

PARISH COUNCIL OF PLAYDEN, EAST SUSSEX

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Minutes of the Council Meeting Held on 1st November 2018 at 7.30 p.m.

Present:

Councillors: Mr P. Osborne (PO) Chairman, Mr T. Lenihan (TL), Mr D Stone (DS), Mr A Dickinson (AD), Mr D Jenkins (DJ).

East Sussex County Councillor: County Cllr Keith Glazier

Rother District Councillor: Not present

Members of the Public: 3

	Item	Action
1	To accept apologies for absence: Rother District Councillor Sally-Ann Hart	
2	Declarations of interest on items on the agenda: None	
3	To approve the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting 4th October 2018: The minutes were unanimously approved and signed.	
4	Neighbourhood Watch Report: A report was supplied by Ros Ham (attached). The Clerk mentioned that at the recent Playden Church Parochial Church Council meeting that there had been a spate of lead thefts from church roofs in mid Sussex (Colgate, Cuckfield and Bolney) and that villagers should be aware and report suspicious activity and call the church wardens or call 101. The Vicar had also reported that at Appledore church harvest festival donations had been stolen and a churchwarden had prevented theft at a recent craft event at the church. The Vicar had also prevented a purse being stolen after a service at Iden Church. In addition, a couple begging had been reported in Appledore and Winchelsea where they had been found in an elderly couple's home by a neighbour.	
5	Reports from visiting Councillors: District Councillor Sally-Ann Hart had sent a comprehensive report to the Clerk and Councillors prior to the meeting and this is attached to these minutes. PO reported that government grants given for subsidising business rates are running off and in the latest Budget business rates on public conveniences have been removed. County Councillor Keith Glazier reported that pot holes were continuing to be monitored. The budget had offered some more money to councils and KG hoped that an	

	<p>extra £4million would be available but would need to be used by the financial year end. This would assist towards the cost of social care but care packages for the elderly are continuous and cannot be stopped.</p> <p>KG will be meeting Treasury Department representatives in December regarding Council budgets and is attending the Highways England conference in Birmingham.</p> <p>He will also be having interviews this week with TV and radio stations regarding the Core Provision paper that ESCC have published which sets out the core services which the Council legally has to provide. KG stated that any increase in the minimum wage increases the costs of care provision and that East Sussex has 25% of their population over 65 compared with the county average of 18%. There is also an above average child population.</p> <p>DJ questioned if the ESCC used a 5 or 10 year planning basis. The ESCC uses a 3 year plan.</p> <p>DS asked how the HS1 was progressing. KG said that it was still progressing.</p>	
6	<p>Public adjournment: To suspend the meeting for any public statements. <i>Members of the public are encouraged to attend the meeting and raise any pertinent issues at this point.</i></p> <p>A question was raised regarding the new cost of £4 for leaving a bag of rubble at the Mountfield municipal waste tip. KG responded that charges for non-business garden soil and building waste were brought in on 1st October 18. Garden soil and rubble are not counted as domestic waste and the Council can charge for this whereas they cannot charge for domestic household waste. The charges are helping to keep the tips open. There has been no evidence elsewhere that asking these charges have resulting in an increase in fly tipping.</p> <p>KG also reported that he had walked round the parish with the highways inspector and the hedges were not currently bad enough to require cutting.</p>	
7	<p>Matters arising from the minutes of 4th October 2018: None</p>	
8	<p>Correspondence: The Clerk had been sent a letter from Rother DC offering a free copy of the electoral roll to the Parish Council. It was agreed to request a hard copy which could be kept in the locked cabinet for reference.</p>	Clerk

9	<p>Planning:</p> <p>Applications</p> <p>None</p> <p>Outcomes and Updates:</p> <p>RR/2018/2283/P. Peace and Plenty, Rye Road, Playden TN31 7UL Subdivision of existing dwelling to form a one bedroom cottage with associated parking and garden. Undecided – decision due by 8/11/18.</p> <p>RR/2018/2194/P. Cairnwell, Houghton Lane, Playden, TN31 7QB Erection of replacement dwelling, including outbuilding and swimming pool.(Resubmission of amended plans). Conditional Approval.</p> <p>RR/2016/3026/P: 115 Military Road, Playden, TN31 7NY Outline: New covered structure to provide 3 new tennis courts. Undecided – decision due by 29/10/18 – Still outstanding information.</p> <p>RR/2018/1622/P: Brookgate, Folkstone Road, Playden/East Guldeford TN31 7PB Demolition of existing dwelling. Erection of replacement dwelling. Undecided – decision due by 22/11/18.</p>	
10	<p>Accounts – to approve the following expenditure:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Online mapping Service £40.00 • Clerk’s wages – carried forward to next month. <p>Income.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None 	
11	<p>Councillors reports.</p> <p>AD mentioned that he was giving a talk on the History of Rye Foreign at the WI Hall on 15th November. It has been organised by Rye Foreign Parish Council with proceeds going to the Playden Church spire re-shingling fund.</p> <p>TL mentioned that the promised dog fouling notices had not been put up yet and there were still notices up round the roads for the E-cig shop.</p>	

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.07 pm

**THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD AT THE W.I. HALL ON:
THURSDAY 6th December 2018 at 7.30pm.**

Signed:

Chairman

Date: