

# SELLINDGE PARISH COUNCIL - MINUTES | 2019

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## MINUTES OF THE ABOVE PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE DURLING HALL ON TUESDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> MARCH STARTING AT 7.00pm

Before the meeting started, Mr Ian McClintock from Great Chart with Singleton Parish Council addressed the PC & members of public present about his involvement with the Chilmington Green development and how he could help the PC and surrounding PCs with their discussions and meetings concerning Otterpool Park. A question and answer time took place afterwards

### **026/19 To Record those Present and list any Apologies**

Those present were Mr S Bull – Chairman, Mr N Fursdon, Mr C Mason, Mrs J Tritton, Mr C Brace, Mr D Harris, Mr M Pullen & Mrs J Hollingsbee. Also present were 10 members of the public and the PC Clerk and Minute Secretary.

Apologies were received from S Carey – KCC Councillor and Cllr G Montgomery – Parish Councillor.

### **027/19 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.

### **028/19 To agree** the minutes of:

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

### **029/19 Public Open Session**

- A member of the public thanked the PC for arranging the Core Strategy event on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March.
- A discussion took place concerning the Residents Association being a forum for residents of the village to express their points of view. It was noted that the Parish Council are always happy to discuss with residents any concerns they may have about the parish.
- Another member of the public enquired as to whether the PC owned the Village Green. They were advised that the PC do not own the Green yet – it will be another 18 months to 2 years before this is likely to happen. A query was asked as to whether it will be insured if events are to take place on the Green.
- It was also asked who will set the rules for the use of the Green. The PC advised that bylaws can be put in place and events that are to be held would need to be presented to the PC for permission.
- A member of the public also asked whether a bin at the bus stop outside the Village Hall could be erected

### **030/19 To hear a report from**

- a) County Councillor – Susan Carey – was not present.

b) District Councillor – Jenny Hollingsbee

Cllr Hollingsbee gave a verbal report this included;

- Anyone who sees a lorry parked in the laybys in the village to still take a photo and send it to F&HDC. She would also chase the District Council with regards to the signage for the laybys.
- Advised that the camera erected by the motorway bridge is to monitor traffic due to the imminent Brexit. It is not recording.
- Advised that the Otterpool Park Planning Application has now been submitted. It will be validated by the middle of March. The public consultations will begin early May – the meetings could be held at Westenhanger Castle.
- There had been a presentation by KCC on the modelling of the highways at Otterpool Park. This had been very interesting and maybe it can be presented to the PC.
- Was keen to advise that there had been a lot of talk about land in Swan Lane being in the Core Strategy for house building and has advised that this had been rejected and was not in the current Core Strategy which is valid until 2037.
- The land at Barrow Hill is still waiting for a meeting with the project team. Mr Harris advised that he had received an email, however, the Clerk had not. The Clerk would look into this.
- Advised that the elections for the District Council are to be held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> May and would be counted that night. The PC elections held on the same day would be counted on the Saturday.
- Advised that the litter pickers, arranged to pick up litter during the road closure at J11 M20, have been unable to pick in the darkness when it was closed for the resurfacing.
- The travellers at J11 – the situation is the same as she reported last month.

**031/19 Planning**

1. To **note** any decisions made by Folkestone & Hythe DC  
No decisions had been reported.
2. To **note** the receipt of any applications and **agree** comments.  
There were none.
3. Other planning issues.
  - a) Y18/1035/FH – Land adjacent to The Mount, Barrow Hill – it was advised by the Clerk that this application was being considered on the 19<sup>th</sup> March at 7pm by F&HDC. As the PC felt that no decisions should be taken prior to the Examination in Public report they would request to speak at the Development and Licensing committee meeting on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup>. This was **agreed**. It was further **agreed** that as the Clerk was not available a Councillor would attend – Cllr Harris offered and this was **accepted**. The Clerk with the Chairman of the PC and the planning committee Chairman would agree the wording prior to the Clerk going on holiday – this was also **agreed**
  - b) 2 Chislet Close – After a brief debate it was **agreed** to **object** to this application.

**032/19 Correspondence**

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

The Clerk advised that the Phase 2 Taylor Wimpey road names had been sent to F&HDC. The Clerk read out the names that had been accepted by the DC as follows:

- St Marys Road,
- De Montford Drive
- Tylle Place

- Cromwell Mews

Others put forward had been refused; after a detailed debate in which the Chairman allowed the public present to become involved the following was agreed to be submitted

- Belvedere Close – the name of the house demolished to make way for the school extension
- Somerfield Close – Somerfield barn, could have a different spelling.
- Poppy Walk – to commemorate the 75 anniversary of the WW2 taking place this year
- Godfrey Close – there is/was a charity of that name which came from decades ago, linked to the village by land ownership
- Dukes Row – the pub
- Potten Row – from the current farmland

These will be forwarded to Taylor Wimpey.

**b) Various communications regarding the lorries parking in the village**

The Clerk advised that on the 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> March, she had called the Police out to move on lorries that were blocking the pavements. A debate took place, it was thought that the bollards placed in the laybys were doing their job if left where they were. A member of the public advised that some layby signs had now been erected.

**033/19 Finance**

**1. To note Minutes of last F&GP meeting.**

The Clerk advised the councilors about an email she had received from Newquay PC concerning sustainability. The sustainability Act allows parish and town councils to raise concerns and if enough support is received the issue is debated in parliament.

She wondered if Members would consider asking for support for traffic diversions to be compulsory rather than advisory, when the M20 is closed and traffic on diversions. The Clerk continued that she was not sure of the correct procedure and could find out. However if members did not want to do this then the matter would be dropped. A short debate took place where the Clerk was asked to obtain more information on how this works.

**2. To agree invoices and sign cheques as required:**

| Name       | Reason                 | Amount   | Chq No/other payment method |
|------------|------------------------|----------|-----------------------------|
| Staff x3   | February pay + HMRC    | £2,41404 | Bacs 26/02/2019             |
| N. Fursdon | Travel for Newsletters | £13.50   | 501058                      |

The Clerk advised the councilors that a letter from the Pensions Regulator had been received to advise that the pension contributions would be increasing, both for employers and employees

**3. To note the reconciliation of accounts to 31 December 2018**

These were not brought to the meeting.

**034/19 Action Log update on potholes and other highway issues**

- The Clerk updated the councilors concerning the latest potholes.

**035/19 Matters of General Interest**

- Mr Harris advised the PC that the Chief Medical Officer for the UK had written an article concerning air pollution/traffic pollution. It could lead to traffic being banned outside schools.
- Mr Harris gave his apologies for the next meeting.

### **036/19 Date of next meeting & Close.**

The next meeting will be on the 9<sup>th</sup> April 2019 at 7pm.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8:28pm.