

FAWLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of Fawley Parish Council held on Wednesday 19 August 2009 at 7pm in the Jubilee Hall, Fawley.

Present: Cllr L Dunsdon (In the Chair), Cllr Mrs M Alderman, Cllr A Glass, Cllr B Hall, Cllr E Holtham, Cllr A McDowall, Cllr Mrs B Maynard, Cllr Mrs S Read, Cllr D Walker, Cllr R Wappet.

In attendance:

Mrs S Markides Clerical Officer.

Also Present: Youth Worker Debbie Elliott (until item 37), PC A Woodhead and Police Community Support Officer B Hayes (for item 34), one member of the public.

- 30. Apologies:** Cllr M Fidler, Cllr Mrs K Lord, Cllr G Smith, District Cllr G Parkes and County Cllr Mrs MA McEvoy.
- 31. Declarations of interest:** Cllr Wappet declared a non-prejudicial interest in Item 35 Planning, as he is a member of the New Forest Planning Committee. He stated that he would consider the applications on the evidence in front of him at this time. Cllr Dunsdon declared a personal and prejudicial interest in item 48 as it related to his employer. He stated that he would leave the meeting whilst this was discussed.
- 32. Minutes:**
- RESOLVED:** That the minutes of the meeting held on 24 June 2009 be signed as a correct record.
- 33. Chairman's Announcements:** The Chairman reported that he had attended the New Forest Remembers D Day Memorial Service at Lepe Beach and laid a wreath on behalf of the Council. He had also attended an assembly at Blackfield School, which was to be reported on later in the meeting.
- 34. Update Police Report:** PC Woodhead reported that the parish was fairly quiet at the moment. There had been no dwelling burglaries at all during the last few weeks but vehicle crime was occurring in Southbourne Avenue and the surrounding area. Patrols in the area were taking place.
Cowes Night had gone well at Calshot Beach recently although there had been a huge amount of litter to be cleared following the event.
Gorse fires were being set in rural areas and the police were increasing patrols and working with the fire service to apprehend the culprits.
Some problems were still being experienced at the QEII Recreation Ground and parents of the children concerned had been called to collect them from the Police Station.
The Junior PCSO scheme had commenced and new Neighbourhood Watch Schemes were being set up, information available if required.
Cllr Wappet thanked the officers for their work within the parish and the good results being seen.
- 35. Planning:**
- a) Parish List:**
09/94363
2 Bowland Way, Langley, Fawley, SO45 1ZR
Two-storey rear extension
(No 3) We recommend permission.

09/94347

24 Hayes Mead, Holbury, Fawley, SO45 2JZ
Use as domestic curtilage; 1.8 metre high boundary fence
(No 3) We recommend permission.

09/94396

21 The Warren, Holbury, Fawley, SO45 2QB
Single-storey side extension
(No 3) We recommend permission.

09/94420

33 Watton Road, Hobury, Fawley, SO45 2LW
Rear conservatory
(No 3) We recommend permission.

09/94285

Gateways, Plot 2 Blackfield Road, Blackfield, Fawley, SO45 1WD
House
(No 5) We are happy to accept the decision reached by the District Council's Officers under their delegated powers.

b) National Park:

09/94319

Beach Hut 74, Jack Maynard Avenue, Calshot, Southampton, SO45 1BS
Replacement Beach hut
(No 3) We recommend permission.

c) Tree Works

09/0199

Yew Tree Cottage, New Road, Hythe, SO45 3NL

T1 & T2 London Plane-Crown lift

The Parish Council strongly objects for the following reasons:

- 1) The applicant, as with the last application, does not identify the owner of the trees.
- 2) There is no excessive overhanging or shading of the referred to public footpath which is infact Bridleway No 505. There is only one small branch from one tree that may be infringing on the recommended minimum 3 metres clearance for bridleways.
- 3) Question 9 requires a full and clear specification of the works to be carried out; this has not been provided.
- 4) Why have questions 10 & 11 been erased suggesting the applicant, surely making it null and void, has not signed it?

Further to this why did it take so long to place the application on the New Forest District Council website? The letter to the Parish Council was dated 6 August 2009 but on Sunday 16 August it could not be accessed online. And why once again have the owners of the trees not been informed of the application?

36. An update report from the Youth Worker (see attached Appendix A).

RESOLVED: That the Youth Worker attend a food and safety course at a cost of £40.00 from budget code 9992 Youth Worker Expenditure.

The request to change current job title from Youth Worker to Youth and Community Worker to be discussed at the next Policy, Resources and Personnel Committee meeting to be held on 30 September 2009.

37. County Councillor's report: Unable to attend.

38. **Reports from District Councillor:** Cllr Wappet reported that it was a fairly quiet time at the moment although planning meetings were continuing during the summer holidays. A working party, of which he would be chairman, had been set up to conduct a review of public conveniences in the district. He would hopefully be able to bring the concerns regarding the signage at Calshot Beach to the next meeting of the Environmental Review Panel.
39. **A report from Cllr Fidler on the assembly recently held at Blackfield School:** As he was unable to attend the report from Cllr Fidler was read to the meeting and the ideas of the children presented to councillors at the assembly were discussed. The Chairman of the Council had awarded the teams of children supplying the best ideas with certificates.
40. **Reports from Representatives and Nominees on Local Bodies:**
- a) New Forest Consultative Panel: Cllr E Holtham (see attached Appendix B)
 - b) New Forest Sports Council: Cllr D Walker. No meeting.
 - c) Waterside Citizens Advice Bureau: Cllr A McDowall reported that the planned changes were on going with the appointment of a new managing director expected by September. It was hoped that the offices at Hythe, Totton, Lymington and Ringwood would remain open.
 - d) New Forest Environmental Liaison Committee: Cllr Mrs S Read reported on a very interesting and informative visit to Pyros.
 - e) Transport Committee: Cllr M Fidler, not present.
 - f) Waterside Youth Steering Committee: Cllr Mrs K Lord, not present.
 - g) Calshot Project: Cllr G Smith, not present.
 - h) Waterside Heritage: Cllr E Holtham (see attached Appendix B).
 - i) Police Working Party: Cllrs Mrs S Courtney, M Fidler, A Glass and A McDowall. No meeting had been held.
 - j) New Forest Association Local Councils: Cllrs A Glass & Mrs B Maynard. To be discussed under item 44a iii.
 - k) Age Concern: Cllr R Lewis was not present but it was noted that the AGM would take place on Wednesday 16 September.
 - l) Arson Forum: Cllr E Holtham (see attached Appendix B).
41. **Minutes of Committees:**
- RESOLVED:** That the minutes of the Amenities Committee 8 July 2009 be signed as a correct record.
- RESOLVED:** That the minutes of the Public Services Committee 22 July 2009 be signed as a correct record.
- RESOLVED:** That the minutes of the Policy, Resources & Personnel Committee 5 August 2009 be signed as a correct record.
42. **Update report regarding energy costs of the QEII Pavilion:** The Centre Manager had provided a report informing members that following a meeting between the architect, contractor and electrical contractor it had been agreed that control mechanisms for the air handling unit be placed on motion sensors so that the system only worked when the building was occupied. Concern was raised that the building would not be warm enough on arrival for users and that the building was not perhaps as energy efficient as it could be. It was noted that the contractor was aware of the fault and the Centre Manager would be monitoring the situation. Cllr Hall was thanked for his assistance in investigating the matter.

RESOLVED: To further investigate the timing settings of the system with the possibility that it could be operated remotely from Gang Warily. To not release

retention monies in October unless we are happy with the outcome of the problem with the energy supply to the QEII building.

43. Cash pay membership:

RESOLVED: Payments for cash pay memberships to remain unchanged, this to be reviewed in 6 months time.

44. Correspondence:

a)

i. Port of Southampton Master Plan 2009-2030 (Summary attached. Full consultation document available from the office, on line at www.southamptonvts.co.uk or at the local library).

RESOLVED: Cllr Glass to comment on behalf of the Parish Council, these comments to be viewed by the Chairman prior to submission. Consultation period ends 13 November 2009.

ii. Health and Wellbeing Partnership Strategy Consultation. Response by 18 September 2009. Noted. Members to forward personal responses if they wished to do so.

iii. New Forest Association Local Councils: Notice of Special General Meeting 17 September 2009 and the procedure in electing representatives of the Executive Committee. Opinion sought by Ringwood TC.

RESOLVED: The Chairman to respond to Ringwood Town Council and the Chairman of NFALC raising concerns that the Association is not fulfilling expectations or objectives having been sidelined by constitutional matters. The Parish would like to suggest that the population figures in each area group should be the defining factor in the number of representatives agreed for that group.

iv. New Forest National Park Authority: Housing Land. Availability Assessment Update. Suggestions by 11 September 2009. Noted.

v. HALC: Invitation to Councillors to attend training session on the Power of Well-Being. Wednesday 23 September 2009 7.30 pm Brockenhurst. Venue and costs to be confirmed. Noted.

vi. HALC: Invitation to attend 62nd Annual General Meeting Sat 10 October 2009 11 am St Swithuns School, Winchester. Noted.

vii. NALC: Invitation to nominate for Local Council Awards 2009. Noted.

b) For information:

i. BJIC; Public Liability Claim O2CCSO113293 has now been settled. Noted.

ii. FPC: The Parish Council Office will be unmanned Friday 4 September 2009 due to staff shortages. The Finance Officer to attend AGM Hampshire Pension Trust 30 September 2009. Noted.

iii. Speed Indicator Device Results Hampton Lane, Blackfield, 31 Jul and 7 Aug 2009. To request information on what action is being taken following the results seen.

iv. Manor Day Infant School: Letter of thanks for recently donated raffle prize. Noted.

c) Available from the office upon request: Action News Update Aug 09, Local Councils Update Aug 09, HALC Local Council News Summer 09, Solent News Summer 09, Port of Southampton Master Plan 2009-2030: Consultation Draft.

Exclusion of public and press.

RESOLVED: That, considering the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, the public, including the press, be excluded from the remainder of the meeting.

45. Staffing Matters:

RESOLVED: To employ a consultant and minute taker from South East Employers to assist in the Grievance Appeal Panel hearing, costs in the region of £2000.00

46. Clarification of Toil Hours System:

RESOLVED: To accept the Toil Hour System as presented (see attached Appendix C) with the following addition:
Any Toil worked or time off requested should be submitted on a form and countersigned by a line manager, the forms to be retained for 12 months.

47. Update on Newlands Land Lease: Members were advised that the interested party had been informed that the annual rental costs would be approximately £7000. A copy of our standard lease had been provided for their consideration.

Councillor Dunsdon left the meeting.

48. Update of Lease of Land at Gang Warily: The rental of a third of the compound to a local firm had been agreed at £3000.00 pa and a draft contract had been provided. The company had at their own expense submitted a planning application and it was hoped that they could be on site within 12 weeks.

Councillor Dunsdon returned to the meeting.

49. Advice of costs involved in setting up a Youth Trust:

RESOLVED: To use Hedley Solicitors to assist in the setting up of a Youth Trust with a budget of £450.00 plus VAT.

50. Date of next meeting: 14 October 2009.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.12 pm.

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Chairman