

72/06-7 CONSIDERATION REGARDING PRODUCTION OF A VILLAGE DESIGN STATEMENT

Cllr.M.Groves advised that he and two other members attended a recent “cluster” meeting where a presentation on planning matters included the merits of Parish Councils producing “Village Design Statements” to use in planning matters. The Clerk advised that Shalfleet Parish Council had produced a VDS for one of its constituent villages, the exercise does involve a significant amount of administrative work and printing & publishing costs. Cllr.Groves stated his willingness to undertake the project and to seek further advice from Planning Aid. The Council agreed in principle to producing a VDS subject to work load and costings proving feasible.

73/06-7 MISSING POST BOX ADJOINING PYLE MANOR

Cllr Groves advised members that a post box temporarily removed from a wall site at Pyle Manor has not been re-instated by the Royal Mail inspite of assurances given to local residents to the contrary. The Clerk was requested to write to the Royal Mail and request re-instatement as soon as possible.

74/06-7 CHALE VILLAGE PARTNERSHIP

Cllr Overton reported the next meeting of the Partnership due to take place on Tuesday 12th December hence there was nothing to report.

75/06-7 CORRESPONDENCE

Items in the correspondence file were listed and the Clerk read out correspondence from Mrs.V.Laker of the Women’s Institute requesting support for the provision of lighting in the Chale car park. The council noted this correspondence.

76/06-7 TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING

The Council considered the following applications and recommended:

P/02890/06 Chale Farm-erection of livestock barn. ***Chale Parish Council has no objection to this application.***

P/02810/06 The Old Rectory Chale Street-replacement external staircase and balcony. ***Chale Parish Council has no objection to this application or the necessary listed building consent.***

The Council noted that two appeals were currently extant, details of the submission of the appellant regarding Gladices Barn were noted and some points regarding the elected status of Chale Quality Parish Council were strongly rejected. The Clerk was instructed to convey the views of the Council to the Planning Inspector in Bristol before the stated

deadline of 1st January.2007. The Council also expressed disappointment in the withdrawal of objections from the IW AONB Partnership and the Clerk was requested to write to the AONB Team expressing such disappointment and requesting a reconsideration of its policy regarding this appeal. The other appeal regarding down lighters at the Wight Mouse Clarendon Hotel was noted.

77/06-7 CLERKS REPORT

- a) Finance- payments cheques were approved as follows: Clerks salary,£32.66 expenses, £50 Rec Field Committee.
- b) Administration- The Clerk reported an apology from Mr Andrew Pegrum LPA and it was agreed that he should be invited to address the Council on VDS and other planning matters at the January or March 2007 meetings of the Council.

The Clerk request amendments to the Audit Accounts return be agreed and signed by the Chairman and Clerk.

The Clerk reported that the findings of the Lyons report into local government finance will not be available till March 2007.

The Clerk reported his appointment to the foundation board of the embryo Institute of Local Council Management and he had attended the first formal meeting of the Board at Bristol on Thursday 7th December 2006. The Council congratulated the Clerk on this appointment.

78/06-7 COUNCILLORS REPORTS

Cllr.Overton the moving of traffic signs had taken place as requested and that traffic monitoring equipment has been deployed at Chale Green. Cllr Overton also reported being approached for details of progress regarding the provision of affordable housing.

Vice Chairman commented on the housing needs survey carried out for affordable housing and its particular local agreement requirements regarding eligibility.

Cllr.M.Groves reported on his attendance at a recent IW Fire & Rescue Service consultation exercise, he said the meeting was presented with two options (1) to merge with the Hampshire Service. (2) To have much closer formal collaboration with Hampshire. Cllr,Groves reported the mood of the meeting insisted that another option should be (3) the current status quo, with gradual phased improvements. On another subject Mr Groves advised that Spanners Close does have security cameras and associated video recording equipment installed and in operation.

THERE BEING NO OTHER BUSINESS AND AFTER PUBLIC QUESTIONS THE COUNCIL ROSE AT 2045 hrs.