

# PARISH COUNCIL OF PLAYDEN, EAST SUSSEX

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## Minutes of the Council Meeting Held on 5<sup>th</sup> December 2019 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:** 1

	Item	Action
1	<b>To accept apologies for absence:</b> Sally-Ann Hart (S-A H) (Rother District Council)	
2	<b>Declarations of interest on items on the agenda:</b> None	
3	<b>To approve the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting 7<sup>th</sup> November 2019:</b> The minutes were unanimously approved and signed by the Chairman.	
4	<b>Neighbourhood Watch Report:</b> No additional information to report this month.	
5	<p><b>Reports from visiting Councillors:</b></p> <p><b>East Sussex County Council Cllr Keith Glazier:</b>            KG reported that the ESCC highways team had marked up 7 potholes in the Houghton Green area.            ESCC are awaiting the settlement amount from central Government. The timing of this will depend on the results of the General Election next week. If there is no change he anticipates that it will be confirmed before Christmas, if there is a change of minister after Christmas and if there is a change of party as late as March.            There has been an extra £1.5 billion promised of which £1 billion is new money.            ESCC will be increasing the Council Tax by the maximum 3.99% (including the maximum additional rise for additional social care funding). This equates to an additional £57 on band D.            There is also an additional 350 million to help bring road repairs up to date. There may also be an additional £2 million. This could be used for drainage, white lining, dropped curbs, disability access etc.</p> <p><b>Rother District Council:</b>            S-A Hart was not present to provide an update.            PO reported that at the last cabinet meeting it was agreed to set up a housing development company.</p>	

	<p>There would be no delivery of leaflets regarding the rubbish collection dates for Christmas, New Year and 2020. These can be accessed through the internet and 'My Alerts' if signed up for this.</p> <p>TL queried that Peasmarsh parish had been asked to take 40 new houses. PO replied that as at Iden, Peasmarsh had proposed development land. There is no allocation for Playden to take more housing.</p>	
6	<p><b>Public adjournment: To suspend the meeting for any public statements. Members of the public are encouraged to attend the meeting and raise any pertinent issues at this point.</b></p> <p>The state of the pavement and overgrown vegetation alongside the main road into Rye (A268) was discussed. It was noted that the landowner one side had cleared and fenced the area adjoining the payment but there was still some obstruction the other side at the higher level pavement.</p>	
7	<p><b>Matters arising from the minutes of 5<sup>th</sup> November 2019:</b></p> <p>TL had noted that following the letter sent to Playden Forge the hedgerow had been trimmed back.</p>	
8	<p><b>Correspondence:</b></p> <p>The Clerk had been asked for confirmation of the council's decision regarding the grass cutting options for next year when Rother DC stop funding the additional four cuts. The Clerk proposed that the council should pay the additional £160 per annum to East Sussex County Council to pay for this. If the parish council wished to employ an alternative contractor the council would have to ensure the contractor met a very full list of requirements (including health and safety, levels of competencies, liability insurance, methodology) set out by ESCC. The time cost it would take to check this would be disproportionate when compared with the cost above. The council agreed unanimously to employ ESCC to carry out the full six cuts yearly. The Clerk to confirm to ESCC.</p>	Clerk
11	<p><b>Planning.</b></p> <p><b>Applications.</b></p> <p>RR/2019/2482/P: Saltbarn, Saltbarn Lane, Playden TN31 7PH Variation of condition 2 imposed on RR/2019/334/P to allow amendments to design of extension. No objection</p> <p><b>Outcomes</b></p> <p>None</p> <p><b>Updates on current applications in progress</b></p> <p>None</p>	
12	<p><b>Accounts</b></p> <p>a) Expenditure – to approve the following expenditure: i) Clerks wages and expenses. Carried forward.</p> <p>b) Income. None.</p>	
13	<p><b>Councillors reports.</b></p> <p>TL handed over The Playden Tenement Analysis and footpath information which he had received from Marion Lovell. PO borrowed one of the</p>	

	Tenement Analysis volumes to look at. The other documents were deposited in the locked Parish cabinet.	
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There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.05pm

**THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD AT THE W.I. HALL ON:  
THURSDAY 2020**

Signed:

Chairman

Date: