

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE ABOVE PARISH COUNCIL  
HELD IN THE DURLING HALL ON TUESDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY  
STARTING AT 7.00pm**

**001/19 To Record those Present and list any Apologies**

Those present were Councillors: Mr S Bull – Chairman, Mr N Fursdon, Mr C Mason, Ms S Clark, Mrs J Tritton, Mr C Brace, Mr D Harris, Mrs J Hollingsbee & Mrs C Carey (arrived late). Also present were 3 members of the public and the PC Clerk and Minute Secretary.

Apologies were received from Mrs G Montgomery.

**002/19 To declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI), Other Significant Interests (OSI's) or a Voluntary interest relating to items on the agenda.**

There were none.

**003/19 To agree the minutes of**

- a) The December PC meeting - Having been previously circulated, were **agreed** and **signed** as a true record.

**004/19 Public Open Session**

- A member of the public asked that, when Phase 1 of the Taylor Wimpey development has been completed, how is the village green going to be utilized? Please could the Parish Council inform the residents of Sellindge what the green can be used for?
- Another request was that, when Phase 2 of the Taylor Wimpey development gets underway, could the Tree Preservation Orders be clarified. Cllr Fursdon advised he would look into this.
- Another member of the public asked the Chairman if anything had been done about the ongoing builders' bags in Greenfields, as they have still not been removed. The Chairman advised that a letter would be sent by the Parish Council to the owner of the bags to advise them that these bags need to be removed, or the owner will be invoiced for the cost to remove them.

**005/19 To hear a report from**

- a) County Councillor – Susan Carey, she reported
- Advised that KCC can balance their books this year.
  - Extra funding for Brexit preparations of £29million will be given to KCC to strengthen roads and provide resources for a call centre.
  - The Department of Transport carried out a contingency arrangements test on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January on lorries. This was where a number of HGV's was sent from Mansted Airport to Dover Docks and then back again. This took place on two occasions; one with police control and the second without. According to DoT, this proved successful.
  - On Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> January at the Village Hall in Stelling Minnis, Matthew Hall, the Police Commissioner, will be meeting with the public between 10 – 12 noon.
- b) District Councillor – Jenny Hollingsbee reported the following;
- Advised how the Otterpool Park Stewardship will be managed.
  - Attended the Patients Participation Group meeting at the doctors. The surgery advised that their staffing situation has been managed as best as they can. Although shortages are still having a small impact.
  - Was part of a telephone conference with cabinet members for the community safety in Kent, mainly to do with violence.

- Attended the funeral of Mrs Marilyn Garrod. She would like her condolences passed on to Mr Garrod.
- Advised that KCC /Taylor Wimpey attended a meeting about the Little Rhodes site line. 2 bollards have since been erected.
- The travellers situation at Junction 11 of the M20 is being dealt with.
- Rory Love, who is part of the District Council, received an OBE in the New Year's Honours List.
- Advised that you can donate through the 'Small Change' scheme.
- Please put your ideas forward for topics you would like discussed at the next Scrutiny Committee meeting.
- The recycling of rubbish in the District Council area is the lowest for the last 10 years with 46% being recycled.
- Viola are to do a thorough clean up in the Otterpool layby.
- Cllr Harris asked whether the Open Spaces Project Team Officer could be invited to come and talk to the councillors/residents of Barrow Hill concerning issues relating to Otterpool Park and Barrow Hill. The Clerk was asked to investigate and arrange for this to happen.

**006/19 Planning**

1. To note any decisions made by Folkestone & Hythe DC  
**18/1462/FH – 3 Grove Bridge.** Erection of single storey rear orangery extension.  
 The application has been approved with conditions.
  
2. To note the receipt of any applications and **agree** comments.  
**18/1525/FH – Airport Café.**  
 The Clerk will ask for an extension on this application.

**007/19 Correspondence**

- a) To **Note** items received and **agree** actions as required:

Kent P&CC	Newsletter
KALC	December Newsletter
KCC	Brexit information
Member of Public	Burns night
KALC email	Training information
C & C Direct	January Issue 121

The above items are located in the Council Office for Cllrs to attend and read.

**008/19 Finance**

1. To **note** Minutes of last F&GP meeting.
  - It was reported to the meeting that the F&GP had considered the budget for the coming year. Copies were handed out to Members. A brief debate took place with the budget agreed at £48,280.00.
  - The precept request has to be in by the 21<sup>st</sup> January 2019.
  - Cllr Mason reported that the F&GP was making a recommendation to the full council that the precept request should be £41,287.00. Although this is an increase of 2.5% on last year's precept it is below the agreed budget. It was further **agreed** any shortfall will be taken from general reserves.
  
2. To **agree** invoices and **sign** cheques as required:

3. Name	Reason	Amount	Chq No/other payment method
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V/Hall	Electric Nov	£96.15	Bacs 08/01/2019
	Electric Dec	£118.35	Bacs 08/01/2019
Dilton	Skip for Burial ground	£160.00	501053
N Fursdon	Petrol	£65.27	501054

**009/19 Action Log update on potholes and other highway issues**

The Clerk updated the Councillors present, and advised that some of the actions reported on the KCC highways portal were confusing, with one statement saying under investigation or more work required then stating the issue was completed with no indication as to what was agreed.

**010/19 Matters of General Interest**

Cllr Ms Clark asked whether a zebra crossing could be installed at the top of Barrow Hill, this will be added to the next agenda.

**011/19 Date of next meeting & Close.**

The next meeting will be on the 12<sup>th</sup> February 2019 at 7pm, there being no further business, the meeting closed at 8:23pm.