



Boughton Aluph & Eastwell
PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 17th November 2021 at
7.15 pm, The Iron Room, Faversham Road.

Present:

Cllr Spencer Phillips (Chairman)
Cllr Doreen Titmuss (Vice-Chairman)
Cllr Jane Hall
Cllr Jenny Li
Cllr Laura Atkins
Cllr Ian Brisley
Cllr Adrian Coles
Cllr Duncan Tennant

In attendance:

Clerk Mrs Rachel Girt

125/21. Apologies and Reasons for Absence

None

126/21. Declarations of Interests, Dispensations, Predetermination or Lobbying

Councillors Brisley and Tennant declared an interest in planning application 21/01789/AS since their properties were consulted. The Clerk is non-voting, so is not required to declare interests. For the same reason, in the interests of transparency she advised an intention to leave the room for the discussion.

127/21. No members of the public were in attendance.

128/21. Minutes

Resolved: the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 7 October 2021 were confirmed as an accurate record and signed by the Chairman.

129/21. Finance

- i. Resolved: To note bank reconciliation and income & expenditure accounts for period ended 31/10/21.
- ii. Resolved: To agree payments schedule and note credit card payments. Councillors Li and Titmuss to authorise payments.
- iii. Resolved: To elect Councillor Brisley to the Finance Committee

Payments to authorise:

RP Wood (inv 3660)	48.00
Malcolm McPhillimy	780.00
The Community Heartbeat Trust (Solutions) Ltd	630.00
KALC Training	42.00
SLCC Enterprises Ltd (National Conference)	120.00
David Sephton Invicta Arboriculture	295.00
Satswana	180.00

Adjustment to salary standing order re: NI

Credit Card (paid 2/11/21):

Bilting Self Storage	42.00
Cartridge Save	34.20
Hugo Fox	29.99
Fee	3.00

130/21. Resolved: to promote and support the joint Kent Association of Local Councils & Kent Fire & Rescue Service (KFRS) volunteer hydrant initiative in the local community. This is designed to encourage reporting of fire hydrant problems to the KFRS and operates additionally to four yearly inspections.

131/21. Planning Applications received

The Parish Council is a consultee of Ashford Borough Council, the Local Planning Authority. The Parish Council is not the Planning Authority.

21/01754/AS

Gardeners House, Faversham Road, Boughton Aluph, Ashford, Kent, TN25 4HP
Single storey office and storage building to rear of existing dwelling

Objection. Not in accordance with Neighbourhood Plan Policy BAE1

Councillors Brisley and Tennant and Rachel Girt, Clerk left the meeting. Councillors Hall & Phillips to note decision of Council.

21/01789/AS

Apple Tree Cottage, Wye Road, Boughton Aluph, Ashford, Kent, TN25 4HY
Erection of detached two bedroom dwelling with garden space and off-street parking

Comment submission to include reference to Neighbourhood Plan Policy BAE1, residential amenity, parking and previous Planning Officer comments that remain relevant to site.

Councillors Brisley and Tennant and the Rachel Girt, Clerk rejoined the meeting.

21/01824/AS

26 Dexter Close, Kennington, Ashford, Kent, TN25 4QG

Conversion of garage to habitable accommodation; enlargement of front porch canopy

No objection

ii. The following planning decisions made by Ashford Borough Council were noted:

21/01486/AS

11 Dunnock Road, Kennington, Ashford, Kent, TN25 4QJ

Single storey side & rear extensions

Permit

21/01520/AS

4 Ayrshire Close, Kennington, Ashford, Kent, TN24 9NB

Construction of single storey rear and side extension

Permit

21/01298/AS

Stourview Cottage, White Hill, Boughton Aluph, Ashford, Kent, TN25 4HB

Conversion of a garage/store to ancillary annexe (retrospective)

Permit

21/00216/TC

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

T1 Yew - reduce in height from 4m to 3.5 metres, removing 2.2 metres on the outer edge

Raise no objection

iii. The withdrawal by applicant of application 17/01613/AS, Land at Lenacre Hall Farm was noted.

132/21. Updates

- i. Highways Improvement Plan. The partner Parish Councils who had been working jointly to reduce speed on the A251 have revised their own Highway Plan priorities. This means that the finalised plan, which was ready for immediate submission will need changes. Separately, the Parish Council has been contacted by Kennington Community Council regarding possible synergies along the Faversham Road near to the Boundary in the Towers School area.
- ii. Sandyacres Sports & Social Club. The Charity Deed relating to the Sandyacres Trust details the range of activities that may be undertaken by the Trust including the lease of land. Any resident with concerns or questions is advised to contact the Trust or any of the Charity Trustees directly (up to date details available from the Charity Commission).
- iii. Councillors Hall & Titmuss attended the Mayor's Environmental Action Event held at Singleton Environmental Centre where examples of successful local initiatives were shared. It is hoped that Aspire (Ashford Borough Council landscaping & horticultural arm) may be able to offer advice on the Parish Council re-wilding project.
- iv. Neighbourhood Plan. The Plan was officially 'made' on October 21 at Full Council. It is now fully part of the Ashford Local Plan and its policies must be considered when any planning application is considered.

133/21. Correspondence for particular attention was highlighted. Routine updates have also been uploaded to the online storage.

- i. A letter to all Parish and Town Councils regarding the Greater Ashford Mapping plans to show land use has been received. Further details about the input required from Parishes will follow.
- ii. 'My Community Voice' is a new messaging service being promoted by Kent Police, users can sign up and tailor information messages to their own needs. The link has been added to the website (under 'Report It' link).

134/21. Information Items

PCSO Adam Brooks' patrol area has been revised to include Boughton Aluph as well as Goat Lees. He has been provided with meeting dates as he plans to attend when possible.

A Certificate of Compliance has been awarded to the Council following attendance at KCC Infection Prevention & Control and the submission of a satisfactory Risk Assessment.

The Parish Council insurance now includes a subscription to Parish Online, a mapping & digital information service. To find out its capabilities, and whether it may be worth learning and using the system the Clerk attended a morning & afternoon (free) session online offered through Kent Association of Local Councils.

The Clerk attended an excellent (virtual) report writing evening for Councils. The idea is to increase efficiency, provide all necessary information for decisions and be able to demonstrate necessary transparency (without increasing bureaucracy)!

The bi-annual tree management survey at the green has identified one limb of a cherry tree that needs to be removed for safety reasons. Clerk to arrange tree work including planning permission to carry out the work.

The Cricket Club have contacted the Parish Council regarding their revised pavilion plans.

135/21. Items to be considered for inclusion on future agenda

Next Meeting: Wednesday 15 December 2021 7.15pm at the Iron Room

The meeting closed at 8.15 pm.