



**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF SHALFLEET PARISH COUNCIL THAT WAS HELD ON THE
11TH FEBRUARY 2026 AT THE SHALFLEET CHURCH HALL AT 7.15PM.**

MEMBERS PRESENT: - Cllr Timbrell (Chair), Cllr Hill, Cllr Broadhead and Cllr Beane.

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Questions were received from the public on the following matters –

1. Procurement of tree works at Withyfields.
2. Appointment of Tree Officer.
3. Provision of Financial Information.

The Chairman would provide a written response.

77/25-26 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Laurie and Cllr Breslin.

78/25-26 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN RESPECT OF BUSINESS NOTIFIED ON THE AGENDA

There were no declarations of interest.

79/25-26 TO RECEIVE ISLE OF WIGHT COUNCILLORS WRITTEN REPORTS.

Cllr Stuart gave his verbal report to the Council. A written report is attached at the end of these Minutes as Appendix A.

80/25-26 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 10th DECEMBER 25

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held on the 10th December 25 be approved.

81/25-26 TO COMMENT ON THE FOLLOWING PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

1. T1; Willow (*Salix fragilis*) - Pollard to approximately 8M height and match lateral boughs. Reason: To reduce leverage after adjacent works have left this brittle tree exposed and overhanging a garden used by children and in proximity to property. 7 Withyfields Shalfleet. Ref. No: 26/00073/TW |
2. Proposed alterations and two storey rear extension (part room-in-roof); 2 no. front facing dormer windows and entrance porch; general roof and wall material changes. Westward Thorley Road Yarmouth. Ref. No: 25/01832/HOU |

RESOLVED: (i) To support application 1. Above.

(ii) To make no objection to application 2. Above.

82/25-26 TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE THE FINANCIAL REPORTS.

A summary of payments and receipts for December 2025 and for January 2026 had been circulated together with supporting bank statements.

RESOLVED: To approve the statements as presented and for such statements to be placed on the finance page of the parish council website

a. CHAIRMANS REPORT

Councillor Timbrell had discussed the use of the Best Kept Village Award with the school including for the involvement of pupils in the application of the prize monies. She had asked the Clerk to convene a meeting involving the Parish Council, the School, IW Council Highways and Island Roads regarding highway safety issues adjacent to the school site and car park. Councillor Timbrell had also been in communication with the school regarding the use of the car park and associated responsibilities. She also reported on the location of a bus stop at Wellow, the positioning of which was a highway safety hazard, she had sought the assistance of IW Councillor Spink in approaching IW Council and Island Roads to seek works to make the bus stop more accessible to users.

Councillor Timbrell gave her thanks to all Councillors and the Clerk for their recent work over the new year period

b. COUNCILLORS REPORTS

Councillor Hill reported on the reintroduction of an ATM at the store in Newbridge. He also reported on overgrown bushes and hedging at Westway, Newbridge, he had taken photographs of which and the Clerk had written to Southern Housing to request that they assess and undertake the works that are required.

Councillor Broadhead reported on dog fouling activity at Bouldnor Field and suggested that signage and use of the newsletter to highlight the situation may assist in resolving the matter. A member of the public advised on dog control legislation which would also be applicable. Councillor Broadhead reported on the blockage of the view at Bouldnor Viewpoint and the need for tree works at Bouldner Field, she would also contact IW Councillor Spink regarding replanting of trees at Silver Glade.

84/25-26 CLERKS REPORT.**a. Bouldnor View Car Park**

The Clerk had spoken with Rights of Way who had advised that whilst they were to undertake work in this location it would have a limited impact on restoring the view. The Clerk has written to IW Council Property Services & Public Realm regarding further work on the restoration of the view.

b Horse and Groom Car Park

The Clerk advised that he was in touch with IW Property Services regarding a new Lease, Councillor Broadhead had also been in contact with the School. IW Property Services had advised that the site was insured by the IW Council

c. Rubbish & Dog Bins.

A new bin had now been placed in the area of the Horse & Groom and School. IW Council Highways had advised that they would examine the requested new dog bin at the bus shelter in Wellow.

d. Wight Fibre Missing Links

This matter had been covered earlier in the meeting in the report of IW Councillor Nick Stuart.

e. Fencing at Shalfleet

The requested works had now been completed.

f. Gritting of icy pavements.

A request had been received from a resident of Warlands Lane regarding the possible creation of a grit supply from Island Roads for use of local residents on footpaths during icy conditions. The Clerk had written to Island Roads asking that they give consideration to providing a grit supply for the application by local residents.

85/25-26 REVIEW OF POLICY DOCUMENTS

A review of the following documents had been undertaken by a Working Party comprising of all Councillors –

1. Standing Orders
2. Financial Regulations
3. Code of Conduct
4. Equality & Diversity Policy
5. Dignity, Bullying & Harassment Policy
6. Unreasonable ,Vexatious, Persistent and Abusive Behaviour Policy
7. Disciplinary Policy
8. Retention Schedule
9. Filming etc Policy
10. Document Retention & Disposal Policy
11. Privacy Statement
12. Safeguarding Policy – Adults & Children
13. Grant Application Policy
14. Grant Application Form
15. Tree Management Policy
16. Playground Maintenance Policy

RESOLVED: (i) To approve documents 3 to 16 above.

(ii) That documents 1 & 2 above be considered for adoption at the parish council meeting to be held on 11th March 2026.

The meeting closed at 8.09pm.

Signed

Chairman

Date 11th March 2026

APPENDIX A.

Cllr Stuart presented his report as an Isle of Wight Council Councillor, detail as follows: -

Economy, Regeneration and Infrastructure Committee meeting

Key issues were the Local Transport Plan 4, where I suggested a specific reference to preserving the Military Road, and the first steps towards a possible new Cowes Floating Bridge. I also chair the Floating Bridge Working Party that has agreed the preliminary market engagement towards a possible replacement.

Environment and Community Protection Committee meeting

Key issues were the Carisbrooke/Gunville 2023 flood report & coastal erosion where I raised, as always, the Military road.

Full Council meeting

Lots of internal material but the main point was the Government's Fair Funding review. Which is neither fair or funded as they took money from the IoW again.

Ward

Horsebridge Hill diversion

Agencies had to be persuaded to have a regular meeting, which I run, which is helpful in dealing with issues and overall approaches. Ive also been out with residents on Rolls Hill for a speed sampling day, in the rain.

Drainage is a worry so Ive been noting problems, as do many residents, and raising them with Island Roads and the Council. If you see something please report it. Or clear the easy blockages!

Ive also been visiting possible planning breeches locally to raise them with the Council and talking to West Wight Parish Councils to consider our own West Wight Enforcement Officer. Please let me know if you have concerns.

Wightfibre - Thank you to residents who contacted me. The IoW Council have agreed to raise the various issues in a meeting with Wightfibre and the Government broadband funding agency. Wightfibre have also been in touch and I have a contact point for the concerns of people who contacted me.

Other matters include traffic, damaged verges & emerging potholes and general support for residents.