#### MINUTES OF THE ABOVE PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE DURLING HALL ON TUESDAY 11<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY STARTING AT 7.00pm

## 13/20 To Record those Present and list any Apologies

Those present were Councillors S Bull – Chairman, N Fursdon, J Tritton, R Yates & D Harris (left the meeting at 7:35pm), S Carey – KCC Councillor, J Hollingsbee F&HDC Councillor (arrived at 7:15pm). Also present: the PC Clerk and Minute Secretary.

Apologies were received from Councillors S Parish and R Bristow and were accepted.

# 14/20 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 declared

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# 15/20 To agree the minutes of:

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

## 16/20 Public Open Session

There were no members of the public present.

## 17/20 To hear a report from

- a) <u>County Councillor Susan Carey</u>
- There is to be a budget meeting on the 13<sup>th</sup> February. KCC have £2.4billion gross (£1billion net). Much of this will be spent on care of the elderly, child protection and children with special educational needs.
- There is to be a waste transfer station at Folkestone and new household recycling in the next 3 years.
- There is a government strategy to have zero carbon by 2030. The whole of Kent by 2050. There will be advice on the KCC website by the end of April.
- A consultation on the lower Thames Crossing is online please comment on it.
- b) District Councillor Jenny Hollingsbee
- The District Council have purchased the racecourse at Otterpool for £25million so they now own the whole complex with complete control.
- There is a government grant of £580,000 for development costs which will go towards the planning costs for Otterpool.
- The DC is to build over 1000 council houses using a dividend out of the Otterpool funds.
- The UKIP member has stepped down from cabinet and there will now be a member of the Green Party and Lib Dems to replace them.
- There will be a Railcard available for veterans with 1/3 off from Armistice Day.
- There has been a government consultation on encampments. The police now have more powers to move travellers on.
- Please keep reporting anything that needs to be improved by FHDC.

## 18/20 Planning

- a) To **note** any decisions made by Folkestone & Hythe DC There were none.
- b) To **note** the receipt of any applications and **agree** comments. There were no applications received.

## 19/20 Finance

#### a) To agree invoices and sign cheques as required:

The following invoices were agreed and cheques signed

b) Name	Reason	Amount	Chq No/other payment method
*Mickle Print	Invoice 015290^	£193.00	BACX
*Mickle Print	Invoice 015117^	£186.00	Bacs
*Village Hall	Electric Invoice 19/191	£107.51	Bacs
*Village Hall	Electric Invoice 20/010	£70.59	Bacs
Microshade	Invoice 12777	£151.02	Cheque 501108
Plusnet	Phone & Broadband	£35.04	DD
*Staff Pay & costs Incl.	January.	£3,308.95	Bacs
IT NI & pensions			
*Mickle Print	Invoice 015430	£193.00	Bacs
Stan Bull	Reimbursement Dog bags	£69.65	Cheque 501109

## c) To note Draft Minutes of the previous F&GP meeting.

- The Clerk advised that Councillor Chris Mason had resigned. A unanimous vote of thanks was requested to be recorded as he had been a valuable member of the Council and will be missed.
- Cllr Parrish agreed to be the Chairman of the F&GP Committee together with being a new cheque signatory.
- The £91.30 interest discrepancy has now been corrected within the computer programme.
- There was a planning application regarding a Right of Way at the back of the school; this was agreed.
- The KCC Adult Social Care information would be resent to Cllr Tritton, as she had not received this from the Clerk.
- A winter pack of 45 saplings would be purchased and then planted at the churchyard.
- The Clerk advised that she would put the shortening of the layby at the top of Sellindge back on the next F&GP agenda for discussion under the Highways Improvement Plan.

#### 20/20 Purchase of replacement cabin

- To consider the arrangements for the removal and the replacement of the sub-mountable cabin and agree actions
- The Clerk advised that the cabin is being provided free of charge to the PC. It will cost £390 to lift/drop it at the PC location. Money will be needed to complete the installation; however, it has had to be put on hold as the company have not moved out of it as yet. It will cost between £1000-£1500 to move and install the new cabin. The Clerk advised that she is still waiting for quotes. Councillors present agreed in principle a budget of no more than £1,500.

## 21/20 Correspondence

- Letter from the Ministry of Justice confirming that the Diocese had applied for the closure of the churchyard and that they have been and visited it. The Clerk also advised that the dangerous trees are still to be investigated.
- There is to be a meeting of the transfer of the Mental Health Care in Kent & Medway.
- Canterbury Cathedral is to host Kent's Civic Service on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March at 11am. Cllr Fursdon expressed an interest in attending.
- The A20 Hythe Road, Mersham is to be closed on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February between 11pm & 6am Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February.
- There is a South Kent Coast Engagement meeting on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February.
- KALC News.

# 22/20 Matters of General Interest

- Cllr Fursdon asked about obtaining quotes from landscaping companies to grass over the land at Meadow Grove in time for VE Day.
- Cllr Tritton asked whether the Parish Plan could be resurrected and more done regarding this. The Clerk advised she would put it on the next Agenda.

# 23/20 Date of next meeting

The next meeting will be on the 10<sup>th</sup> March at 7pm.

24/20 To exclude members of the public and press under the Public Bodies (admission to Meetings Act) 1960 and the Local Government Act 1972 ss100 and 102 of the Part two. Although there were no members of public present this was **agreed**.

## 25/20 To consider an item of correspondence

 Gladman Ltd. The clerk reported receiving an email, requesting a meeting with the Parish Council. It was agreed to meet on 18<sup>th</sup> February with the Chairman of F&GP Ccommittee, Planning and council Chairman.

## 26/20 Close of Meeting

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8:20pm.