



## Boughton Aluph & Eastwell PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 9 October 2024 at 7.15pm, Goat Lees School, Hurst Road, Kennington, Ashford, TN24 9RR

**Present:**

Cllr Peter Burrows

Cllr Adrian Coles

Cllr Jessica Fermor-Fox

Cllr Spencer Phillips

**Absent:**

Cllr Paul Curry

Cllr Chelsea Pearce

Cllr Doreen Titmuss

**In attendance:**

Parish Clerk Mrs Rachel Girt

**96/24. Apologies and Reasons for Absence**

Approved: Reasons for absence from Councillor Titmuss.

**97/24. Disclosures of Interests, Dispensations, Predetermination or Lobbying**

Councillor Coles noted that he knew the applicant for planning application PA/2024/1755.

The interest is not pecuniary, it was agreed no further action was required and that Cllr Coles should remain in the meeting.

**98/24. Opportunity for Members of the Public to Address the Meeting**

None present

**99/24. Minutes**

Resolved: The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 11 September 2024 were agreed as an accurate record by the Council and signed by the Chairman.

#### 100/24. Finance

- i. Resolved: To note bank reconciliation and income & expenditure account for the period ended 31/9/24.
- ii. Resolved: To agree payments schedule and note credit card and other payments made. Councillors Pearce & Phillips to authorise online payments.

101/24. Resolved: to note the receipt & publication of the [external audit report](#) (page 6 of the Annual Governance & Accountability Return and publication of the [conclusion of audit notice](#)).

102/24. Resolved: to award a grant application of £500 to Boughton and Eastwell Cricket Club to support the costs of junior team winter nets training and purchase of protective junior helmets.

#### 103/24. Clerk's Report

The Clerk attended the annual KALC finance conference, speakers included Roger Gough KCC Leader on KCC finances who presented a view of cautious optimism, LGA, Forvis Mazars (external auditors) giving feedback on this year's process and Public Works Loan Board.

There was also an online conference event provided by a sector specific accountancy software. There were excellent, concise speakers sharing relevant knowledge.

The demolition company for the cricket pavilion were most helpful getting the defibrillator on the green back up on a board in front of the site.

Following the 20mph zone implementation, an enquiry was received regarding a speed watch scheme for the area. I will introduce the correspondent and a previously interested resident to see if there is enough interest for them to proceed with the mandatory training. The training and insurance is provided by the police, or under the banner of the speedwatch organisation.

#### 104/24. Planning Applications

- i. Case Reference: [PA/2024/1755](#)

Location: 4 Midleton Cottage, Faversham Road, Eastwell, TN25 4HP

Proposal: Proposed single storey rear extension and conversion of existing shed to create an accessible bedroom and sitting room

**No objection**

ii. To consider any comments that Council may wish to make on proposals outside the parish boundary:

- a) outline permission to develop land north of M20 and south of Kennington Road, Willesborough Lees, for 180 housing units ([PA/2024/1087](#)); and
- b) the creation of an engineered wetland along the River Stour between the new houses and the existing factories (([PA/2024/1146](#)))

Comments to submit: representation comment noting that it is not allocated on the current local plan, new plan is in process and a large scale development should wait, there is insufficient infrastructure to support a development at that site.

The meeting closed at 8.15pm

## Appendix 1

To pay:

Gross	VAT	Supplier
£46.00	7.67	Bilting Farm Self Storage
£35.99	6.00	Hugo Fox Ltd
£84.00	14.00	Kent Association of Local Councils
£96.00	16.00	RP Wood Ltd

Credit Card September:

	£
Card fee	3.00
RWG mobile	3.50
Southeastern (travel finance conference)	30.80