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**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE FRESHWATER PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON
TUESDAY 5th FEBRUARY 2019 AT 7.40 PM IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER OF
THE MEMORIAL HALL**

PRESENT: Councillors: G Kennett (Chair), A Bamford, C Fleury, V Lowthion, A Harris, D James, T Dimmick, and D Eccles.

Members of the public: 1.

Clerk: M J Mills Also present IW Cllr J Medland

1. APOLOGIES.

Cllrs C Bray, B Hobbs and B Hinton MBE.

**2. TO AGREE THE MINUTES OF THE FRESHWATER PARISH COUNCIL
MEETING HELD ON 15th JANUARY 2019.**

The minutes of the Freshwater Parish Council meeting held on 15th January 2019 (having been circulated) were agreed (CF/AB).

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

Item 12 – Cllrs Bamford and James as members of MHALCO.
Ward Cllr's report – Cllrs James and Kennett (Mountfield).

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

There were no questions.

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

Cllr Medland submitted his written report. Cllr Fleury asked that the West Wight Community Partnership liaise with the Parish Council on issues of funding.
Cllr Cameron submitted a written report. He also spoke about the West Yar Seating Project. The meeting agreed to support this in principle and details would be brought to a future meeting.
Cllr Fleury asked that Armed Forces Day be properly publicised.
Cllr James said that enforcement action was now being taken by Isle of Wight Council re winter lets. This could make provision of affordable housing more difficult.

CLr Cameron said that resilience plans needed reviewing and funding might be available.

6. CLERKS REPORT – TO BE CIRCULATED TO COUNCILLORS.

This would be given at the next meeting.

7. CORRESPONDENCE.

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

The following payments were approved

	Date	Num	Name	Memo	£
9 - 29 Jan 19					
	15/01/2019	Debit	Thompsons Plants	Christmas trees	660.00
	15/01/2019	Debit	Lifeline	Callpoint repair	82.20
	15/01/2019	Debit	Jo Blackley	Accounts fees for December 2018	100.00
	15/01/2019	Debit	W Hurst & Son (IW) Ltd		48.68
	15/01/2019	Debit	Corona Energy		144.67
	16/01/2019	Debit	Screwfix		32.99
	16/01/2019	Std. Order	HM Revenue & Customs		2,357.78
	16/01/2019	Debit	Intuit UK Ltd	Quickbooks service plan	23.04
	16/01/2019	Debit	Business Stream Gate Lane	Water Gate Lane toilets September to December	788.45
9 - 29 Jan 19					
					4,237.81
New Payments					
	05/01/2019	100464	The Footprint Trust	Home visits - Warmer Freshwater Initiative	223.45
	05/01/2019	100465	Teddy's Place	Avenue Road watering and weeding	75.00
	05/01/2019	100466	Memorial Hall Arts & Leisure	Christmas Craft Event	97.50
	05/01/2019	100467	WWSC	Lighting for MUGA	60.22
	05/01/2019	100468	Brighstone Landscaping	Grounds Maintenance	1,500.00
	05/01/2019	100469	Brighstone Landscaping	Library grass cutting	1,199.50
	05/01/2019	100470	Mark Adams	Library Boiler Room leak repair	45.00

	05/01/2019	100471	Mark Adams	Spinfish Lane Hedge Cutting	22.50
	05/01/2019	100472	RJR Electric	Library RCD	305.00
	05/01/2019	100473	Mrs B Collinson	PFO Shirts	10.00
	05/01/2019	100474	Cross Country Services	Tree felling - Moa Place Car Park	480.00
	05/01/2019	100475	Mark Adams	Christmas	60.00
	05/01/2019	100476	Mark Adams	Library Weeding and Tidying	180.00
					4,258.17
				TOTAL	8,495.98

9. REPORT FROM FRESHWATER BAY RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION MEETING.

The meeting had been cancelled due to bad weather.

10. FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE RE THE 2019/2020 BUDGET AND FINAL DETERMINATION OF BUDGET AND PRECEPT.

It was noted that there had been no major public concern regarding the draft budget. The Parish Council decided to add £15000 for the community connector post. It was understood that Totland Parish Council were also making financial provision for this.

Subject to that the draft budget was approved. This would give a net precept of £270,502 with an additional grant from Isle of Wight Council of £1732.

11. WEST WIGHT SPORTS AND COMMUNITY CENTRE – CONSIDERATION OF SUPPORT FOR THE YEAR 2019/2020 AND ONWARDS.

It was **resolved** to commit the sum of £40,000 per annum for a 3 year period starting in April 2019.

12. PARISH OFFICE. CONSIDERATION OF PROPOSAL FROM MEMORIAL HALL ARTS AND LEISURE COMPANY.

It was resolved to agree a 3 year letting for the Parish Office commencing on 1st April 2019 at the following rates

Office £7350 per annum

Utilities £2100 per annum

Cleaning £1500 per annum

Archive room £395 per annum

CLlr Fleury commented on the positive working relationship between MHALCO and the Parish Council.

13. TREE REPORT AND QUOTES FOR WORK.

Quotations from Cross Country Services numbers CCS – 18/114 and CCS – 18/120 for £1140 and £780 respectively were approved.

- 14. COMMUNITY BUILDER – UPDATE FOLLOWING ISLE OF WIGHT COUNCIL’S DECISION TO CEASE THE LOCAL AREA CO-ORDINATION SCHEME** (note this item was considered prior to item 10 in view of possible budget implications).
Cllr Kennett reported that there had been a lot of support from the public for the scheme. Isle of Wight Council was now proposing funding for Freshwater, Ryde and Newport (Pan) of £20,000 each. It was hoped that in the long term the local care board would pick up the funding.
Cllr Kennett will be meeting Cllr Mosdell (cabinet member) on 20th February.
It was resolved to add £15,000 to the budget for this purpose.
- 15. TO CONSIDER APPLICATIONS FOR COMMUNITY GRANTS.**
The following grants were approved:
Isle of Wight Dance and Drama Festival £100
Freshwater and Totland Archive Group £500
West Wight Churches Youth Project £500
Councillors felt that the West Wight Churches Youth Project was of particular importance and that consideration should be given to setting up a project to provide more substantial support. It was resolved to have a meeting with representatives of the Youth Project to discuss the way forward.
No decision was made on the application of Victim Support but they should be invited to attend a future meeting.
- 16. GATE LANE TOILETS – UPDATE ON PROPOSALS FOR REFURBISHMENT.**
Cllr Dimmick said that he felt the way forwards was to demolish the existing building and to build a new purpose built building. He thought that costs could be kept to below £100,000 using a timber framed construction.
Cllr Eccles said that Danfo would be able to rebuild by the end of the year. Also their proposal would generate income which would help to support the project.
Cllr James suggested that demolition might be required because of the floor levels.
The Chair referred to the possibility of an outside shower for surfers and kayakers.
Cllr Eccles felt that this should be a separate facility.
He suggested that councillors should go and see the Shanklin Town Council toilets.
There was discussion about what plans would be needed. It was **resolved** to instruct an architect to prepare plans and then to instruct a quantity surveyor to cost the scheme. Cllr James pointed out that the architects’ fees would be wasted if the Danfo option was agreed. He suggested that some refurbishment quotes from local builders should be obtained as a third option. This was **agreed**.
- 17. TO ACCEPT WRITTEN REPORTS FROM SUB-GROUPS, COMMITTEES AND REPRESENTATIVES OF COMMITTEES.**
Cllr Fleury presented his written report on the IWC budget meeting.
- 18. TO AGREE PROPOSED FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS FROM COUNCILLORS.**
None.

The meeting closed at 9.25 pm.