

St Helens Parish Council

Ordinary meeting, Monday 10th September 2018, 7.00 pm at St Helens Community

Paper A



Centre

Present: Councillors: Chairman J Robertson, J Coleman, M Anderson C Hind, J Spit, K Tutton, and I Thomson

Clerk: R Priest

Public: Sixteen and IW Cllr B Tyndall

Minutes

Action

56/18/19 Apologies-

Apologies received from Cllr V Duckett, and IW Cllr M Murwill.

57/18/19 Declarations of interests and requests for dispensation-

There were none, and members noted their contact details were in the public domain in respect of the GDPR.

58/18/19 Minutes-

Cllr Robertson referred to the minutes and Cllr Anderson proposed, seconded Cllr Spit, that the Minutes of the meeting held on 11th June 2018 be approved as a true and accurate record; and Cllr Spit proposed, seconded by Cllr Anderson, that the minutes of the extra-ordinary meeting of 29th August 2018, be approved as a true and accurate record, subject to correction of apologies.
Resolved – Minutes approved unanimously.

59/18/19 Chairman's Announcement-

Cllr Robertson thanked members and residents for their attendance and contribution to the extra-ordinary meeting on 29th August 2018, and noted the comments made in the minutes and on website, and that any update would be reported at a future meeting. Cllr Robertson noted a site visit, to the Duver, with local residents, Cllr Hind and the Clerk to discuss the condition and maintenance of the public space, and that this would be on future agenda once more details received. The Clerk outlined arrangements for the publication of Agenda's and use of the 2 notice boards in line with Standing Orders.

RP

60/18/19 Public participation-

Mr Dyer outlined concerns regarding the Green, and noted that the Parish Council had recognised the need to protect the public space, and the IWC needed to prioritise support for the longer maintenance of the area, including addressing issues caused by a wall being in disrepair; Mr Dyer also provided the Chair with written comments for information and inclusion at a future meeting.

Mr Williams outlined his concerns regarding the IW Council consultation on Station Road Toilets, and noted this was an Agenda item.

RP

61/18/19 Report of Isle of Wight Ward Councillor-

Cllr Tyndall confirmed the arrangements for the forthcoming IW Council Cabinet meeting in the Ward, and that local councillors would have the opportunity for a private briefing with Cabinet Members after the meeting.

Cllr Tyndall also updated members on Local Government Boundary Commission proposals for IW Council wards from 2021.

62/18/19 To note, and comment as appropriate, on IWC Consultation on proposed amendment of Common Land Register regarding Station Road Toilets.

Cllr Thomson noted the concerns expressed by residents regarding the background to site registration, and the implications of deregistration, and also noted the implications for the continued operation of the Public Conveniences on the site. Members also noted that, once the registration situation was clarified, the Parish would be in a position to discuss the continued operation of the Conveniences under a Tenancy at Will arrangement.

Resolved: The Parish Council unanimously agreed to comment:

- 1/ There was a need to protect the integrity of the Green, now and in the future;
- 2/ There was a need to address the concerns raised by residents; and
- 3/ If the site is de-registered, and not used for public toilets, it should be re-instated as a Green and further consultation, about future usage, should be undertaken with the Parish Council and Residents.

63/18/19 To note and comment as appropriate on the Local Government Boundary Commission's draft recommendations for Ward Boundaries on the Isle of Wight

Members discussed the proposals, and Cllr Coleman noted that St Helens, with Brading, would be served by 1 IW Councillor under the proposals, and Bembridge would also have 1, and there would be a reduction of 1 Councillor overall.

Resolved: Cllr Robertson Proposed and Cllr Thomson seconded, members noted the report and this would be fully discussed at next meeting.

64/18/19 To note, and make recommendations to the appropriate authorities, regarding St Helens Parking Strategy

Cllr Tutton outlined the background to the development of the draft strategy, jointly commissioned with IW Council, and noted that, recent meetings identified Parking as a major concern of residents, together with Traffic issues around the Green: members had been briefed regarding the key options within the strategy, and initial discussions with IW Council and Island Roads had identified the potential opportunity to take forward elements of the options paper at the same time as forthcoming resurfacing work, planned for late October.

Cllr Tutton outlined the potential creation of an additional 15 or so parking spaces along Lower Green Road, and to achieve this consideration would need to be given to the possibility of an Experimental Traffic Order, subject to the provision of a layout design, and further engagement with local residents and the Parish Council: to secure this within the timescales, the Parish Council would need to allocate £2,000 of reserves (allocated to Village Green in the Budget) to commission the work before the next meeting.

Members discussed the need to ensure local engagement, and recognised the prioritisation contained in the Village Plan and resources identified in the budget, members also recognised the implications of the proposals and potential final costs, and thanked Cllr Tutton for his work developing the options and bringing to the meeting, as well as outlining a way ahead that lines up with the Island Roads schedule of works.

Resolved: Members noted the strategic document unanimously, and agreed that the contents set out the options available without commenting on any of the options prior to the engagement event.

Cllrs Tutton, Coleman, Hind, Spit and Anderson supported allocation of up to £2,000 to fund design development and consultation (if highways/Island Roads consider viable) to bring forward potential scheme; Cllrs Robertson and Thomson voted against.

Members unanimously agreed to arrange a consultation/briefing for residents provisionally on Friday 5th October 2018, with a paper to be presented, for decision, on Monday 8th October 2018.

65/18/19 Finance-

- a/ The RFO presented the following invoices for authorisation which were **agreed:**

Chq No	Payee	Amount £
300171	Kyle Richardson (re-issued cheque – 300167)	300.00
300172	S. Hook Plumbing Services	58.55
300173	Biffa Waste	108.91
300174	Island Roads (Bin Collections)	992.64
300175	Community Action (July)	732.08
300176	Biffa Waste (Duver)	86.75
300177	Biffa Waste	108.91
300178	Community Action (August)	732.08
300179	CLLr Anderson (IWALC Expenses)	13.70

- b/ Members noted payments made in summer break, and agreed to terminate Biffa Service to the Duver after half term at end of October.

66/18/19 Planning applications received- the Council considered the following applications:

- a/ [TCP/33198/A - P/00797/18](#) Little Orchard, Eddington Road, St. Helens, Ryde, Isle Of Wight, PO331XS Householder Application - Removal of car port; alterations to extend existing vehicular access.

Resolved: Members unanimously agreed to comment that the application needed to ensure the concerns previously expressed are addressed, that details on the plan provided needed to be clarified, and any Highway concerns need to be satisfied.

- b/ Members also noted applications made during the summer break, and to clarify some of the common themes of applications and impact on the Highway, and character of the village.

67/18/19 Notifications received from Planning Authority –

- a/ Members noted decision previously made and circulated by the planning authority.

68/18/19 Maintenance –

Members noted actions taken during the summer.

69/18/19 Member Matters-

- a) The Clerk had not received any questions on the work of the Council by noon 9th September 2018.
- b) The Clerk updated members on correspondence on usage of the Green, and CLLr Hind noted the stakeholder meeting held on 29th August, and CLLr Coleman noted the arrangement made for collection of cuttings produced by sports groups, and that future meeting is being planned for late October.
- c) CLLr Tutton updated members of arrangements for initial project with local students, church and historical association, and that initial costings of £500 would be within budget allocation and firmed up for next meeting, CLLr Spit noted wider project with Historical Association.
- d) CLLr Anderson noted concerns regarding dogs on leads on Duver and this would be on November Agenda.
- e) CLLr Spit noted future development of Bench Policy, given number of benches in Village, and CLLr Thomson outlined previous Bench Survey.
- f) CLLr Tutton outlined initial ideas for lights of love at Christmas to link with tree lighting, and CLLr Coleman noted offer from local businesses.
- g) CLLr Spit reported that Emergency Team were due to meet, and any need for Defibrillator Training needs would be discussed.
- h) CLLr Anderson noted the condition of the shelter and need for volunteers to undertake maintenance work.

70/18/19 Key Messages

CLLr Tutton noted the key messages and would forward to local magazine and media.

71/18/19 Date of next meeting-

The date of the next meeting was scheduled for Monday 8th October 2018, with a public engagement event on Friday 5th October; Members noted that a meeting of the Personnel Committee was to be arranged.

Meeting closed at 8.25pm

Signed (Chairman) 8th October 2018