

# Chale Parish Council

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Minutes of the **Special Meeting of CHALE PARISH COUNCIL** held on **Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2021** via zoom due to the ongoing restrictions because of the corona virus pandemic, commencing at 7pm. The Meeting was recorded for the purposes of accuracy.

## **Present**

**Councillors:** Cllrs: Ron Groves, Pete Gosling, Liz Groves, Dian McWilliam.

**IW Councillor:** Not Present

**Clerk:** Mrs Michala Bailey

**Public:** 6

**81/21**

### **APOLOGIES**

To receive and approve any apologies for absence

**RESOLVED: Not Present, Ward Councillor Critchison & Councillor Stewart.**

**82/21**

### **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: None**

**83/21**

### **ASSET OF COMMUNITY VALUE**

The Chairman opened the meeting by advising that the AVC is now in play and that the Parish Council have until 28<sup>th</sup> December to put together a plan of securing the purchase of Chale Green Stores either as a single plot or as a whole. The following figures were then asked for and advised: **Plot 1.** Original 1910 building with café, kitchen, original shop space with 2 adjoining rooms and 1<sup>st</sup> floor 2 bedroom flat, parking to the front, garden to the rear at £375,000. **Plot 2.** Modern single storey shop building with garden to boundary £230,000.

**Plot 3.** Car Park and area formerly occupied by butcher shop and storage with plans for 3 bedroom cottage. £100,000. Total cost for all £705,000. Concerns were raised regarding the Planning Dept's decision to allowed delegated powers on permission for the conversion and building without the planning committee being involved. A letter of complaint has been sent to IOW Head of Planning and Head of Planning Committee to which there has been no response or even acknowledgment to the Parish Council.

Ideas of how to raise the funds to purchase individual plots or the whole site were mentioned and how to utilise the space should purchase be successful. A business plan requires putting together and members of public attending the meeting agreed to assist with this by setting up a working party. However, most importantly, the issue at present, is to ask Ward Councillor to 'Call-in' the decision of the planning officer bearing in mind the issue of contamination and the Unlawful use of common land for private gain has not been adequately addressed in the planning conditions.

**RESOLVED: Chairman Groves to make contact with Ward Councillor to discuss her taking forward the PC's complaint and 'Calling in' the decision-making process of the IOW planning Dept.**

**Clerk to arrange a date and venue for working party meeting once progress of Complaint made known.**

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**COMMON LAND**

The Chairman advised Councillors that there has been some interest in using the Common Land (car park) in front of the old stores for table top sales, on a similar basis to a car boot. The clerk has made contact with IOW licensing dept who have stated that as long as an entrance fee is charged then no license is required. Issues around managing it and safety of those attending would have to be looked at.

The post box situated on the wall of the shop is being sealed and moved at the end of the month. This has been confirmed by Royal Mail, however, as it's a 'Priority' box the re-siting will be done asap but the village will be without one for a while.

The re-siting of the Cycle Hub is also being considered. The Chairman put forward putting it in the old bus stop on the green to the left of the shop.

**RESOLVED: Chairman to look at setting up a 'car boot' type event. Volunteers required to help please.**

The Meeting was closed at 8.16pm

Chairman.....  
8th September 2021

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