

Chale Parish Council

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Minutes of the **Meeting of CHALE PARISH COUNCIL** held on Monday 13th December 2021 at WI Hall, Chale Street, Chale commencing at 7.00pm. The Meeting was recorded for the purposes of accuracy.

Present

Councillors: Cllrs: Ron Groves, Pete Gosling, Dian McWilliam, Dave Stewart, Chris Parker.

IW Councillor: Claire Critchison

Clerk: Mrs Michala Bailey

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126/21 APOLOGIES

To receive and approve any apologies for absence

RESOLVED: Liz Groves sent her apologies.

127/21 DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS

To receive any declarations of pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests and written requests for dispensations on items forming the agenda

RESOLVED: Chairman Ron Groves declared an interest at 130/21 due to claiming expenses for CRAB.

128/21 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 8th November 2021.

Clerk raised outstanding issues from last meeting to be resolved. A response was received from Chale Churchyard Committee in relation to their request for funding. Council agreed that a grant would be considered but not until the end of the financial year once the PC have completed their annual financial commitments. Clerk reminded Councillors that the PC have lost grant money this year and still trying to run the PC on very little income.

Councillors were advised that the council received 6 small trees, approx. 12" tall from IWC To plant on the green. Councillor Gosling will pot them on and look after them until they are ready to plant.

Ward Councillor confirmed that she has made contact with National Trust regarding the Queens Jubilee. Councillor Gosling has been advised that CPC already have a brazier.

Council member Stewart has spoken to Chairperson of Niton PC who is happy to do a joint event and put before Niton PC.

Joint funding of WI Hall notice board is under way for repair by Dave Badman.

IWRR have yet to come back with answers from the questions raised at the liaison meeting called by them last month. Council Member Parker asked that if there is no response by the next council meeting then CPC should write to them asking for a response.

RESOLVED: Minutes were approved and duly signed. Councillor Gosling will contact Woodland Trust to see if they have some sizable trees to purchase.

129/21 PLANNING

A. 21/02313/FUL. Box Cottage Southdown Chale Ventnor Isle Of Wight PO38 2LJ
Proposal: Proposed extension to enlarge sun room with replacement raised roof to allow accommodation at 1st floor level

RESOLVED; Clerk to advise Planning that Council have concerns over light pollution.

B. 21/02061/HOU Location: Badgers Holt Pyle Shute Chale Ventnor Isle Of Wight PO38 2LE
Proposal: Proposed detached timber garden shed. Decision: GTD

RESOLVED; None.

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FINANCE

5.1 To note bank reconciliation for November 2021.

RESOLVED. That reconciliation was noted.

5.2 Receipts and payments for November 2021.

13/12/21	chq 1301	WI Chale - Hall Hire	£15.00
13/12/21	chq 1302	Community Action – payroll	£703.77
13/12/21	chq 1303	IWC- Election Costs	£24.00
13/12/21	chq 1304	SLCC– Clerk Yearly Membership	£134.00
13/12/21	chq 1305	Ron Groves – Chairman Exps	£78.75
13/12/21	chq 1306	Michala Bailey – Clerk Expenses	£60.54

Total **£1016.06**

RESOLVED: Payments agreed.

5.3 To note yearly charge of Grounds Maintenance.

Clerk advised council that the IWC costs for grass cutting will raise to £776 + VAT for 2022/23.

RESOLVED; None

5.4 To note and agree the Clerk yearly membership to SLCC.

RESOLVED: Agreed by Council to fund membership.

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WIGHTFIBRE

Clerk advised Council that the scheduled presentation this evening will now take place in the New Year but in essence it will be arranged by WightFibre who wish to engage with the residents and PC to extend WightFibre into the village. WightFibre have recently employed a community engagement officer who will be in touch with the Clerk. It was suggested that the church may be a suitable venue for such a community meeting.

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ISLAND ROADS

Clerk advised Council that correspondence had been received regarding 2 Traffic Regulation Order reviews that require discussion.

1. Blackgang Old Road – revoke No waiting at any time 1/6-30/9 on north side and No waiting at any time restriction on the the South-west side. Private Road
2. Blackgang Old Road – No waiting at any time, 1/6-30/9 and introduce No waiting at any time parking restriction.

RESOLVED: No objections raised.

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REVIEW OF POLICIES

8.1 Code of Conduct Policy

RESOLVED: Council Member Stewart recently attended Code of Conduct training by IWALC and agreed how informative and useful it was. Clerk to chase Slides from the training for dissemination to Councillors.

8.2 Complaints

8.3 Publication Scheme

RESOLVED: Council Member Stewart and Parker agreed to having email addresses only.

8.4 Equality & Diversity Policy

RESOLVED: All policies reviewed and agreed.

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CHRISTMAS GREETING ADVERT

Clerk advised that an email from the Observer had been received asking if CPC wanted to place a Christmas message in the next edition at a cost of £25+vat.

RESOLVED: Council agreed not to spend un-necessary funds and Clerk to place a message on the Parish website.

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TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM:

CLERK. Clerk report was circulated prior to the meeting. Clerk updated that the listed building application on the phone box has now been running for 17 weeks and the average time is 21 weeks. Clerk also advised council that the milestone by the church is listed so any renovations/work to it must be done in line with listed guidelines. The reply from the Open Spaces Society was circulated and it was agreed that some of its content was to be forwarded to the IWC, planning and planning committee now that further legislative info has come to light.

A Complaint has been emailed regarding the overnight parking behind the old scout hut. The complainant wishes to know if this is a matter for the Parish Council and can parking signs be put up.

Clerk also mentioned that there may be a likelihood of future meetings being held by Zoom should the current COVID situation worsen. Clerk sought authority to re-join and pay for Zoom membership should this happen prior to the next Parish meeting.

RESOLVED: Clerk to write to CEO of IWC, Head of Planning, Chairman of Planning Committee and Ward Councillor highlighting issues raised. Clerk to forward parking complaint to IWC. Councillors agreed that Clerk can re-join Zoom and pay fee of £119.90 should the need arise.

CHAIRMAN. Chairman advised that the monthly meeting with MP Bob Seely was Cancelled. Carols on the green are confirmed for the 16th. Mulled Wine and Mince Pies will be provided.

The Chairman wished to thank Mr Brian Harding, Councillor Gosling and Meg Groves for donations towards the Christmas Tree. Parish Council are very thankful to Kevin Joyce and staff for their help with putting up the tree.

There is an opportunity for the Parish to apply for further grant money to help with the pop-up shop from Connect4Communities.

The phone box door near the green has been damaged in the wind. There is a need to repair this as we want this to be used for the defibrillator. We also need some defib signs. Clerk advised that there is £100 set aside for any repairs to the phone box.

RESOLVED: Clerk to apply for £5000 grant from C4C to assist with pop-up shop and other issues arising from COVID.

COUNCILLORS. RESOLVED: None

WARD COUNCILLOR CRITCHISON. WC Critchison has now been in office for 6 months.

The Tour of Britain is going to be held 11th Sept 2022. The route is still being looked at but it is likely to include Chale Parish. There will be a rolling road closure so this should not impact the roads too much. More information will be available in February.

WC Critchison is holding catch up sessions each month in Shorwell and Niton.

There is a waste/recycling survey coming out. IWC want to assess what, how much more re-cycling is needed.

The re-surfacing of Blackgang viewpoint is still ongoing.

RESOLVED:

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QUESTIONS FROM MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC.

RESOLVED. No questions raised.

MEETING CONCLUDED AT 9.00PM

Chairman.....

12th January 2022

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