED AT THE NEXT MEETING.

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at the Village Hall at 19.30 Tuesday 6th March 2018

Present

C. Warne

Chairman

R.J.Haynes

Parish Councillor

K. Smith

Parish Councillor

J. Harrison A. Pearse Parish Councillor

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Parish Councillor

M. Davies

Clerk.

3 members of the public.

1. CHAIRMANS OPENING REMARKS.

The Chairman opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

2. <u>APOLOGIES.</u> G. Butler & S. Hastings

3. COUNCILLORS DECLARATION OF INTEREST IN AGENDA ITEMS.

None.

4. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING.

The minutes of the 6th February meeting were tabled, read and accepted as a true record. Proposed: R. Haynes. Seconded: J.Harrison.

Before the meeting Lydia Fulleylove was allowed to speak

She provided an update on the verge management plans that had been discussed earlier, and will draft a note for the Newsletter which will also ask for local volunteers to help with the work.

AONB have now advised Island Roads of 3 classifications for verge management-special interest, amenity areas and those with health & safety issues.

She also asked if a reminder could be included in the Newsletter, asking locals to drive safely & park carefully through the village and to avoid damage to verges.

The exercise of the bloodhounds on local paths was discussed. It was advised that permission had been given for the hounds to use the permissive paths.

5. REPORTS.

a) Recreation Ground.

A large fir tree adjoining the area was damaged in the storms and has now been taken down. Some debris still remains and if necessary the householders will be asked to remove.

b) Isle of Wight Council.

Steve Hastings provided a report.

Locally a meeting is to be arranged with Chale & Brighstone PCs to discuss speeding on the Military Road.

The Plastic Aware group who clean local beaches have been put in contact with IWC to arrange

better coordination and support for this work.

A meeting is arranged for 28/3 with Island Roads to discuss among other things the flooding at Yafford. Parish Councillor Haynes & Mr P. Turner have already spoken to Island Roads and suggested putting in a gulley to help flooding silt & debris left at the road junction, and also to upgrade the gulley opposite the pond and also the drainage ditch from the small pond which is always blocked. I have passed this information on to Steve Hastings.

c) Isle of Wight Association of Local Councils.

No report.

There is a new website for the association-www.iwalc.org- and members are asked to have a look at this.

d) Local Policing.

One incident for December-Anti Social Behaviour in Orchard Way.

Clerk's Report.

- 1) Letter from CPRE about the litter problem on the Island and a set of posters to display.
- 2) Letter from Guide Dogs Association and poster for local events.
- 3) Reply to IWC confirming amount of Precept requested.
- 4) Letter from IWC re agreed tree work at Rose Cottage, Newbarn Lane.

All other correspondence is shown under individual headings.

f) Highways Report.

A damaged 30mph sign at Sandy Way was reported and been replaced.

6. Planning.

No applications.

7. Finance.

The balance at 28th February was £10,931.07.

This includes £1200 which is earmarked for agreed usage on footpaths and their improvement.

Cheques to be approved for payment.

 Clerk's Wages-Feb
 £117.20

 16.5 hours
 £29.20

 HMRC-Tax Ded.
 £29.20

 Admin Exp Oct-Feb
 £8.97

Cheques Issued

001440 M Davies £117.20

001441 HMRC £ 29.20 001442 M Davies £ 8.97

Proposed: R. Haynes: Seconded: K. Smith

The end of the financial year is 31st March & the Clerk has confirmed that the Internal Auditor, Mr K. Ritchie, is prepared to continue.

8. Parish Record Book.

John Downer

9. Date of Next meeting and Chairman's Closing Remarks & Questions.

The date of the next meeting is 3rd April in the Village Hall, which will be the Parish Annual Meeting.

The following items were raised:

The Village Plan was completed 12 years ago and it was suggested that a sub-committee be set up to consider updating this.

New Judges will also be sought for this year's garden competition.

J. Harrison reported that he had spoken to Giles Aldred about steps on the steep section of the Shute Path. He would need space for his mower, and a site meeting is being arranged to calculate the materials required.

It was confirmed that the wire on the bridge should be removed and cleaned and the woodwork weatherproofed. It was agreed that if necessary, new wire would be obtained. Community Payback will be asked to provide labour.

There being no further items, the Chairman thanked everyone for attending, and the meeting was closed at 8.20 PM