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**FRESHWATER PARISH COUNCIL**  
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**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE FRESHWATER PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON  
TUESDAY 4<sup>th</sup> JULY 2017 AT 7.00 PM IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER OF THE  
MEMORIAL HALL**

**PRESENT:** Councillors: G Kennett MBE (Chair), A Bamford, C Fleury, Brenda Hobbs, C Bray,  
B Hinton MBE, G Cameron, A Harris, D James, V Lowthion (to item 16) and G Metcalf.

**ABSENT:** Councillor D Eccles.

Members of the public: 1. IW Cllr J Medland. Isle of Wight County Press.

Clerk: M J Mills

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**1. APOLOGIES:** Cllr M Wheeler.

**2. TO AGREE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 6<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2017.**

The minutes of the meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> June 2017 having been circulated were agreed.

**3. TO INVITE COUNCILLORS TO DECLARE AN INTEREST IN MATTERS ON  
THE AGENDA.**

Item 9 CF and GK as trustees of the West Wight Sports and Community Centre

Item 10 CF, GC and CB as members of the skate park committee

Item 12 CF as sponsor and CB (relative named on Memorial)

**4. QUESTIONS ON THE AGENDA FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC (UP TO 15  
MINUTES).**

None.

**5. TO ACCEPT WRITTEN REPORTS FROM FRESHWATER WARD COUNTY  
CLLRS/QUESTION AND UPDATE SESSION (UP TO 15 MINUTES FROM BOTH  
CLLRS).**

Written reports were received from both Ward Councillors.

Cllr James suggested to Cllr Medland that the car park at the old Co-operative site could be let out on a temporary basis to help with the car parking problem. Cllr Medland will contact the Co-operative estates department about this.

Cllr Medland was happy to work with the Parish Council re policing.

Cllr Lowthion pointed out that so far as Sandown Academy was concerned the proposed closure would have an effect on the West Wight. It would mean that Cowes would become the main school for the West Wight and transport would be an issue. There was still time to take part in the consultations.

## **6. CLERKS REPORT – TO BE CIRCULATED TO COUNCILLORS.**

### **Interactive Board**

The Clerk gave some details of a proposed interactive board to replace the projector. Agree to consider this at the next planning meeting and Cllr Metcalf would look into it as he was dealing with an interactive map for the Council.

### **My Life a full Life**

Locality Leads Meeting attended on 28<sup>th</sup> June.

Meeting for West Wight area took place on 29<sup>th</sup> June. 7 out of the 10 councils were represented. Chair and Clerk attended.

Locality Management Group meeting due on 4<sup>th</sup> July.

### **Trees**

3 quotes have been received for the following work

1. Tree at Runnymede, which borders Spin Fish. The tree is interfering with the householder's fence (report received from IWC).
2. Over hanging trees on the Stroud
3. A willow at Queen's Road which is obscuring the 20 mile an hour sign

Total cost for remedial works is £875 plus VAT.

### **Cycle to work scheme**

The Clerk has now used this scheme. Projected savings for the Council are estimated at around £260.

### **Defibrillator**

A defibrillator has now been installed at the Memorial Hall. The Clerk attended defibrillator training along with Cllr Fleury on 21<sup>st</sup> June.

### **Police**

The Chair and the Clerk met with Sergeant Ged Armitage and PC Adam Brown on 23<sup>rd</sup> June.

### **Metal detecting**

Agreement concluded with Keith Gosden on 30<sup>th</sup> June. The agreement covers Council land excluding Pound Green, the allotments, Marsh Green and Jubilee Field. Verbal understanding that metal detecting will not take place whilst the ground is hard.

### **Councillor vacancy**

This has now been advertised. Last date for calling election is 12<sup>th</sup> July.

### **Accounts**

Accounts are now moving to Quick Books. This has involved some extra work for the book keeper.

### **Goals at Jubilee Field**

Brightstone Landscaping have now repaired the pitch beneath the goal posts. Watering is kindly being done by the Sports Centre.

### **Tiny Tots Swings**

The handyman has been asked to look at these swings which are in need of cleaning and or painting or replacing.

## **7. CORRESPONDENCE.**

## 8. TO AGREE ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT – LIST CIRCULATED TO COUNCILLORS FOR INFORMATION.

The following payments were agreed.

<u>Payments May, June &amp; July 2017 - by internet</u>		£	Paid
IB	Island Cleaning Solutions	Toilets; Cleaning May	829.14 31/5
IB	Spyder UK Ltd	Fete; Electrics	3,311.40 2/6
IB	SMC Bookkeeping Services	Bookkeeping May	504.00 2/6
IB	The Sign Company	Fete; Banners	242.91 5/6
IB	RVN Building Supplies Ltd	Library; Materials	1,331.14 23/6
IB	Salaries	June Salaries	3,672.28 28/6
IB	HM Revenue & Customs	PAYE & NIC Apr-Jun 17	1,677.41 15/7
<b>INTERNET BANKING SUB TOTAL</b>			<b>11,568.28</b>
<u>Direct debit payments during June &amp; July 2017</u>		£	
D/Debit	SSE	Gate Lane; Electricity 23/2-16/5/17	43.88 16/6
D/Debit	SSE	Moa Place; Electricity 19/11/16-22/2/17	-112.84 18/6
D/Debit	SSE	Moa Place; Electricity 1/10-18/11/16	-112.36 18/6
D/Debit	SSE	Moa Place; Electricity 1/10-18/11/16	47.81 18/6
D/Debit	SSE	Moa Place; Electricity 19/11/16-22/2/17	104.37 18/6
D/Debit	SSE	Moa Place; Electricity 23/2-16/5/17	96.62 18/6
D/Debit	Business Stream	Avenues; Water 1/4-7/6/17	21.01 22/6
D/Debit	Corona Energy	Library; Gas May-Jun 17	51.05 22/6
D/Debit	Corona Energy	Moa Place; Electricity 16/5-31/5/17	15.91 26/6
D/Debit	Corona Energy	Gate Lane; Electricity 16/5-31/5/17	10.62 26/6
D/Debit	Business Stream	Moa Place; Water 1/4-15/6/17	108.33 30/6
D/Debit	IW Council	The Avenues Business Rates	163.00 1/7
D/Debit	IW Council	Moa Place Toilets Business Rates	182.00 1/7
D/Debit	IW Council	Gate Lane Toilets Business Rates	184.00 1/7
D/Debit	IW Council	Library Business Rates	513.00 1/7
D/Debit	BT	Admin; Telephone & Broadband	223.94 5/7
D/Debit	Business Stream	Allotments; Water	66.30 15/7
<b>DIRECT DEBIT SUB TOTAL</b>			<b>1,606.64</b>
<u>Debit Card payments during May &amp; June 2017</u>		£	
DebitCard	W Hurst & Son (IW) Ltd	Skatepark; Refuse Sacks	6.97 30/5
DebitCard	W Hurst & Son (IW) Ltd	Stroud; Key Cutting	2.50 1/6
DebitCard	Howdens Joinery Co	Library; Works	3045.00 2/6
DebitCard	IW Council	Fete; Temporary Events Notice	21.00 2/6
DebitCard	Dropbox International	IT, monthly subscription	7.99 5/6
DebitCard	Office Furniture Online	Meeting Room Tables	1308.00 9/6
DebitCard	Biffa Waste Services	Fete; Rubbish Collection	55.20 20/6
DebitCard	NEST	Pension Contributions June	47.65 23/6
<b>DEBIT CARD SUB TOTAL</b>			<b>4,494.31</b>

**Cheques drawn for approval 4 July 2017**

			<b>Issued</b>
100165	Lifeline AlarmSystems Ltd	Library; Alarm System	594.00 6/6
100166	Business Supplies Group	Stationery	63.68 6/6
100167	Gareth Hughes	Internal Audit 2016/17	233.54 6/6
100168	Brighstone Landscaping	Grounds Maintenance	1,343.50 4/7
100169	Cater Wight Ltd	Library; Boiler	516.00 4/7
100170	Mark Adams Maintenance	Admin; Transport Skatelite Boards	15.00 4/7
100170	Mark Adams Maintenance	Seats; Maintenance	45.00 4/7
100170	Mark Adams Maintenance	Allotments; Maintenance	15.00 4/7
100170	Mark Adams Maintenance	Fete; Banners	40.00 4/7
100170	Mark Adams Maintenance	Fete; Banners	15.00 4/7
100171	Reynolds & Read Ltd	Library; Skip	240.00 4/7
100172	Leon Bicheno	Seats	60.00 4/7
100173	Wicksteed Leisure Ltd	Stroud; Play Equipment	2,481.60 4/7
100174	Krissy Lloyd Virtual PA	Fete; PR Services	72.00 4/7
100175	Robert Allen	Asset Management	180.00 4/7
100176	Churches Together in the West Wight	Community Grant	1,000.00 4/7
100177	All Saints' CE Primary School	Community Grant	500.00 4/7
100178	Isle of Wight Age UK	Community Grant	500.00 4/7
<b>CHEQUES SUB TOTAL</b>			<b>7,914.32</b>

**Petty Cash for approval 4 July 2017**

			<b>Paid</b>
PC 271	TK Maxx	Fete; Voucher	20.00 12/6
PC 272	W Hurst & Son (IW) Ltd	Fete; Cable Ties	0.95 12/6
PC 273	Plumbfix	Fete; Barrier Tape	13.45 12/6
PC 274	Elliotts	Fete; Stationery	2.49 14/6
PC 275	W Hurst & Son (IW) Ltd	Fete, Marking Paint	7.99 14/6
PC 276	Sainsburys	Fete; Gift	5.50 14/6
PC 277	Poundland	Equipment; Table Mat	1.00 16/6
PC 278	Morrisons	Equipment; Glasses	12.00 16/6
Cash	The Accelerators	Fete; Entertainment	250.00 17/6
Cash	DJ Crabbie	Fete; Entertainment	300.00 17/6
Cash	Derek Sandy	Fete; Entertainment	165.00 17/6
PC 279	Co-Operative	Admin; Meeting Refreshments	1.00 19/6
PC 279	Co-Operative	Admin; Meeting Refreshments	2.00 20/6
<b>PETTY CASH SUB TOTAL</b>			<b>781.38</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b><u>£26,364.93</u></b>

Clr Fleury queried the payments re the Library and these were explained by the Clerk.

**9. FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR THE WEST WIGHT SPORTS AND COMMUNITY CENTRE FOR THE YEAR APRIL 2018 AND ONWARDS (CLARE GRIFFON ATTENDING).**

Clare Griffon thanked the Parish Council for its support over the last 3 years. She said that the Centre continued to need support and each year there was a £150,000 deficit to find through grants and sponsorship. Clare said that the climbing wall had been a great success. The community had asked for this and it had been funded entirely by the community. It had been built in 18 months. Support for the cookery project had been incredible and the Centre had received one of the highest votes in the country.

There was some discussion about whether the level of support should be increased. It was resolved to pay £30,000 for the year 2018/2019 and to consult the community at the Parish public consultation event in January to see if this figure should be increased. Some further information should be obtained regarding the Centre's finances.

It was also pointed out that the Centre could always ask for an increase in funding if required.

**10. SKATE PARK. TO APPROVE REPAIRS – REPLACEMENT OF BOARD AND SKATELITE – ESTIMATED AT IN THE REGION OF £1000.**

This was agreed. The Parish Council would write to thank the volunteer for his work.

**11. TO AGREE RENEWAL OF THE CLERK'S SLCC MEMBERSHIP AT A COST OF £189 (ONE YEAR).**

This was agreed.

**12. CLEANING OF THE MEMORIAL AT THE MEMORIAL HALL FRESHWATER – TO CONSIDER A GRANT TOWARDS THE COST (NOT EXCEEDING £500).**

This was agreed. It was noted that Totland Parish Council may make a contribution to the cost. Once the work had been completed the Parish Council would look into having an event to commemorate the campaign. Cllr Medland would be able to provide some details of the history. Cllr Hinton would look into the whereabouts of the book which had been given by the author and which was thought to be held by Totland Parish Council.

**13. CCTV. UPDATE FOLLOWING MEETING WITH THE POLICE.**

The Chair and Clerk had met with the police and an action plan had been circulated. PCSO Mike Thornton was looking into Neighbourhood Watch (Freshwater currently had only one street in the scheme at present). Shop Watch would also be looked into. Also, PC Brown would look at the existing CCTV camera at Moa Place.

It was felt that any new CCTV cameras should link to the police system.

Cllr Cameron thought that a police presence once a fortnight for "Shop Watch" would be helpful.

**14. FRESHWATER FETE – "WASH UP" AND FINAL FIGURES.**

It was felt that this had been very successful. The only complaint was that the toilets had closed too early (although the Clerk had asked for them to remain open during the event).

Cllr James had been involved in the Festival youth project and he asked about young people performing at future fetes.

**15. GATE LANE PUBLIC CONVENIENCES. TO APPROVE FORM OF TRANSFER FROM ISLE OF WIGHT COUNCIL.**

The Clerk explained the background to this and that Isle of Wight Council were asking for a restriction that the property could only be used as a public convenience and for an option to buy the property back for a period of 21 years. Councillors felt that it was important to retain this facility although the property was in poor repair. The form of transfer was approved.

**16. TO NOTE AND UPDATE THE CURRENT LIST OF PROJECTS.**

The list was updated and noted.

**17. APPROVAL OF DARES QUOTE FOR TRACING SERVICES AT THE MEMORIAL HALL.**

The quote of £540 was accepted. It was confirmed that the work was for Stroud Field not the Memorial Hall

**18. TO ACCEPT WRITTEN REPORTS FROM SUB-GROUPS, COMMITTEES AND REPRESENTATIVES OF COMMITTEES**

Cllr Fleury's report re Compass meeting had been circulated. The Chair was disappointed that Michael Lane, Police and Crime Commissioner for Hampshire and the Isle of Wight had not responded to Isle of Wight Association of Local Councils re the inclusion of Isle of Wight in the name of the constabulary. This was a change proposed by the previous Police and Crime Commissioner that the name of the constabulary should be Hampshire and Isle of Wight Constabulary and its disappointing that this is not going to be taken forward by the current PCC. There was a Splash and Dash at the West Wight Sports and Community Centre on 15<sup>th</sup> July and volunteers were needed as Marshals

**19. TO AGREE PROPOSED FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS FROM COUNCILLORS.**

Dinghy park update.

Presentation on interactive map and quotes (GM) - next planning meeting.

**20. OTHER MATTERS**

The Chair would write a letter of thanks to the Rev Mark Whatson as he was retiring from the church.

The meeting closed at 9.00 pm.