

PARISH COUNCIL OF PLAYDEN, EAST SUSSEX

Clerk: Lesley Voice, C/O 1 The Grove, Rye, TN31 7ND. Tel: 07767 221704

Minutes of the Council Meeting held remotely by Zoom and telephone on 4th March 2021 at 7.30 p.m.

Present:

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

East Sussex County Councillor: Cllr Keith Glazier

Rother District Councillor: Not present

Members of the Public: 0

	Item	Action
1	To accept apologies for absence: Sally-Ann Hart (S-A H) (Rother District Council). Now Member of Parliament for Hastings and Rye.	
2	Declarations of interest on items on the agenda: None	
3	To approve the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on 4th February 2021: The minutes were unanimously approved and will be signed later by PO.	
4	Neighbourhood Watch. TL reported that flowers had been removed from one of the graves in St Michael's graveyard. This is a second theft of flowers from the graveyard recently. Though only low level crime this is very upsetting for the relatives. The Clerk to report to Orla Lindsey (PCSO)	Clerk
5	Reports from visiting Councillors: East Sussex County Councillor: Cllr Keith Glazier. Keith reported that the County Council had agreed the Council Tax increases as detailed in the last minutes. The Covid vaccination is continuing to be rolled out with the Etchingham centre providing the Pfizer vaccine. Electioneering for the forthcoming May elections can start at the end of March but Keith questioned how many people would want candidates knocking at their door with restrictions still in place. Keith has reported the problem with the steps leading from New England Lane to Military Road. Rother District Councillor: Not present. PO reported that Rother has set its budget which equates to an increase of £4.97 for a band 'D' property. Rother are proposing a multi-million pound redevelopment of the Town Hall site. There would be a saving of	

	heating cost in a new building. They will be investing £100 million into building social housing via a new company.	
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>There were no members of the public attending the meeting.</p>	
7	<p>Matters arising from last minutes not covered elsewhere.</p> <p>Houghton Green. AD has been in contact with Tony Heritage who has been awaiting drier weather to use his machinery to cut the grass as the site has been too wet. Should hopefully soon be mown. AD to keep in contact with Tony Heritage.</p> <p>The Clerk had spoken to the school secretary regarding the primary school involvement and has sent a follow up email regarding with details for the school to consider. The Clerk to follow up if no response from school</p> <p>The Clerk reported that following the reporting online of the overgrown and mud covered footpath at The Forge and Sandrook she had received a response from ESCC highways that the steward had visited the site and did not consider that there was a problem. Both cases had been closed. The clerk had responded by email to this and explained that the foot paths had been restricted over time from their previous wider width by overgrowing grass. KG asked that the Clerk forward him the details and he would pass them on for further investigation.</p> <p>The Clerk had not heard from Rye Foreign regarding any response from ESCC highways regarding the proposed speed signs.</p>	<p>AD</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
8	<p>Correspondence:</p> <p>The Clerk had been emailed by Sally-Ann Hart. She and other local MP's have been lobbying to extend the period in which council meetings can be carried out remotely. She considered that the deadline should be extended. NALC and other organisations have also been lobbying for this. Playden PC May council meeting is before the 7th May deadline. The council is dependant upon the WI Hall being opened for meetings. KG mentioned that the County Council would have to spend a lot of extra money to hire places big enough to cope with the social distancing rules that will be in place at that time. The exemption to have face to face meetings was set last March when it was considered that normality would have returned by May 21.</p>	
9	<p>Planning.</p> <p>Applications.</p> <p>RR/2021/43/P</p> <p>Hoad Cottage, Randolphins Lane, Playden TN31 7PR</p> <p>New first floor addition with rear facing balcony, weatherboarding cladding to property, new double car-port.</p> <p>This application had been discussed via email as the deadline for comment was prior to this council meeting. The councillors decided that they had no objection.</p>	

	<p>Appeals: W/4001557 Shellfield : Planning In Principle for 9 houses. Comments made to Inspectorate. Awaiting decision.</p> <p>Outcomes RR/2020/2279/P Brookgate, Folkstone Road, Playden/East Guldeford, TN31 7PB Demolition of existing dwelling. Proposed replacement one and a half storey chalet style dwelling and detached garage (alternative to RR/2018/1622/P). Refused.</p> <p>Ongoing</p> <p>RR/2020/1054/P Herons, New England Lane, Playden TN31 7NT Construction of new timber garden workshop / office with outside patio area. Undecided</p>	
10	<p>Accounts</p> <p>a) Expenditure: Website hosting: £144.00 PWLB: £86.41 paid by direct debit. Clerks wages and expenses for the year 1 March 2020 to 28 February: Wages: £2,598.75, Expenses: £332.93.</p> <p>b) Income. None.</p>	
11	<p>Parish Councillors reports. There were no additional reports.</p>	

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.22pm

THE DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING 1st April 2021.
(Expected to be by remote means in accordance with and dependant on the latest Government guidance on the continuing Coronavirus pandemic.)

Signed:

Chairman

Date: