

# St Helens Parish Council

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## MINUTES OF MEETING OF ST HELENS PARISH COUNCIL

Held on Monday 11th March 2024 at 7pm at St Helens Pavilion

Chaired by Cllr JB,

Attended by: Cllrs: SE,PJ,MC,AB,GG,SP,

Clerk JM

Public 27 members present for Items 154 - 158 inclusive, 1 member for entire meeting

### 154-23/24 APOLOGIES

None

### 155-23/24 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION

Refer: 102-22/23 12.12.22 Declarations & interests from Cllr JB & Cllr PJ as members of the IOW Council and St Helens PC.

### 156-23/24 MINUTES

To approve & sign the minutes of the PC meeting held on Monday 12th February 2024 .

Signed by Chair Cllr JB

Proposed Cllr JB Seconded Cllr AB all agreed

### 157-23/24 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- 1.General Issues (15 minutes)
- 2.On Matters below (15 minutes)

### 160-23/24 BEACH/DUVER - debate

See separate document.

### 158-23/24 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Look into a litter pick for the Beach front area.

### 159-23/24 CLERK'S REPORT

A concerned resident in contact re plant material overgrowing onto the pathways. Island Roads were contacted and letters to the homes in question have been sent.

Southern Water - Outlet pipe - no news on when this work is due to take place.

Potholes along Eddington Rd - Work believed to commence the week of this meeting.

Sports - Football - no matches as the ground has been too wet.

Various works and annual checks on the Pavilion and Duver Toilets, have taken place or are booked.

Provision to purchase 2 hand dryers to replace one at the Pavilion and one in the Ladies Toilets on the Duver. Electrician to fit before the Summer Season begins.

Greengym - booked for a litter pick - maybe an issue with tide times & the materials from the caravans. Clerk to contact.

The hole in the sea wall - by the Old Church, Duver ongoing works.

Village Hall Week - no items have been arranged.

D Day celebrations - ideas for the village - are the Village going to celebrate . Ask the Harbour to see if they are planning anything. To be clarified.

Memorial Garden top of the Duver - the bench has had its day and requires replacing. Gutter above the bench is leaking so I will contact the owners of the house.

### 161-23/24 STATION ROAD / PAVILION

A draft Heads of Terms - outline of a potential lease has been given, and circulated with the PC Cllrs. Pavilion was taken on as a Tenancy of Will under the understanding of taking on the Station Rd block with the plan to generate an income.

Question this eve - is everyone happy with the suggestions for the leases. Rent for the Pavilion is £500 per annum.

Suggest to pause this item from this meeting - Cllr JB & Cllr PJ to investigate the questions:

- Query the £500 rent of the Pavilion
- why there cannot be a freehold of Station Rd rather than a 125 year leasehold.

### 162-23/24 FINANCE & DATA PROTECTION

Monthly Income & Expense report shared with Cllrs. There was an issue due to a computer error. The PC, not happy to approve some of the details, asked that they be re-presented at the next meeting and shared with the Councillors beforehand. Clerk to consult with Cllr CH and then circulate with the Council.

End of February balance & bank statement shown,

#### St Helens PC Financial items paid month - end of February 2024

Inv Date	To Whom	Amount	Date of payment	Method of Payment
12.2.24	S/O to: COMMUNITYACTIONISL	1,227.48	12.2.24	S/O
1.2.24	E.on Next Gas	81.99	14.2.24	BACS
1.2.24	E.on Next Electric	101.96	14.2.24	BACS
20.1.24	What's On Magazine Ad	45.00	14.2.24	BACS
29.1.24	Lake Cleaning Supplies	55.14	14.2.24	BACS
29.1.24	Green Gym	90.00	14.2.24	BACS
26.1.24	IWALC subs	284.53	14.2.24	BACS
4.2.24	Elite Property Maintenance Services	35.00	14.2.24	BACS
1.2.24	J Matthews: Writing Paper Batteries	6.50	14.2.24	BACS
30.1.24	J Matthews:Pavilion items - k Towel, Refuse sacks, Tea Towels	12.20	14.2.24	BACS
21.1.24	Steve Wilson - electrics	372.25	14.2.24	BACS
19.2.24	Corona Energy - Duver Electricity	46.18	19.2.24	DD

22.2.24	Direct Debit (1:1 Internet Ltd)	11.99	21.2.24	DD
29.1.24	S/O S Chester	600.00	28.2.24	S/O
		<b>£2970.22</b>		
<b>Income</b>				
8.2.24	St Helens Historical Society	70.00		
		<b>£70.00</b>		
<b>To Pay</b>				
9.2.24	Business Stream - Water Pavilion	85.08		
4.3.24	E.on Next Electric	92.09		
4.3.24	E.on Next Gas	57.77		
1.3.24	Direct Debit (1:1 Internet Ltd)	11.99		DD
7.3.24	Corona Elec - Duver	32.06		DD
	<b>J Matthews - Expenses</b>			
7.3.24	Letterbox draught excluder	5.99		
11.3.24	Currys - Printer & paper	187.98		

**Bank Statement 29.2.24**

End of January			£33,538.28
Income February	£70.00		
Expenses February		£2970.22	
End of February			£30,638.06

To be agreed at the PC April meeting.

The Clerk suggested opening a Deposit Account in order to generate a small amount of income.

**Cllr JB & Cllr GG agreed - all in favour**

**163-23/24 APPLICATIONS MADE TO THE PLANNING AUTHORITY**

24/00119/TW Smugglers, Upper Green Road - Treeworks

**164-23/24 NOTIFICATIONS RECEIVED FROM THE PLANNING AUTHORITY**

None

**165-23/24 PARISH COUNCILLORS REPORTS:**

BHAG - none

IWALC - none

**166-23/24 WARD COUNCILLOR REPORT**

Nothing to add.

**167-23/24 OPEN QUESTION TIME**

Greens Tender - what is the situation at the moment. No contact at the time of the meeting with the present contractor.

Clerk to investigate and contact the Contractor. A matter of urgency that the Tender to go out.

Bridge at the end of Gaggen Path - when is it going to be open? It is an important pathway onto the Duver. The NT said they were going to do a quick repair but it appears this is not suitable.

Map at the top of the Duver Road - what is happening.

A new copy of the map has been produced onto a more waterproof medium The Clerk is waiting for the perspex & the marine ply to arrive before reconstruction can take place.

Cricket Club, Cllr JB & Clerk met - the Club is having their AGM and will propose an amount to give for hiring the Pavilion. Their AGM is on March 21st - Cllr SE to attend.

**168-23/24 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

**PC Meeting** - Monday 8th April 2024 7pm at the Pavilion

Main part of the Meeting concluded at 20:40 pm

Signed:..... Date.....

**169-23/24 Resolved: Clerks Contract**