

## NORTHWOOD PARISH COUNCIL

The Minutes of the Meeting of Northwood Parish Council, held in Northwood Primary School, Wyatts Lane, Northwood on Tuesday, 5<sup>th</sup> March 2024.

Present: Councillors: John Pullen (Chair), Peter Baker, Mark Coventry, Steph Flux, David Jaggar and Richard Martin. Cllr John Nicholson joined the meeting at 7.02pm.

Also in attendance:  
Katie Riley (Clerk and RFO)  
1 member of the public

### **207/23-24 To approve any apologies for absence**

Cllr Fuller had forwarded his apologies as he was attending a meeting of the IWC's Planning Committee. Cllr Nicholson had forwarded apologies that he would be late as he was attending a meeting of the Place Plan.

### **208/23-24 To receive any declarations of members' interests and written requests for dispensations on items forming the agenda**

No declarations of interests or written requests for dispensations were received.

### **209/23-24 To receive a report on any local safety neighbourhood issues which have occurred since the last meeting held of the Parish Council**

PCSO Luke Agrotis was not in attendance and hadn't provided a report.

### **210/23-24 To confirm and authorise the Chairman to sign the minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 6<sup>th</sup> February 2024**

#### **RESOLVED:**

THAT the minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 6<sup>th</sup> February 2024 be confirmed and the Chairman be authorised to sign them on behalf of the Parish Council.

**211/23-24 To receive any matters arising on the minutes, not requiring a resolution.** The Clerk had circulated a list of matters arising from the last meeting. Cllr Nicholson had been due to arrange for Island Roads to put up the extra 'no cold calling zone' signs in various locations which the Clerk would follow up after the meeting. Cllr Martin advised he could put up one of the signs on the lamppost outside his house on Newport Road. Island Roads had confirmed unfortunately that resurfacing Church Lane would not meet the criteria for grant funding through the IW Foundation. Cllr Flux had circulated a draft open letter she had written with Cllr Martin to Phil Jordan regarding Pallance Road and asked members for their comment. Once finalised this would be sent from the Chairman on behalf of the Parish Council and residents of Pallance Road.

Cllr Coventry took over the chair for the following planning items.

### **212/23-24 Town and Country Planning**

a. The following planning applications were considered:

- i. Application No: 24/00162/HOU  
Location: 53A Pallance Road, PO31 8LN  
Proposal: Proposed single storey extension to existing garage; new garage/shed and storage outbuilding at rear with solar panels on roof

**RESOLVED:**

THAT Northwood Parish Council object to this application on the following grounds:

- the proposed building to the rear of the property is too large and would be clearly visible to neighbouring properties
- it would be out of keeping in this location and have an adverse effect on the amenities of the area
- concerns about the potential for it to be used for commercial purposes

- ii. Application No: 23/00849/FUL  
Location: Land Adjacent to Harry Cheek Gardens and rear of 31 to 61 Pallance Road  
Proposal: Residential development comprising of 27 dwellings with access from Harry Cheek Gardens (Amended plans to include: revised public right of way link and site plan) (readvertised application)

**RESOLVED:**

THAT in addition to previous comments made Northwood Parish Council object to the footpath being moved and paved making it unsuitable for dog walking purposes.

- b. The following planning decision was noted:

Application No: 23/01913/FUL  
Location: 7 Wyatts Lane Northwood PO31 8QB  
Proposal: Timber cabin to provide self-contained living unit  
Decision: Granted

Cllr Nicholson joined the meeting at 7.02pm

- c. To consider any comment on the Draft Sustainable Drainage Systems (SDS) Supplementary Planning Document (SPD)

**RESOLVED:**

THAT Northwood Parish Council supports the purpose of the Draft SDS SPD providing it can be put into practice. NPC would want confirmation from planners that the existing SDS requirements are being fully complied with in all relevant large scale development applications and that when the SDS SPD comes into effect that the new rules would be applied retrospectively to all applications that have not yet been determined.

- d. To consider any comment on the Draft Health Contributions SPD

**RESOLVED:**

THAT Northwood Parish Council supports the Draft Health Contributions SPD and for members to submit additional individual comments should they wish.

Cllr Pullen took back the Chair for the remainder of the meeting.

**213/23-24 To approve the implementation of a secure email system as required by the Annual Governance and Accountability Return for 2024**

**RESOLVED:**

THAT the implementation of a secure email system as required by the Annual Governance and Accountability Return for 2024 be approved and for the Clerk to ask Wight Computers to set up council email accounts for each member of NPC.

**214/23-24 To consider the correspondence received regarding Pallance Road**

**RESOLVED:**

THAT a 30mph speed restriction be requested within a review of the Traffic Regulation Order for Pallance Road from Hillis Corner as a lead into a 20mph speed restriction from the bridge as a means to slow traffic down, and for this request to be included in the open letter due to be sent to Phil Jordan about Pallance Road.

**215/23-24 To consider sponsoring a new tree at Northwood House**

**RESOLVED:**

NOT to sponsor a new tree at Northwood House

**216/23-24 To consider how Northwood Parish Council can support and/or be involved in the Biosphere Festival announced for 29th and 30<sup>th</sup> June 2024**

**RESOLVED:**

TO join the mailing list but to take no further action at this stage regarding the Biosphere Festival announced for 29th and 30<sup>th</sup> June 2024.

**217/23-24 To receive an update from the Projects Working Group.** Cllr Martin reported that Gurnard Parish Council (GPC) had confirmed they would like to share in the D-Day Celebrations with NPC and that he would arrange a meeting with a representative from GPC to establish how they would like to get involved. It was envisaged that the location of the event could be alternated between parishes each year so that Gurnard could host an event next year. He reported that Warm Spaces continued to go well and that they had been successful in securing another £3,000 of funding for food vouchers. Cllr Flux reported that a representative from the Living Well Service was now attending on a monthly basis and that it would be good to encourage another service to attend in between these sessions. Lots of ideas were shared about the potential to develop the village hall but were on hold pending a decision by the Women's Institute nationally about the hall's future.

**RESOLVED:**

THAT the update from the Projects Working Group be duly noted.

**218/23-24 To review the Traffic Regulation Orders for Northwood.** Cllr Nicholson invited members to consider the Traffic Regulation Orders due for review in Northwood. Harry Cheek Gardens, Venner Avenue, Uplands Road, and Pallance Road had all been raised on previous occasions and Cllr Flux reported concerns raised about illegal parking on Wyatts Lane and roads surrounding the school at school drop off and pickup times which she had observed first hand and would report directly to Parking Services requesting additional enforcement. Widening the splay at the junction of Three Gates Road to enable two lanes of traffic had also been suggested previously and would be added to the list.

**RESOLVED:**

THAT Cllr Nicholson include these items for review under the Traffic Regulations Orders for Northwood.

**219/23-24 To receive the report from Cllr Nicholson, IWC Ward Member for Cowes South and Northwood.** Cllr Nicholson had circulated a written report and highlighted £5 million of funding available from January next year for projects in areas with a Place Plan.

**RESOLVED:**

THAT the report of Cllr Nicholson, the IWC Ward Member for Cowes South and Northwood, be noted.

**220/23-24 Finance**

- i. To approve the cheque and electronic payments for March 2024

**RESOLVED:**

THAT the following electronic payments for March 2024 totalling £1135.41 be approved:

- K Riley (March expenses) £44.09
- Community Action IW (March payroll) £883.82
- Northwood Village Hall (Warm Space hire February) £192.00
- CommuniCorp (Clerks & Councils Direct subscription) £15.50

- ii. To approve the copy bank statements and bank reconciliation for February 2024

**RESOLVED:**

THAT the copy bank statements and bank reconciliation for February 2024 be approved.

**221/23-24 To note the statistics for the website up to 27<sup>th</sup> February 2024.**

**RESOLVED:**

THAT the statistics for the website up to 27<sup>th</sup> February 2024 be noted.

**222/23-24 Correspondence – As per emailed to Councillors.**

**RESOLVED:**

THAT the correspondence as per emailed to Councillors be noted.

**223/23-24 Councillors' reports**

Cllr Martin asked whether IWC's Property Services had responded about any unallocated land in the parish of Northwood that might be suitable for the development of allotment space. The Clerk confirmed they hadn't but would follow up. Cllr Jaggar reported a fly tipping incident at the junction of Church Lane and Medham Farm Lane and praised the quick response from Rights of Way to remove it. Cllr Flux reported the problem of horse riders using footpath CS10 between Nodes Road and Newport Road. Cllr Nicholson advised this would need reporting to Island Roads and Rights of Way but that they would need to know

who the culprits were. Cllr Flux would liaise with Environment Officer Senad Adams about this. Cllr Martin reported that a dog had fallen down an open cesspit on Church Lane which he would also refer to the Environment Officer.

**224/23-24 Future agenda items:**

No items were raised at the meeting.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE CHAIRMAN CLOSED THE MEETING AT 8.28 pm.

Signed ..... Dated .....