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Minutes of the **Meeting of CHALE PARISH COUNCIL** held on Monday 8th November 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, Liz Groves, Dian McWilliam, Dave Stewart, Chris Parker.

IW Councillor: Claire Critchison

Clerk: Mrs Michala Bailey

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APOLOGIES

To receive and approve any apologies for absence

RESOLVED: None

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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: Councillor Liz Groves declared that a planning item 114/a was a neighbour.

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MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 11th October 2021.

Clerk raised outstanding issues from last meeting to be resolved. Chairman to contact Wight Mouse in relation to Emergency Plan and Mr Coulson. Wight Mouse contacted but unable to make contact with Mr Coulson. WC Critchison tasked to raise road surface at Viewpoint Car Park with Island Roads or IWC. Still to action. Clerk tasked to speak with Mr Thornton at Island Road regarding AVC at Southdown. Unable to make contact with him after emails sent.

RESOLVED: Minutes were approved and duly signed.

114/21

PLANNING

A. No: 21/02061/HOU. Location: Badgers Holt, Pyle Shute, Chale, PO38 2LE

Proposal: Proposed detached timber garden shed (comments by 19 Nov).

RESOLVED; No Objections raised.

2 ADDITIONAL APPLICATIONS WERE RECEIVED AND DISCUSSED DUE TO THE TIGHT DEADLINES FOR COMMENTS TO PLANNING DEPT.

No: 21/02167/HOU Location: Silver Birch, Chale Green, Chale, Ventnor, Isle Of Wight

PO38 2JN Proposal: Proposed replacement garage; alterations to dwelling to include dormer window on rear elevation.

RESOLVED; No Objections raised.

21/02172/RVC Location: Chale Green Stores, Chale Green Post Office, Chale Green, Chale, Ventnor, Isle Of Wight, PO38 2JN. Proposal: Variation of condition 2 on 20/02248/FUL to allow retention of the frontage of the site asexisting, revision to parking spaces and landscaping to frontage of dwellings.

RESOLVED; Councillors expressed more concern over the parking spaces being built upon common land and beyond the boundary of ownership. Clerk to object to proposal and to request that this application be put before the planning committee and that CPC be allowed to make representation. WC Critchison will make representations to IWC Planning Committee to review this planning application.

B. NONE

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FINANCE

5.1 To note bank reconciliation for October 2021.
RESOLVED. That reconciliation was noted.

5.2 Receipts and payments for November 2021.

8/11/21	chq 1297	WI Chale - Hall Hire	£15.00
8/11/21	chq 1298	Community Action – payroll	£573.97
8/11/21	chq 1299	Michala Bailey – Clerk Expenses	£61.58
8/11/21	chq 1300	Sight for Wight – S137 Grant	£60.00

Total **£710.55**

RESOLVED: Payments agreed.

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HEALTH & SAFETY POLICY

Clerk presented the H&S policy for review. NO changes to be made.

RESOLVED: Policy Agreed.

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TREE PLANTING

Clerk advised that the tree officer for IWC had made suggestions of the types of trees to plant but that the long-term maintenance would be the responsibility of the PC.

RESOLVED; Clerk to make contact with tree officer and set up planting of 3 clumps of 3 trees on the green and 1 lone tree near the junction of town lane providing there is sufficient room and does not cause a hazard to road users. There could also be individual trees on the left of the road. Councillor Gosling offered to water and nurture the trees initially.

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CAROLS ON THE GREEN

Chairman asked council to agree on a date for this year's carols on the green. The provision of the Christmas Tree will be made by anonymous donation. Andy Price is happy to come along with his band. Further discussion took place regarding the purchase of a permanent tree that can be used year on year.

RESOLVED; Date of 16th December at 6pm agreed.

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WILDFLOWER AREAS

Clerk advised that emails were sent to other town/parish clerks asking for feedback on Wild flower areas within their parish areas. Of the 3 responses, all appeared positive. Councillors agreed that the appearance of the area once the flowers have finished for the Season was of concern but should not be a reason for not trialling the areas for next year. Councillors Groves and Gosling has recently visited another Parish and looked at their Wildflower area which looked unsightly and full of litter.

RESOLVED; Area of wildflower planting will take place around the new trees planted on the Green. Councillor Gosling agreed to mow, strim and collect cuttings each year.

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IWRR UPDATE

Chairman advised Council that he had received an email from Tim Addison requesting that the council par-take in a steering group for the IWRR. A request for 2 councillors and 2 members of the public be present at a meeting on the 16th November, 7pm at the WI Hall. Mike Starke has already volunteered. Councillors Gosling and McWilliam agreed to represent the council and report back.

RESOLVED; any questions to be put to the IWRR to be sent to Councillors Gosling or McWilliam prior to the meeting. Chairman will also attend meeting. Chairman will approach Rachael Peyton as the 2nd mop to attend. WC Critchison updated Council that a formal application has been made to IWC who will be meeting in January to make a decision.

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QUEENS PLATINUM JUBILEE

Clerk advised that an email was received from Buckingham Palace regarding the forthcoming Platinum Jubilee of HM Queen Elizabeth II. The request is consideration for the lighting of a Beacon at 9.15pm on 2nd June 2022. Location was suggested to be at the Pepperpot and perhaps a joint venture with Niton and Whitwell PC.

RESOLVED; Councillors Gosling, Stewart and Parker agreed to make contact with Niton & Whitwell to arrange this event. Councillor Gosling to speak with Dave Badman to determine how much it would cost to make a beacon. Clerk to send full BP document to Councillors.

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WI/CPC JOINT NOTICE BOARD

Chairman advised council that the WI have advised that notice board outside the WI Hall requires repair or replacement and have asked for financial assistance with this. Councillors agreed to pay 50% of the costs to have a joint notice board.

RESOLVED; Chairman to speak with local resident Dave Badman to ascertain cost.

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CHALE CHURCHYARD LETTER

Clerk advised council that a letter had been received from Chale Churchyard Committee requesting a donation of £500 and details of the CPC representative wishing to sit on the Committee. A discussion took place regarding the amount as this equates to half of the Parish grant budget. Councillors asked what the grant was for but this was not included in the request.

RESOLVED; Clerk to request details of what the grant would be for and a copy of the financial record for the committee before the PC can make an informed decision. A Council representative was not established at this time.

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TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM;

CLERK. Clerk report was circulated prior to the meeting. 1 item for further discussion was a late email request for funding of the Story writing competition by Sight for Wight. The Council agreed to donate £60 to this year's event (same as last year). Clerk also advised that letter of complaint regarding the speeding along the Military Road and throughout Chale Village had been sent to Bob Seely MP, Chief Constable Pinkney, Supt Jackson, Police Crime Commissioner and the head of the council Lora Peacey-Wilcox. The only response so far is from the Chief Constable who has referred this to the local Road Policing Dept. WC Critchison advised Councillors that there is currently a speed review being undertaken on the island. Clerk also advised that there is still £1400 of CRAB money left to spend. Councillors agreed to save this money for those residents in need this winter.

RESOLVED; Clerk to send donation of £60 to Sight for Wight.

CHAIRMAN. Chairman advised that a letter of complaint has been received from the owners of a property in Southdown regarding the Parish Meeting and minutes of an unlawful vehicle crossing at their property. A reply has been sent advising that it is out of the Parish jurisdiction and now in the hands of Island Roads and IWC. They advised that they were upset at the Pc's challenging of the crossing and that they and made every effort to create the crossing legally from the IWC. WC Critchison is in contact with the owners and is trying to assist with the issue. Clerk advised that she had made contact with Island Roads who advised that Mr Thornton was dealing with the situation. As yet he has made no response to Clerks emails. The Christmas Tree will be supplied by anonymous donation this year. Councillors discussed planting a permanent tree for the future, which will require maintenance at some point but better for the environment. A call has been received regarding the Chale Milestones which are in need of maintenance. The one at the Church is no longer visible. Chairman advised that a notice on the Common Land is required advising people that's it is free to use for all and not Private Property is necessary. Andy will be playing the bugle at 1100am on the 11th November by the memorial. The ceremony and laying of the wreath on the 14th at 2pm. A zoom meeting with Bob Seely MP and John Cironne of Brighstone was held regarding the IWRR. From that, a letter regarding speeding along the Military Road was sent to him. Bob Seely confirmed that Police were now taking action.

Councillors agreed that its not just the Military Road but through Chale Village as a whole. The post box at Chale Green is still ongoing. An email from the manager confirmed that the delay is down to utilities.

RESOLVED; Chairman will take a look and clean if necessary. Clerk to create notice for Common Land

COUNCILLORS. Councillor McWilliam advised council that the Health and Well-being Forum met and some slides will be distributed amongst councillors. A very interesting talk from the Head of the Ambulance Service and the issues regarding ferry travel and patient transport. Councillor Stewart offered to attend the Code of Conduct training offered by IWALC. The cost was discussed and agreed (£25) by Councillors that it would be beneficial.

RESOLVED; Councillor McWilliam will circulate the slides for the H&WB meeting. Clerk to add Councillor Stewarts name to training.

WARD COUNCILLOR CRITCHISON. WC Critchison confirmed she will be attending the Remembrance Service on the 14th November. She is doing a lot on the Environment and Sustainability Forum and Chale's planting of trees and wild flowers is helpful to that. The Council is currently putting together a plan of how to help Parish Councils with this and what is currently already being done. A report on where the money of the PFI is being spent is also available. Several councillors have been off with Covid long-term and the Council need to advise Parish Councils about this so that they know why they are not being responded to.

RESOLVED; To send the PFI/money saving report to Clerk for circulation.

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QUESTIONS FROM MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC.

RESOLVED. No questions raised.

MEETING CONCLUDED AT 8.56PM

Chairman.....

13th December 2021