

Chale Parish Council

www.chale.org.uk



Minutes of the **Meeting of CHALE PARISH COUNCIL** held on Monday 11th October 2021 at WI Hall, Chale Street, Chale commencing at 7.01pm. 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

Public: 3

100/21 APOLOGIES

To receive and approve any apologies for absence

RESOLVED: None

101/21 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 a claim for Expenses for CRAB.

102/21 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

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

RESOLVED: Minutes were approved and duly signed.

103/21 PLANNING

B. 21/01468/FUL. Newmans Cottage, Newman Lane, Chale.PO38 2JG.

Proposal: Two proposed outbuildings (revised description – no add driveway). **GRANTED.**

104/21 FINANCE

5.1 To note bank reconciliation for September 2021.

RESOLVED. That reconciliation was noted.

5.2 Receipts and payments for October.

11/10/21	chq 1291	Ron Groves- CRAB	33.30
11/10/21	chq 1292	Island Roads – Dog Bin Emptying	139.92
11/10/21	chq 1293	IWC – Grounds Maint	900.00
11/10/21	chq 1294	WI – Hall Hire x 3	45.00
11/10/21	chq 1295	Community Action – payroll	573.97
11/10/20	chq 1296	Michala Bailey – Expenses	53.18
11/10/21	DD	SSE – Hut Electricity	69.24
		Total	1814.61

RESOLVED: Payments agreed.

105/21 CHALE EMERGENCY PLAN

Mr Tony Bryant presented some issues regarding the update of the Emergency Plan. He advised Councillors that he was meeting with the Emergency officer at IWC on the 12th October to ensure that up to date information was accurate and that the Chale EP reflected those. My Bryant suggested that there should be two Emergency response points (one at each end of the village) and it was suggested that The Wight Mouse be approached as one. In addition, further consideration must be given to business continuity, community resources i.e. Medical assistance and 4x4 drivers. A volunteer for the medical

assistance is required as is an additional 4x4 driver. Emergency Whatsapp group to be set up. Consideration also needs to be given for a meeting area with its own power.

RESOLVED: Councillors Gosling and Council Member Stewart volunteered as 4x4 drivers. Mr Bryant will forward copy of completed plan to Clerk over next couple of weeks for Councillors approval. Chairman to make contact with Wight Mouse Pub to discuss using their car park and premises as emergency RV point. Local Farmer Mr Colin Colson to be approached to ascertain if he may be willing to assist with plan. Consideration to approach the church and potentially the new SWAY building.

106/21

PROPOSED QUIET ROADS NETWORK

Clerk advised that an email was received from Brighstone Parish Council asking for support for a quiet roads network (similar to that at Adgestone) which would include Southdown and Chale Road. The proposed no entry into certain roads off the Military Road may need further consideration. Councillors agreed to support this proposal but wanted to know the cost implications to the parish.

RESOLVED: Clerk to contact Brighstone advise that CPC support the idea but would like costings and exact location of signage within Chale Parish.

107/21

VIEWPOINT CAR PARK

Chairman updated Council with current works at the Viewpoint carpark but pointed out that the road surface was full of potholes and a potential hazard to those using it. Chairman had received a complaint regarding a ditch that had been dug during the works. Previous requests for re-surfacing have failed. The IWC own the car park. Parish Member Parker also highlighted the issue of lack of signage for car park which causes visitors to park on the verge further up the road.

RESOLVED: Ward Councillor Critchison to ask IWC to re-surface car park.

108/21

SOUTHDOWN CORNER

Clerk updated Council as to the current situation with the unauthorised vehicle crossing in Southdown. Island Roads have not received a formal application from the home owners but the owners are corresponding with the Street works Manager Mr Thornton. No further info forthcoming. Councillors consider the location of the UVC as dangerous. Complaints from local residents have been received.

RESOLVED: Clerk to make contact with Mr Thornton to clarify situation.

109/21

TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM;

CLERK. The Clerk report was circulated prior to the meeting. One item for further discussion was the meeting held with the Parks Officer from IWC regarding the Wild Flower planting. Officer advised of pitfalls in relation to dog fouling, litter and general untidy appearance when the flowers come to an end and that other parishes are complaining of children suffering from ticks by running through the flowers. The IWC do not have the equipment to mow, rake and collect the debris and this will involve extra cost to the Parish by a third party. Council will have to decide what type of flowers to plant. Natural generally look like weeds and long grass but will appear year on year...cornflowers, poppies etc will require seed sowing every year and will cost a lot of money. The Officer also advised that the best area for planting would be on the opposite side of the road to the green along with some native trees which the council have funding for. In addition, the Officer also agreed to ask the Tree Officer to take a look at the tree near the telephone box on the Common Land. It was suggested that a risk assessment be completed before the Parish go ahead. Maybe even make contact with other Parishes to see what the pitfalls or successes are. It was also highlighted that trees planted by the PC many years ago now need looking at so planting of new trees will have a future financial impact.

RESOLVED. Clerk to make contact with Parks Officer regarding maintenance of new trees and who will be responsible in the future. Also make contact with other Parishes and invite tree officer to next meeting.

CHAIRMAN.

Chairman confirmed that preparations for the winter helpline are underway. There is still available food/non-perishable stock to help when needed. Vulnerable families have been identified and will continue to be helped. There are still funds in the CRAB pot available. Anyone suffering now can still come to the Parish Council for help although there is still some people reluctant to ask. WC Critchison suggested that the Citizens Advice Bureau link be placed on the PC website that will help. Concerns that residents are having to walk to Niton to top up their electricity key.

A meeting with Bob Seely will be held this coming Wednesday and will be reported on at the next Parish Meeting in November.

Brighstone Parish Council have asked Chairman to attend their meeting on the same evening.

RESOLVED. WC Critchison will send CA link to Clerk for inclusion on the website.

COUNCILLORS.

Councillor Gosling advised that the IWRR have announced that they have been granted their race permit from the ACU for the Chale, Brighstone, Shorwell route.

RESOLVED. None

WARD COUNCILLOR CRITCHISON.

Ward Councillor Critchison is now holding community meetings at Shorwell pub on the 1st Friday of each month 1030-1200, and Niton at the exchange on 1st Wednesday of the month 1030-1200. Plans are being made for Chale possibly jointly with Police. The Local Transport Plan 4 Stakeholder workshop presentation was attended. This plan will be taking shape over the next year with public consultation in summer 2022. This is led by Hampshire services in collaboration with IWC staff. It covers climate, technology, transport needs. Transport system, accessibility, rural services. Bus Service Improvement Plan may include improvements for Route 6. There is an aim to increase rural links. WC Critchison will keep in touch with the Bus Users Group. Quiet lanes network proposal working with Brighstone and Chale. Need to consult with all Parish Councils and resident's affected.

Speed watch programme to be set up. Once more details are known, volunteers will be required from each village to become the speed watch team for each area.

Bin at Chale Place bus stop to have gull flaps fitted to help deter animals from getting in. Bin emptying will now go back to winter schedule so will be emptied less.

RESOLVED: None.

110/21 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC.

RESOLVED. No questions raised.

MEETING CONCLUDED AT 8.10PM

Chairman.....

8th November 2021