



MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 10th FEBRUARY
2020 AT THE IRON ROOM, 7.15pm

Present:

Cllr Spencer Phillips

Cllr Nigel Bunker

Cllr Adrian Coles

Cllr Jane Hall

Cllr Jane Hart

Cllr Jenny Li

Clerk Mrs Rachel Girt

1. Apologies and Reasons for Absence

Apologies from Cllr Ellis (illness) and Cllr Newman (carrying out urgent repairs after storm Dennis)

2. Declaration of Interests

None

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Resolved: That the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 23rd January 2020 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 Statements of Account at 31/1/2020 were reviewed and accepted.

6.2 The authorisation of accounts.

Resolved: That the following payments be made from the Unity Trust bank account. Cllrs Phillips and Li to authorise and noted the final two had already been made for expediency.

Gross	VAT	Detail
817.15	0.00	Salary, office & reimburse Atlassian subscription
648.00	108.00	Community Heartbeat Trust 19/20
22.99	0.00	J Hardie reimburse storage boxes
350.00	0.00	Dunn Virtually

7. Updates

7.1. Holes in village green have to await dryer weather to be repaired.

7.2. St Mary's Eastwell

Friends of Friendless Churches have reported that surveys of the monuments and fencing requirements have been undertaken. The racist graffiti was reported to FoFC by the police, FoFC reported that within hours of that notice to them, it was removed.

8. Project updates

8.1. Noticeboard refurbishment

Both noticeboards are finished, (with the exception of parts for locks).

8.2. Village Gateways Project

KCC have not yet received all of the elements of the final updated costing, but had been in contact. The Clerk has asked for a breakdown of the reasons if cost is above an inflationary rise.

8.3. Neighbourhood Plan

- Screening (environmental, heritage, natural) had just been received back. No further work required for this.
- First tranche of proof reading, setting and document accessibility work completed.
- Reponse from ABC has required some additional work including creation of comparison table and amendment of text. Work on this is almost complete.

8.4. Cricket Pavillion update

The cricket club reported that alongside fundraising planning, changes to the club constitution and charitable status were put to members at the AGM at the end of January. This is intended to make the job of the fund-raising committee easier.

9. 1. CCTV security

Cllr Coles reported on a CCTV presentation to the Ashford area meeting of Kent Association of Local Councils. Councillors asked that the practicality, cost and privacy arrangements regarding CCTV on the village green be investigated. **Clerk to action.**

10.1. Planning applications received

20/00043/AS

41 Friesian Way, Kennington, Ashford, Kent, TN24 9LE

Lawful Development Certificate - Proposed - use of the property to provide caring facilities

This has already been deemed lawful, so therefore does not require consultation.

(n.b. facility is only for three adults with 2 day carers and 1 night carer)

This has already been deemed lawful.

20/00029/TC

Rowan Cottage, The Green, Boughton Aluph, Ashford, Kent, TN25 4HX

Ornamental Rowan tree, to fell. Replant with native mountain ash tree. Ornamental cherry tree (front garden) prune/ cut back, excessive overhang, upper branches impinging on overhead telephone cable. Beech hedge (front garden) - prune/cut-back to manageable proportions.

No objection

10.2. Planning decisions notified by Ashford Borough Council

The tree works at Rook Toll have been approved (19/00001/TC)

19/01686/AS

Pilgrims Cottage, Pilgrims Way, Boughton Aluph, Ashford, Kent, TN25 4EU

Lawful development certificate - existing - lock up for domestic equipment and storage

Existing Use/Development Is Lawful

20/00004/TC

4 Hillside Cottages, Faversham Road, Boughton Aluph, Ashford, Kent, TN25 4HU

Neighbour at Newlands overhanging branches into our garden: Two apple trees, birch and a cherry tree

Raise no objection

18/01625/CONB/AS

Braehead, 198 Sandyhurst Lane, Boughton Aluph, Ashford, Kent, TN25 4NX

Discharge of condition 3

Permit

11. Correspondence

A Litter picking enquiry was received from Cllr Winston Michael. Further to this enquiry he has asked whether residents could be helped to set up litter pick if the litter pick scheduled for Saturday goes well. He was advised that there was money allocated in the budget for this and group concerned should get in contact if they wished to.

Subsequent to the recent traffic accident on Lees Road, correspondence was received from a resident expressing concern over safety and access and asking whether residents can do anything/help. The Clerk replied explaining that the Parish Council shares concerns for safety and explaining what the KCC HIP is for, and also its funding limitations.

12. Information items

- The Clerk attended a half day course on Equality and Diversity hosted by SLCC, the Clerks & Council professional body.

13. Future Agenda Items

Parish Councillor numbers by ward.

15. Date of Next Meeting

The next Parish Council Meeting will be on Monday 16th March at Goat Lees Primary School

The meeting closed at 7.50pm.