

MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE ABOVE PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE DURLING HALL ON TUESDAY 10th SEPTEMBER 2019 STARTING AT 7.00pm

121/19 To Record those Present and list any Apologies

Those present were Councillors: Mr S Bull – Chairman, Mr N Fursdon, Mr C Mason, Mrs J Tritton, Mr C Brace, Mr S Parish, Mr R Bristow, Mr D Harris & Mrs J Hollingsbee. Also present were 3 members of the public and the PC Clerk and Minute Secretary.

Apologies were received from Cllr S Carey – Kent County Councillor

122/19 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.

123/19 To agree the minutes of:

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

124/19 Public Open Session

- A member of the public wished to report that he lives at the old Police Station on the corner of Swan Lane and the Main Road. He had received a letter from KCC asking him to remove vegetation on the corner of Swan Lane. He advised that he had written back to KCC to say that it is their land and the boundary markers are very clear. If he is to cut the boundary back any further, this would expose footpaths that would need to be repaired.
- Another member of the public referred to previous PC minutes that advised that the Council would publish a budget online. They felt that residents would appreciate this information being published on the Council's website. Mr Harris asked why the budget had not been put online by now. The Clerk responded and it was discussed that possibly a spreadsheet could be published putting last year's and this year's costings online.

125/19 To hear a report from

- a) County Councillor – Susan Carey

The Clerk read out Cllr Carey's report.

- b) District Councillor – Jenny Hollingsbee

Cllr Hollingsbee advised

- that if anybody sees any fly tipping in the area to report it please.
- F&HDC are trying to see the best way forward/budget for the 'Climate Emergency in Motion'.
- Westenhanger Castle was purchased by F&HDC and it will remain as it is for the next 3 years and continue to be run by the current occupiers. There will be a 30 year long term plan drawn up to include bringing the moat back into action.
- had a meeting with the Canterbury Estates Manager for the Medical School at the Uni.

She confirmed she has been told that it is on target to open next October 2020. There has been lots of interest and it will be a GP University whereby the students will go out into GP surgeries in their first year.

126/19 Planning

- a) To **note** any decisions made by Folkestone & Hythe DC
 18/1536/FH – 2 Chislet Close – Erection of a chalet bungalow
 The Clerk advised the councillors that this application had been taken to the Planning Committee and had been approved despite the Parish Council's objection.
- b) To **note** the receipt of any applications and **agree** comments.
 These applications were referred back to the full council from the F&GP for consideration
- **19/0739/FH** – Land adjacent to **The Surgery**. Discharge of condition 6 (pond details) and condition 7 (play equipment)
 The Clerk advised the councillors of the play equipment to be installed. The plans were circulated to the councillors present and the application was **supported**.
 - **19/0932/FH** – **Hale House**. Erection of single storey side & rear extension, following removal of existing kitchen
 The plans for this application were circulated and discussed. All councillors present supported the application. There was a concern regarding the flat roof.
- c) Other planning issues
Proposed amendment to the Places & Policies Local Plan Submission Draft (2018).
 The amendment relates to the inclusion of the Council's preferred site allocation for Gypsy and Traveller pitches. The consultation period will run for 6 weeks from 2nd September until 17:00 on the 14th October 2019.
 The clerk advised the Councillors to come down to the PC office and read the Draft and comment by the 14th October.

127/19 To consider and agree the following policies

- Scheme of Delegation
 Having been previously circulated, those Councillors present **adopted** the policy.

128/19 Finance

- a) To **note** invoices received, **agree** payments and **sign** cheques
- b) The following cheques were agreed and signed

Name	Reason	Amount	Chq No/other payment method
N. Fursdon	Reimbursement Travel	£20.70	TBC
S Parrish	Reimbursement training fee	£60.00	TBC

- b) To **note** the Draft Minutes of the F&GP Committee
 There was nothing to report.

129/19 Correspondence

SLCC	The Clerk Magazine	For Information	Noted
Folkestone & Hythe	Consultation Traveller sites	For reading & comments	Noted
	Consultation Green Infrastructure	For reading and comments	Noted
	Promoting your events		Noted
KCC Highways	Satisfaction survey		Noted
	Speed watch - update		Noted
ICO	Fact sheet, personal emails addresses & devises		Noted
Table Tennis Co	Info on permanent Table Tennis tables		Noted
NALC	Public sector website accessibility Regulations		Noted

130/19 Updates on the following

Highways issues

- It was advised that there had been some fly tipping reported.
- The dragons' teeth at the 30mph ends of the village are not considered a priority by Kent highways, therefore the Clerk has requested further information on the costs of this and will bring it back to Members for further consideration.
- The suggestion of 'no left turn' at the end of Otterpool Lane is no further forward. However, it is ongoing.
- The bridge at the Ashford end of the village is considered by Highways to be capable of weight up to 44 tonnes. In a conversation between the Clerk and highways steward, the Parish Council has concerns given that if two HGV's are passing at the same time (now that the motorway is closed regularly with diversions) the combined weight is 88 tonnes which is double the safe maximum; the highways steward will obtain further details and respond back to the Clerk.

Graffiti

Mr Bull advised that he had sourced the anti-graffiti coating and accessories. Cllr Carey has offered to provide a grant to pay for this.

131/19 Matters of General Interest

- Cllr Brace advised that he had attended the Merchant Navy Day at Ashford Borough Council.
- Cllr Bristow would like to hear about the Garden Town visit. The Clerk advised that there will be a report to look at.

132/19 Date of next meeting & Close.

The next meeting will be on the 8th October 2019 at 7pm, there being no further business the meeting closed at 8:28pm.