

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 1st April 2021 at 7.30 p.m.

Present:

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

East Sussex County Councillor: Cllr Keith Glazier

Rother District Councillor: Not present

Members of the Public: 3

	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. David Stone.	
2	Declarations of interest on items on the agenda: None	
3	To approve the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on 4th March 2021: The minutes were unanimously approved and will be signed later by PO.	
4	Neighbourhood Watch. Orla Lindsey (PCSO) attended the meeting. The Clerk had notified her of the recent theft of flowers from graves in Playden churchyard. Orla and the other PCSO have added this area onto their circuit. Orla had met and spoken to people in the churchyard when she had visited. Orla reported that she has been asked for a regular update report from other Parish/Town councils in addition to Playden's request and she will be discussing with her Inspector what she can provide. TL mentioned the ongoing nuisance of noisy motor bikes which on sunny days can be heard from early morning at first light up to late evening. Some exhaust systems appear from the noise emitted to have been adapted. There are also too many bikes speeding through the villages. Orla said that the police are aware that this is of concern to local residents but they could not reach the areas of reports in time.	
5	Reports from visiting Councillors: East Sussex County Councillor: Cllr Keith Glazier. Keith reported that the vaccination program is progressing well with a good take-up rate amongst those eligible. Electioneering for the forthcoming May elections can now start subject to Covid restrictions. Keith met with James from ESCC Highways regarding the ongoing problems with the footpaths and pot holes and had also asked him to	

	<p>drive down Houghton Green Road where there are now further holes which are becoming deeper and require repairs. The Clerk highlighted that there was a root of a woody plant growing out of the footpath and this was now a trip hazard and needs to be removed.</p> <p>Rother District Councillor: Not present.</p> <p>PO reported that Rother DC are investing funds to buy further accommodation to house local homeless individuals and families. This will be cheaper long term than paying rent to private landlords to provide this.</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>There were three members of the public present but no additional issues to those on the agenda were raised at this point.</p>	
7	<p>Matters arising from last minutes not covered elsewhere.</p> <p>The Forge hedge has now been cut back fully. The Clerk, AD and the Clerk of Rye Foreign had walked down Rye Road and noted various problems mentioned above to KG.</p> <p>Houghton Green.</p> <p>Tony Heritage has mown the grass now the conditions are drier and the Clerk ordered a selection of native saplings from Hope Grove nursery at Tenterden. These have now been planted by AD, his sister and LV and rabbit guards put around them. The Clerk is to order the native wild flower seeds to sow on the green in selected areas.</p>	
8	<p>Speed sensors and cameras.</p> <p>The Chairman and Clerk of Rye Foreign had attended to discuss with the Playden Councillors the information they had received from East Sussex Highways regarding the speed sensors which had been considered for joint purchase at the last Playden Parish Council meeting. The flashing signs cannot be used to enforce a speed limit but are to be used as an ‘educational’ tool. They can only be used for three months at a time and there would be extra costs for installation and ongoing licenses. There were also quite a few restrictions on where the device can be installed i.e how close to a road junction. The Councillors agreed that due to the restrictions of use these may not be the best use of funds. It was agreed that Rye Foreign should contact East Sussex Highways to request a traffic survey and Playden parish Council would contribute towards the cost. The Clerk to look at the planning history for the hospital development and the Shellfield applications to get any traffic reports already carried out. AD mentioned that a client recently commissioned a report for another road in Rye and that had cost £600. It was acknowledged that the timing of the monitoring was important.</p>	
9	<p>Correspondence:</p> <p>No additional correspondence received</p>	

10	<p>Planning.</p> <p>Applications.</p> <p>RR/2020/2532/P Tide View, New England lane, Playden, TN31 7NT Demolish entrance porch and replace with new single storey side extension. Construction of new single storey studio building. Proposed alterations to main house including extending lower ground floor to house new garage: and cladding existing elevations</p> <p>Due the timescale to comment on this proposal the Councillors had discussed this application prior to this meeting and objected to the application on the grounds of the instability of the cliff and the neighbours' amenity.</p> <p>RR/2021/357/O Tide View, New England lane, Playden, TN31 7NT Certificate of lawfulness for the proposed erection of a single storey garage extension at lower ground level and erection of a single storey detached studio building. This is not for public consultation but appears on the planning website.</p> <p>RR/2021/281/P. White Willows, Houghton Green Lane, Playden, TN31 7PJ Detached 4 bay garage & attic games room/office and enlargement of existing parking hardstanding. The Council support this application</p> <p>Appeals: W/4001557 Shellfield : Planning In Principle for 9 houses. Comments made to the Inspectorate. Awaiting decision.</p> <p>Outcomes</p> <p>RR/2021/43/P Hoad Cottage, Randolphins Lane, Playden TN31 7PR New first floor addition with rear facing balcony, weatherboarding cladding to property, new double car-port. Refused.</p> <p>RR/2020/1054/P Herons, New England Lane, Playden TN31 7NT Construction of new timber garden workshop / office with outside patio area. Withdrawn</p>	

	<p>Ongoing</p> <p>None</p>	
10	<p>Accounts</p> <p>a) Expenditure: Reimburse the Clerk for the following: Hopes Grove Nurseries: £89.67 Tree guards: £13.98 Website domain name renewal: £19.19 SLCC membership:£80.00</p> <p>Total: £202.84</p> <p>Ken Heritage Agricultural Contractor: £250.00 ESALC subscription £75.16 plus RALC subscription £16.40 Total £91.56.</p> <p>Clerks wages and expenses – Carried forward</p> <p>All approved.</p> <p>b) Income. 1st precept payment of £2,500 due in April</p>	
11	<p>Parish Councillors reports. There were no additional reports. AD reported that the Julie Ramus (Rye Foreign Clerk) is going to organise filling in the hole at the side of the tarmac area which leads to the entrance of the road down to the church.</p>	

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.45pm

THE DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING 6th May 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: