



Boughton Aluph & Eastwell
PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 9th JULY
2019 AT SANDYACRES SPORTS AND SOCIAL CLUB AT 7.15PM

Present:

Cllr Spencer Phillips (Chairman)

Cllr Nigel Bunker (Vice-chair)

Cllr Adrian Coles

Cllr Nikki Ellis

Cllr Jane Hart

Cllr Jane Hall

Cllr Ken Newman

Cllr Jenny Li

Action
by:

Clerk Mrs Rachel Girt

1. Apologies and Reasons for Absence

None.

2. Declaration of Interests

None declared.

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Resolved: That subject to a correction to the initials of the proposer to co-option, the Parish Council meeting held on 10th June 2019 be approved and confirmed as a true record.

4. Matters arising from the last minutes

None

5. Adjournment for Members of the Public to Address the Meeting

None present

6. Financial Reports

6.1. The Statement of Account at 30/6/2019 was reviewed and accepted, the receipt of a VAT refund was noted.

6.2. The authorisation of accounts

Resolved: That the following payments be made by cheque.

Cheque	Payable to	Description	Gross	VAT	Net
1584	KALC	Councillor Training Courses	192.00	32.00	160.00
1585	MI Payroll	Quarter 2 payroll fees	60.00	0.00	60.00
1586	Mrs R Girt	Mileage & post/printing expenses reimbursement	56.97	0.00	56.97
1587	Mrs R Girt	Salary inc. backdated pay & office allowance	722.05	0.00	722.05
1588	N Bunker	Copying flyer reimbursement	14.70	0.00	14.70
1589	Came & Co.	Insurance Renewal	598.74	0.00	598.74

7. Proposal to change current account from Lloyds Bank to Unity Trust Bank

Proposed by Cllr Newman and Seconded by Cllr Phillips

8. Annual Insurance Renewal

8.1. Renewal with Inspire was approved and Councillors noted the cover provided.

9. 9. Village Green

9.1. Cricket Club groundsmen are struggling with substantial amounts of broad-leaved weeds and moss, and the Club have contacted a company called Weed Management Ltd to apply a herbicide. Safety details had been circulated. No objection, but Councillors requested that only the playing area be sprayed.

NB

9.2. The Clerk reported that a legal briefing at the SLCC regional training seminar had included the Court of Appeal ruling on a case of a tree on Parish Council land falling on a bus, and the implications for inspection regimes for tree on public land. The Clerk had taken advice from the Parish Council Insurers and a professional safety inspection of such trees was recommended, and then that their recommendations were followed, possibly including a documented visual inspection after windy weather. Clerk to investigate.

RG

10. Cllrs Hart and Hall to work on engaging with the Goat Lees community through Goat Lees school. Clerk to contact Rita Hawes, Chair of Governors and pass details to Cllr Hart.

RG,
JHart

Neighbourhood Plan

11.1. Work on consultations is ongoing. Meetings have been held with Eureka Park developers and careful consideration given to responses to the important views in the draft plan. There is a suggestion that Sandyacres is designated as a local green space. Responses to be circulated to Councillors for comment.

11.2. Leisure amenities such as a trim trail or children's play area on the Lees had been requested by some respondents to the draft Neighbourhood Plan. Councillors discussed the idea but concluded that was insufficient space, given the current safety requirements including fencing and gates required in addition to the playground equipment itself.

NB

11.3. No further project updates.

12. Other Project updates

12.1. Offsite construction of the bus shelter has started prior to installation.

12.2. An example costing for both a double sided A4 newsletter and folded A3 newsletter was presented and discussion regarding effectiveness, reach and monitoring of a publication followed. Additional suggestions of effective communication methods such recorded piece to camera were also made.

Proposal for a year trial, proposed Cllr Newman, seconded Cllr Hart
Cllrs Ellis, Hall and Hart to produce.

Goat Lees Borough Councillor Winston Michael to be consulted on his proposed
Newsletter publication date in order not to clash.

13.1. Planning applications received

19/00781/AS (& listed building 19/00782/AS)

The Flying Horse, Wye Road, Boughton Aluph, Ashford, Kent, TN25 4HH

New external freezer Unit with roof overlink and resurfacing of car parking area.

No objection

19/00133/TP

1 Denelees, Wye Road, Boughton Aluph, Ashford, Kent, TN25 4HH

Oak T5 - fell to ground level. This tree is dying, it has few leaves, and many dead branches. Ash T7 - fell to ground level. The lower branches of this tree which once screened the house are dead apart from one branch. Remainder of leaf coverage is now 20 feet above ground. Ash T 4 - remove dead branches. Once Oak T5 has been removed, Ash T4 can be tidied by removing any dead branches. All 3 trees are self seeded, and are embedded in the hawthorn hedge at the front to the property

No objection

13.2. Planning decisions notified by Ashford Borough Council

19/00249/AS

Gardeners House, Faversham Road, Boughton Aluph, Ashford, Kent, TN25 4HP

Extension and conversion of annexe into new detached dwelling

Permit

13.3 To note decisions by planning inspectorate

18/00404/AS

Full planning application for the erection of a five bed dwelling with associated cart lodge, landscaping and new vehicular access from Faversham Road

The decision by Ashford Borough Council to refuse permission was upheld.

14. Correspondence

Correspondence had been received from those involved with the Wye Parish Plan about contentious planning permissions granted recently. It was suggested that possible letter of support might be requested. The situation is complex due to a change in legislation since their plan was produced and the local situation will be carefully watched. No representation to Ashford Borough Council was deemed appropriate at the current time.

15. Information items

Cllr Lee informed the Council that the bus route 666 would no longer be serving the William Harvey Hospital. This was agreed to be of concern both locally and for the wider population that the hospital serves. Involvement of a local MP had once before reversed a previous decision to make this change.

16. Future Agenda Items

Kent Highways Parish Improvement Plan

17. Date of Next Meeting

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Monday 19th August 2019 at The Iron Room from 7.15pm

The meeting closed at 8.10pm.

