

# GODSHILL PARISH COUNCIL

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**A MEETING OF GODSHILL PARISH COUNCIL WAS HELD AT GODSHILL METHODIST HALL AT 7.30 PM ON MONDAY 1ST APRIL 2019.**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Councillors Bacon, Banks, Button, Child, Nigh and Thrower.

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:** G Hughes (Clerk). IW Councillor Downer and three members of the public.

**7.30pm to 8.00pm time allocated for residents of Godshill Parish to speak to the Council on Parish Council matters.**

## MINUTES

### 50/19 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

None

### 51/19 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

None.

### 52/19 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 4<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2019.

On the proposition of Miss Nigh, seconded by Mrs Buttton it was -

**RESOLVED:** That the minutes of the meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> March 2019 be approved.

### 53/19 MATTERS ARISING

IW Councillor Downer had been contacted by a local resident who was concerned regarding a large tree at the Central Mead border with her property in Moorview. The Chairman and Clerk had visited the residence and it was agreed that without being cutback and pruned the tree was a potential cause of damage to the property.

**RESOLVED:** To obtain three quotations for the necessary work.

There were no other matters that were not contained elsewhere on the Agenda.

### 54/19 FINANCE – ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

On the proposition of Mrs Button, seconded by Miss Nigh, the following cheque payments were approved –

CHEQUE NO	PAYEE	AMOUNT
		£
0001399	HMRC – TAX	107.20
0001400	INFORMATION COMMISSIONER	40.00
0001401	IWC – CEMETERY RATES	791.20
0001402	G HUGHES – EXPENSES	37.65
0001403	D MCGEOCH _ TREE CUTTING	950.00
0001404	E READ - GRASSCUTTING	36.00
0001405	M HAYLES	600.00
0001406	Y NIGH – EXPENSES	29.50

### **55/19 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The following application was considered –  
TCP/21489/D:Mayfield, 5 Newport Road, Godshill. Householder Application –  
Alterations to and formation of new vehicular access to include new boundary wall.

**RESOLVED:** To make no objection to the application.

### **56/19 PLANNING DECISIONS**

The following planning decision had been circulated –  
CP/12131/C:Land off, Church Hill, Godshill.  
Proposed detached residential dwelling with parking. Approved.

**RESOLVED:** That the decision be noted.

### **57/19 PUBLIC CONVENIENCES**

At the March meeting it had been agreed to ask Danflo for a contract document that detailed the financial arrangement that had been offered verbally, that is that the quoted sum for three modular units of £72,500 could be spread interest free over a ten year period. Mr Gilbey of Shanklin Town Council had only today provided a contact point at Danflo, the Clerk had subsequently made contact and the request had now been made.

The Clerk had circulated a quotation from a local building contractor regarding the cost of a traditional refurbishment. This written quotation was significantly higher than that which had been suggested at a site meeting with the Chairman and Clerk. It was agreed to seek two further quotations for the work and to arrange a site meeting with Danflo to consider the potential use of spare capacity at the site.

### **58/19 GRASSCUTTING CONTRACT 2019-20**

The Clerk had asked for three quotations but had only received two.  
The quotes were examined and compared and after due consideration it was –

**RESOLVED:** To award the grass cutting contract to Brighstone Landscaping for the year commencing 1<sup>st</sup> April 2019.

### **59/19 CENTRAL MEAD**

Miss Nigh had purchased keys for the gate padlock and for two doors at the Pavillion. These were distributed and the Clerk would update the keyholder list.  
The Clerk reported that previously agreed treeworks had been completed and Miss Nigh gave a brief update on preparations for the Summer Fete.

**RESOLVED:** That the reports be noted.

### **60/19 FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION REQUEST – ARMED FORCES DAY**

The Clerk reported on the nature of the event which was being organised by the Royal British Legion. The event was a family day, to include stalls, displays, entertainment etc. After discussion it was –

**RESOLVED:** To make a donation of £50.

### **61/19 FENCING WORKS AT THE MEMORIAL GARDEN**

A letter had been received from the owners of the property adjoining the Memorial Garden. As the letter was Private & Confidential it was agreed to defer consideration until the end of the meeting after the Exclusion of press and public.

**62/19 REFURBISHMENT OF PUBLIC BENCHES**

The Chairman and Mrs Button updated on the condition of the benches in the parish. The Clerk would contact the Sea Cadets who could undertake cleaning of the seats at the Memorial Garden.

**63/19 REPORT OF IW COUNCILLOR**

Councillor Downer advised on the outcome of the Boundary Commission Report, which in the future provided for a IW Council ward which was inclusive of Wroxall, Ventnor and Bonchurch. Godshill would be amalgamated with a number of small rural Parishes. He also reported on future resurfacing at Beacon Alley and the completion of drainage works at Lessland Lane.

**64/19 QUESTIONS FROM CURRENT MEETING**

Mrs Button advised that the Medical Centre had been given an excellent report.

**65/19 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The Annual General Meeting would take place on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2019 at 7.30pm in Godshill Methodist Hall. The meeting would be preceded by the Annual Parish Meeting commencing at 7.00pm.

**The meeting concluded at 8.57pm.**

**66/19 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

In view of the confidential nature of the business to be discussed it is advisable in the public interest that the public and press be excluded for the following item and they are instructed to withdraw - in accordance with Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act.

**67/19 FENCING AT THE MEMORIAL GARDEN**

A letter from the owners of the adjoining property had been received requesting that the contribution to the provision of a replacement be set at 50% of the £1,200 cost that had been quoted. The letter explained that the owners were of the understanding and opinion that the original fence had been severely damaged over a period of years by fallen trees from the Memorial Ground and the build up of associated debris. The proposed new fence would provide a small channel between the fence and the embankment which would prevent a reoccurrence if the Parish Council were to keep the channel clear. The Clerk had provided a copy of the original lease of the War Memorial site and this detailed the responsibility of the leaseholder.

The actual boundary of the sites was not clearly determined in the document but the relevant trees were predominately on the War Memorial side of the existing fence which it was understood to have been had been in place for a number of years. After due consideration it was –

**RESOLVED:** To make a contribution of 50% of the quoted cost for a replacement fence.

**CHAIRMAN**

**13<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2019**

