SHORWELL PARISH COUNCIL

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THESE MINUTES WILL BE FORMALLY ADOPTED AT THE NEXT MEETING.
Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at Methodist Hall at 19.30 Tuesday 11th March 2014

Present

G. Butler	Parish Councillor
D.Heaysman	Parish Councillor
R. Keats	Parish Councillor
C.Warne	Chairman
M. Davies	Clerk.

One member of the public.
The meeting was re-scheduled from 4th March after appropriate notice.

1. CHAIRMANS OPENING REMARKS.
The Chairman greeted those present.

2. APOLOGIES.
Councillor Seely.

3. COUNCILLORS DECLARATION OF INTEREST IN AGENDA ITEMS.
None declared.

4. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING.
The minutes of the 4thFebruary meeting were tabled, read and accepted as a true record.
Proposed : G. Butler: Seconded: D Heaysman.

5. REPORTS.
a) Recreation Ground.
A new Trust agreement is being prepared by the Stark family, after which a further lease will be arranged.

b) Isle of Wight Council. (Report received after the meeting)

Damages to verges by tractors, etc.

I am glad to say that the Council is now monitoring the damage to verges and Rights of Way caused by tractors and

farm machinery.I have received photos from residents regarding damaging to bridleways near Bucks Farm, and

also the outstanding damage to the Village Green.

The Council's Rights of Way team are aware of the damage and believe it to be caused by Staples. Such damage

has not occurred in previous years so the team believe that wet weather this year is the root of the problem.

The Council's Maintenance Office has been collecting evidence over the past few weeks and wrote to Staples Head

Office in Lincoln on Friday. There are Statutory provisions allowing the Council to take formal action if needs be,

but firstly the Council is asking Staples to enter into amicable discussions with a view to them undertaking

necessary remedial works.

State of the roads after the bad weather. Please keep encouraging residents to email/contact Island Roads re

potholes/damaged roads, and to copy me in if they wish. To my knowledge all damaged lanes have been inspected

and some, but not all, have been cleared or repaired. If you do not believe that is the case, then please contact me.

The jet-patcher machine has returned to the Island and is being used on our smaller roads. If there are still problems

with some roads in the next few weeks, or if residents believe that they have not been repaired to their required

standard, will they please let me know and I will follow the matter up with Island Roads. Overall I think that Island

Roads are doing a good job.

Shorwell Shute. I am aware that some confused information has been issued by Island Roads about repair work to

Shorwell Shute (and Brighstone Main Road). I have asked Islands Roads to ensure that they are more accurate.

c) <u>Isle of Wight Association of Local Councils.</u>

R. Keats reported on the potential transfer of assets from IWC to local councils(which will not have an impact on
Shorwell), and on a sustainability forum.

d) Local Policing.
One incident was reported during February-A break-in to an outbuilding with property stolen.

e) Clerk's Report.

1) The points raised with Island Roads at the last meeting have been followed up-Awaiting response.
2) The IWC Tree Department have agreed work at 1 The Green.
3) Southern Water have confirmed there will be a heavy jet clean of the sewer line in Walkers Lane. Clerk to follow up to establish any findings. There is also a blockage in Fine Lane awaiting work.
4) The Courier service to Clerks by IWC is to cease, and in future paper copies of planning applications and urgent correspondence will be forwarded by post.
5) The damaged bench at Willets Cross will not be covered by insurance. Replacement would cost arround £450, and it was agreed to review this in a few monthsto see whether funds would be available.

The remaining correspondence is shown under the various agenda headings.

f) Highways Report.
Sand/Mud on the Shorwell side of Pond Cottage, Kingston has been reported as dangerous, and the Clerk

will contact Island Roads.

6. Planning.
No new applications.
The application for the development of the holiday camp at Atherfield Bay has been refused.
The applications previously reviewed for the Methodist Chapel and Tremore, Main Road have both been approved.

7. Finance.
The balance of the account on 28th February was £7544.14.

Schedule of items for payment:

Sub IWS & RC	£ 5.00
Clerk's Wages-Feb 17 hours @£8.43	£114.71
HMRC-Tax Ded	£ 28.60

Cheques Issued

001076	IWS & RC	£ 5.00
001077	M Davies	£114.71
001078	HMRC	£ 28.60

Proposed By: R. Keats Confirmed by D. Heaysman.

8 Parish Record Book.
No entries

9. Date of Next Meeting.
The date of the next meeting is 1st April, which will be the Parish Annual Meeting followed by the monthly meeting.
The Chairman is away for the date of the May annual meeting, and it was agreed to delay this until 13 May.

10. Chairman's Closing Remarks & Questions.
A question was raised about bonfires in the village upsetting neighbours, and the Clerk will put a reminder in the
Newsletter & IWCP.
The meeting was closed at 20.15