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Minutes of the **MEETING of CHALE PARISH COUNCIL** held on **Mon 12<sup>th</sup> December 2022**, commencing at 7.00pm. The Meeting was recorded for the purposes of accuracy.

**Present**

**Councillors:** Cllrs: Dave Stewart, Pete Gosling, Dian McWilliam, Liz Groves, Chris Parker, Dr Jeremy Lockwood  
**IW Councillor:** Not Present  
**Clerk:** Mrs Michala Bailey  
**Public:** 2

**117/22 APOLOGIES**

To receive and approve any apologies for absence.

**RESOLVED: Ward Councillor Claire Critchison sent apologies.**

**118/22 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**

**119/22 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

To approve the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> November 2022.

**RESOLVED: No outstanding matters. Minutes approved**

**120/22 PLANNING**

To review any planning applications and note any IWC decisions:

A: **22/01891/FUL**. Location: Sheep Lane Farm, Blythe Shute, Chale

Proposal: Continued use of former Old Milking Parlour as residential dwelling

B: **22/01661/HOU** Location: Windrush Chale Green Chale Ventnor Isle Of Wight PO38 2JN

Decision: Granted.

**RESOLVED: No Objections raised to application A.**

**121/22 FINANCIAL MATTERS**

5.1 To note the bank reconciliation for Nov 2022

**RESOLVED: Bank reconciliation noted.**

5.2 To ratify receipts and authorise payments for Dec 2022

**RESOLVED: The following payments were noted and authorised:**

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| Chq 1366     | SSE – The hut electricity bill             | £95.01          |
| 1367         | WI Chale - Hall Hire (Nov)                 | £15.00          |
| 1368         | Community Action - Payroll                 | £583.93         |
| 1369         | SLCC – Clerk yearly membership             | £139.00         |
| 1370         | Councillor Gosling – purchase of xmas tree | £255.00         |
| 1371         | M Bailey – Clerk Expenses                  | £70.32          |
| 1372         | R Peyton – C4C food bank purchase          | £380.65         |
| 1373         | R. Groves – C4C food bank purchase         | £638.02         |
| 1374         | Pop Up Soup Kitchen – ingredient supplies  | £500.00         |
| <b>Total</b> |  | <b>£2676.93</b> |

## **122/22 POLICY UPDATES**

- 6.1 Health & Safety
- 6.2 Code of Conduct
- 6.3 Equality
- 6.4 Complaints
- 6.5 Publication Scheme
- 6.6 Remote Access

**RESOLVED; All policies noted and agreed for 1 year.**

## **123/22 SOUP KITCHEN**

Clerk advised that a meeting was held with Ward Councillor Critchison, Ron Groves and Racheal Peyton from the Chale Food Bank, was along with Mr Trevor Blaney from Ventnor Soup Kitchen. Trevor advised that a need for the soup kitchen to be available in Chale was evident. He proposed to open it one day per week starting on the 10<sup>th</sup> January. It will be located on the common land (car park) in front of the old shop in Chale Green. It will be free of charge but should users wish to make a donation; it will be welcomed. In addition, the ingredients for the soup served will be boxed up and available to anyone wishing to make it themselves at home. This will also be free of charge. At present ingredients are supplied as end of day produce from local supermarkets, however, it was felt that fresher ingredients would be better. Funds from the C4C grant awarded to Chale Parish Council will be used to provide this.

**RESOLVED; Councillors agreed to £500 being used for the soup kitchen. Mr Blaney to be invited to the February meeting to update councillors on the success of the soup kitchen.**

## **124/22 COMMON LAND – OLD CHALE GREEN STORES**

The issue other the loss of parking spaces due to the access for the new residents at the old shop is ongoing. A meeting with planning enforcement to discuss this and come up with a solution is being held on the 13<sup>th</sup> Dec.

**RESOLVED: Chairman and Clerk to report back at next meeting.**

## **125/22 FORTHCOMING EVENTS**

Carols on the Green update.

**RESOLVED: Date now changed to Friday 16<sup>th</sup> due to band commitments. Sven will be leading the service and will bring hymn books. Mince Pies and mulled wine (soft drinks for children) will be served from the Hut. Date is on facebook, website and a sign will be put up next to the tree.**

## **126/22 S137 FUNDING REQUESTS**

**RESOLVED. None received.**

## **127/22 TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM:**

**The Clerk.** The 2016 agreement between IWC and CPC regarding the maintenance of the Green Is still outstanding but contact from Mr Mathews and Mr Thorne has been received regarding this. Thank you, letters have been, sent to the WightMouse, Chale Recreation Ltd and the Church for their amazing donations to the defibrillator fund. Letter of support for the SWAY build has been sent to the planning inspectorate. Contact has been made wit WightFibre to get an up to date schedule of works for the village. They are now saying that completion is expected by Oct 2023. Numerous letters of complaint regarding the speed throughout the village have been received and forwarded to IWC and Island Roads.

**RESOLVED. NONE**

**Parish Councillors.** Council Member Dr Lockwood commented on the large ugly WightFibre Cabinets and would like to know if they can be smaller and green in colour?

Council Member Parker is still working on a Parish Policy for S137 funding. Councillor Groves mentioned the bright light coming from the WightMouse car park.

**RESOLVED: Clerk to contact WightFibre and ask about size and colour of cabinets. Clerk to make contact with the WightMouse and discuss lighting.**

**Chairman – Dave Stewart.** Chairman firstly wanted to express his sincere thanks to staff and customers of the WightMouse for holding a quiz and raffle event in aid of the defibrillators. Thanks also to Chale Recreation Ground Ltd and Chale Church who also generously donated to the fund. The Chairman also wished to thank Mr Ron Groves and Racheal Peyton for their fantastic work delivering food parcels and supporting vulnerable families in the parish. Further to that he then discussed a draft copy of a short village survey on the concerns and needs of residents. Councillors agreed the content. It was also agreed that an extra meeting in January may be beneficial to discuss this further with other service providers and members of public.

**RESOLVED: Chairman to look at ways of getting the survey out to residents and ways for them to respond as there is no central building for the surveys to be left. Clerk to arrange an extra meeting on or near 16<sup>th</sup> January for cost-of-living crisis meeting.**

**Ward Councillor –** Report was forwarded to Clerk prior to the meeting and circulated to all Councillors.

**128/22 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

Steve Clark from Chale Bay Farm advised that the mobile curry van has used his car park. It may be visiting every other Friday from the New Year.

**RESOLVED: NONE.**

The meeting concluded at 8.35pm