

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council at The European School of Osteopathy, Styles Lane, Boxley, ME14 on Monday 4 November 2019 commencing at 7.30 pm.

Present: Mr V Davies (Acting Chairman), Mrs A Brindle, Mr J Constable, Mr Ivor Davies, Mrs W Hinder, Mrs K Macklin, Mr P Sullivan, Mrs L Clarke, Mr P Dengate, Mr G Hayday, Mrs P Huntingford, Mr D Hollands, Mr T Harwood and Mr J Willmott together with the Clerk Mrs D Baylis and four members of the public/press.

1. Apologies and absences

Cllr B Hinder

2. Declaration of Interests, Dispensations, Predetermination or Lobbying

Cllr V Davies – item 16.1

3. Chairman's Announcements

In his absence these were made under Borough Councillors reports, item 15.

4. Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting 7 October 2019

The minutes of the meeting were **agreed** and **signed** as a correct record with the following addition:

Item 2. Cllr P Sullivan – item 13.

5. Matters Arising from the Minutes

5.1 Minute 3263/5.2 Weaving Heath, Wents and Five Acre Woods and Grove Green Wood - Village Green Status. Cllr Wendy Hinder reported that this was going to a November meeting of the Community, Housing and Environment Committee and then to Policy and Resources in December for a decision.

Minute 3314/12 – Grange Lane, Sandling, Cllr Wendy Hinder reported that she has a meeting with an MBC officer on the 26th.

Minute 3315/26 – Cllr Wendy Hinder reported that she has a meeting with an MBC officer on the 13th November.

6. Any other matters arising from the minutes which are not on the agenda.

None

7. Crime Report and Police Issues

Crime report October 2019. **Received** and **noted**

7.1 It was decided that the Clerk would contact the Police, Community Safety Officer, County Councillor and Youth Services to arrange a meeting that residents could attend to voice their concerns. **Action: Clerk**

Adjournment to enable members of the public to address the meeting.

8. Draft Minutes of Recent Committee Meetings

8.1 Environment Committee 14 October 2019. **Received** and **noted**.

8.2 Estates Committee 21 October 2019. **Received** and **noted**

9. Finance

9.1 Payments made out of meeting 28.09.19 – 27.10.19. **Received** and **noted**

9.2 Receipts for the period 28.09.19 – 27.10.19. **Received** and **noted**

9.3 Account balances. **Received** and **noted**

10. To adopt the amended Financial Regulations

It was proposed by Cllr V Davies and all agreed that the amended Financial Regulations be adopted.

11. Walderslade Woodlands

11.1 Sale of Wildfell Close Land

It was agreed that the Chairman, Cllr Bob Hinder sign the documents relating to the transfer of the land on the Parish Councils behalf.

It was proposed by Cllr Ivor Davies, seconded by Cllr P Huntingford and all agreed that the recommendations submitted by the joint BPC/WWG working group, for the draft CIO constitution be used.

12. Traffic Calming Measures

These were being discussed at a meeting with Jennie Watson from KCC on the 5th November and a report of this meeting would follow.

Inconsiderate parking on Weavering Street and the parking of vans on Provender Way was also raised and the Clerk was asked to report this.

The Clerk was asked to question why traffic, including large lorries, from the M20 closures was being diverted along New Cut Road which was unsuitable for this volume of traffic and causing disruption.

13. Franklin Drive Play Area

It was proposed by Cllr Wendy Hinder, seconded by Cllr Ivor Davies and all agreed that the Chairman, Cllr Bob Hinder sign the lease on the Parish Councils behalf.

14. Reports from Councilors/Office

Cllr Anne Brindle had attended a Brexit readiness meeting at MBC.

The Clerk had attended the KALC Transport Conference and would produce a report for the next meeting.

15. Reports from Borough and County Councillors

Cllrs Anne Brindle and Bob Hinder had attended the Appeal hearing for the proposed Care Home on Land at the Junction of New Cut Road and Bearsted Road (Application ref 18/503492/OUT). It was noted that only 1 resident had attended to object. From comments received from residents, Cllr Wendy Hinder reported that they see no point in attending Appeals after no notice was taken of their opinions regarding the Popesfield schools site. It was made very clear that this side of the road gave a green view from vehicles approaching from the Chiltern Hundreds roundabout. It was also noted that KCC highways had objected to the proposed entrance way.

Cllr Wendy reported that she had been lobbied by email regarding charges to use and sale of fireworks. She would refer these to the MP.

16. Matters for Decision

16.1 to consider the following requests from Vinters Valley Trust

Silt Traps

It was agreed to refer this to the Finance Committee

30th Anniversary

It was proposed by Cllr Anne Brindle, seconded by Cllr Kaz Macklin and all agreed to support the 30th Anniversary event.

VE Day 8th May 2020

It was agreed to support this event in principle.

Boundary Fence

This was referred to the Finance Committee.

17. Correspondence

None.

18. Matters for Information

None

19. Items for Next Agenda

To be received by the Clerk on or before the 22nd November 2019

20. Next Meeting

2 December 2019 at St Johns School, Provender Way, Grove Green, ME14 3DZ. **Noted**

21. Personnel Issues

A new Clerical Officer, Mrs Jane Denham had been appointed and had started work on the 4th November.

Meeting closed at 8.45 p.m.

Signed as a correct record of the proceedings.

Chairman..... Date.....

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