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Minutes of the **MEETING of CHALE PARISH COUNCIL** held on **Mon 8th Sept 2022**, commencing at 7pm.
The Meeting was recorded for the purposes of accuracy.

Present

Councillors: Cllrs: Dave Stewart, Pete Gosling, Dian McWilliam, Chris Parker, Dr Jeremy Lockwood
IW Councillor: Claire Critchison
Clerk: Mrs Michala Bailey
Public: 0

The meeting was opened with a 1-minute silence in remembrance of HM Queen Elizabeth II. Chale Parish Council sends their condolences to the Royal Family.

83/22 APOLOGIES

To receive and approve any apologies for absence.

RESOLVED: Councillor Liz Groves not present and apologies sent.

84/22 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

85/22 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

To approve the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 11th July 2022 and the EGM held on the 1st August 2022

RESOLVED: Both sets of minutes Approved.

86/22 PLANNING

To review any planning applications and note any IWC decisions:

A: **RESOLVED: No applications received to consider.**

B: **21/02526/CLEUD** Sheep Lane Farm Blythe Shute Chale Ventnor Isle of Wight PO38 2HJ
Lawful Development Certificate for continued use of self-contained residential unit known as the Old Milking Parlour. Case Officer: Stacey Dinning Decision: REFUSED.

22/01121/FUL Land Rear Of Maricourt Town Lane Chale Ventnor Isle Of Wight PO38 2JS
Location: Proposed residential development of 7 dwellings with parking; convenience store with Parking. Case Officer: Richard Holmes Decision: REFUSED

RESOLVED: Both noted.

87/22 FINANCIAL MATTERS

5.1 To note the bank reconciliation for Aug & Sept 2022

RESOLVED: Bank reconciliation for both months noted.

5.2 To ratify receipts and authorise payments for Aug 2022

RESOLVED: The following payments were noted and authorised:

Chq 1348	WI Chale - Hall Hire (July)	£15.00
1349	Community Action - Payroll	£583.93
1350	M Bailey – Clerk expenses	£125.19
Total		£ 727.12

5.3 To note receipts and authorise payments for Sept 2022

RESOLVED: The following payments were noted and authorised.

Chq 1351	WI Chale – Hall Hire (Aug 22)	£15.00
1352	Community Action – Payroll	£583.93
1353	SSE – Hut Electricity Bill	£87.34
1354	M Bailey – Clerk expenses	£46.80
Total		£733.07

5.4 To discuss renewal of Open Spaces membership.

Clerk advised Councillors that the yearly Open Spaces membership is due.

RESOLVED: Councillors agreed to re-new membership.

88/22 COUNCIL TAX REDUCTION SCHEME CONSULTATION

To review the IWC document, discuss its potential effect on Council Tax precept and complete consultation questionnaire. Councillors agreed that there was some conflicting information regarding the consultation in relation to facts and figures and that it was confusing why there was no option for no change to the current format. The main question appeared to be whether residents on benefits should be given more help with their council tax but appeared to make no reference for those on pensions.

RESOLVED: Clerk to contact Wendy Perrera asking for further clarification/meeting with CPC to enable them to answer the consultation. Maybe a closed meeting with IWC and local PC's to go through this in finer detail. Also, to ask for facts and figures (breakdown) of current households who are entitled to the current benefit system. The demographics of each Parish differ immensely and the options put forward will have a different effect.

89/22 POP-UP SHOP UPDATE

Racheal, who runs the pop-up shop has applied for planning permission and in doing so Island Roads have highlighted that the pop-up shop should not be on the footpath. Obviously at the time of Covid this was a necessity and any formal licences were not considered. No complaints have been received by residents or other council depts.

RESOLVED: Councillors have noted concerns.

90/22 FORTHCOMING EVENTS

To note/discuss any forthcoming events within the Parish.

IOW Walking Festival 8-16 October 2022.

RESOLVED: Councillor Gosling offered his time to guide a local walk and will make contact with the festival organisers. Ward Councillor Critchison will be doing the walk from Niton up to the Hoy Monument.

Tour of Britain 11th Sept 2022. Chairman Stewart had cause to contact IWC regarding issue with stones on the verge outside St Andrews church. Mr Minns from IWC asked whether there were any areas for parking in the village. It was suggested the recreation field that the car boot sale is usually held upon. Blackgang old road (as long as there will be no tickets due to the yellow lines), Blackgang viewpoint, Car park behind Scout Hut.

91/22 COMMON LAND

To discuss update from IWC. Email received and discussed at length. IWC not committing to be the owner/custodian of the land but passing to Chale Parish Council. Councillors discussed who is responsible for the maintenance of the land? As this was not mentioned in the response. Councillors were advised that the Parish currently pay £931.60 for grass cutting and £331.92 for emptying of bins. Councillor Gosling advised that the grass has not been cut this year due to the dry weather so there should be a reduction in cost this year. Chairman also asked whether there was any formal contract with SWAY over the building of the new HUB on the common land. The land is very small scrub land and full of trees. Clerk confirmed that SWAY are applying for S32 permission.

RESOLVED: Clerk to write back to IWC asking one question. 1) Do they accept they are responsible for the maintenance of the common land and emptying of bins on the Common land.

92/22 S137 FUNDING REQUESTS

Clerk advised that a funding request from the Island Games Association had been received.

RESOLVED. That in pursuance of the powers conferred by S137 of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) and being of the opinion that the expenditure satisfies the requirements of that section, the Council approved expenditure of £100.00 in respect of Isle of Wight Island Games Association.

93/22 TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM:

The Clerk- Car park behind the scout hut is not being sold. The works on the common land at the old shop is not the responsibility of Southern water. It is private contractors and Island Roads have issued no licenses for this work. Dares are doing the work on behalf of Vernon Tyerman and Councillor Gosling has attended the site to ensure the car park surface is put back to its original surface. The works will have to go across the road and onto the green. The works have not impacted upon the Fish and Chip van attendance. Sway has a small amount of funds to raise due to increase in building costs. Southern housing has given agreement to the purchase of the land. SWAY are hoping to break ground in spring. Attempts to find out the diary of works from WightFibre have proved negative. According to Facebook there will be a road closure in Chale Street in January-February although the map of works is from Town Lane. The exterior WI notice board has insufficient space for all the Parish Council notices. Contact with Lynda at the WI has been made and she is willing to suggest to the next WI meeting that we have space on an internal board. Councillors agreed that would be a good option but to refer people to the website for further council info.

RESOLVED: Clerk to contact WI and agree the internal use.

Parish Councillors. Council Member Parker wanted asked for confirmation of the date for collection of the Defib outside the Wight Mouse due to a recent recall. Clerk confirmed it is being collected on the 26th Sept and should only be out of service for 3 days. The second Defib outside Stubbings has been arranged for the 3rd Oct. Maps for the electric charge points and a calculation for the homes without off road parking has been completed.

Council Member Dr Lockwood has tried to make contact with the local health visitors to further progress our message of support to those struggling for food etc. This has proved fruitless.

RESOLVED: Councillors would like spare pads and kits purchased for defibs.

Chairman – Dave Stewart. Two actions from the last meeting have been actioned. Contact has made with Chale Churchyard Committee and will be attending their next meeting. They have asked when they should make application for S137 funding. Contact made with the organiser of the Tour of Britain as per above. Contact made with the organiser of Chale Show and the recent event has been successful and they are already planning for 2023.

RESOLVED: Clerk to make contact with Chale Churchyard secretary and ask them to come along to the next Parish meeting to speak about their request for funding/donation.

Ward Councillor – Claire Critchison. Claire confirmed that she had asked for planning application at Town Lane to be considered by planning committee. Claire attended the Chale Show. Residents have made contact regarding concerned over the road closures being advertised all day. These are rolling closures only. As soon as the cyclists are through the road will be re-opened. Issues surrounding the cost of living and residents requiring support has been discussed with parish councils and other community groups. This is not just to ensure people get hot food but to help and make sure people meet others. Claire asked whether Chale PC would consider helping with something like this. This does not have to be free but a nominal charge could be charged. Niton have done this before and charge £3.50 for a 2/3 course hot meal. Councillors discussed and agree that this could be considered. Claire has written to IWC asking for a NO Overnight Parking sign for the car park behind the Scout Hut. Claire confirmed that the IWC now enter a 10-day period of mourning for HM Queen Elizabeth.

RESOLVED: Clerk to make contact with WI and discuss extending their coffee morning to a soup and roll luncheon or similar. Dr Lockwood has offered to help with this.

**94/22 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC
RESOLVED: None**

The meeting concluded at 9.00pm