

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 October 2020 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 3rd September 2020: The minutes were unanimously approved and were signed later by PO.	
4	Neighbourhood Watch Report The Neighbourhood Watch coordinator for Playden has moved. General crime is still down but rural crime continues with the theft of quadbikes etc.	
5	Reports from visiting Councillors: East Sussex County Council: Cllr Keith Glazier: KG gave a shortened report due to the time constraints of the Zoom meeting. ESCC meetings continue to be carried out remotely (at least to May 2021) and attendance had increased. There is a cabinet meeting tomorrow to discuss ESCC budget. The aim is to not to make any further cuts to services. KG had driven round the back roads to check on the pothole situation. Potholes should continue to be reported. He had noticed many cars parked in Military Road and around Playden school. KG also confirmed that Civil Parking Enforcement has started in Rye. SGN gas main works in New Winchelsea Road. These are now going ahead with monitored traffic management (traffic lights) instead of the original full road closure.	

	<p>Cllr Glazier left the meeting.</p> <p>PO commented that Rother DC virtual meetings posted on UTube had attracted 20 views (18 more than usual).</p> <p>PO reported that Rother DC had set up ‘Alliance Homes Rother Ltd’ to build more houses.</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>One member of the public had contacted the Clerk to be sent an invite to the meeting. Unfortunately he encountered problems with sound connection and could not take part. The Clerk had already received an email with his comments and passed these onto the Councillors to read.</p> <p>Firstly he had commented on the appeal of the planning application for the Shellfield site. Secondly he had proposed that a bench be put somewhere in the Parish in memory of a resident who had recently died. The Councillors considered that this was not a council matter and there was no suitable place owned by the Council. The Clerk to email the council’s response following the meeting.</p> <p>Another member of the Public (who regularly attended meetings pre Covid) had contacted the Clerk regarding the tree work being carried out at Houghton Green and was interested in the Parish Council’s plans following this work. She proposed that any additional nature friendly tree and shrub planting should include Playden school and children as this would enhance engagement and knowledge of the countryside.</p>	
7	<p>Matters arising from last minutes not covered elsewhere.</p> <p>Black Cat Speed Sensor. The Clerk had received an email from Peasmarsh Parish Council welcoming Playden Parish Council’s commitment to join them and others in purchasing this equipment. Peasmarsh PC are currently awaiting feedback from Catsfield Parish Council who have already bought and using one.</p> <p>The Clerk has been notified by ESCC Highways that they will contact the owner of Playden Forge regarding the overgrown hedge blocking the public footpath following their inspection of the site.</p> <p>The Ash Tree remedial work has now been completed at Houghton Green. AD and the Clerk had visited on the last afternoon and an extra couple of low branches were removed.</p> <p>The Clerk has been in contact with the Sussex Wildlife Trust regarding guidance on managing the Houghton Green triangle for natural biodiversity. They are sending the Clerk useful information regarding this.</p>	

	The Clark (in addition to KG reporting last month) has officially reported on the ESCC Highways website the pothole near the entrance to DS's drive.	
8	<p>Correspondence:</p> <p>The Clerk had received information from Rother DC regarding the options for additional grass cutting. The Clerk to add this to the agenda for discussion at the November meeting.</p>	
12	<p>Rother DC Local Plan.</p> <p>Following the last council meeting AD had sent out amendments he suggested to the parish map and the Clerk had sent out the completed parish questionnaire. The Councillors to give final agreement by 9th October and the Clerk to email to Rother DC.</p>	All Councillors/ Clerk
13	<p>NALC Consultation on the Government's proposed planning changes.</p> <p>The Clerk had sent on an email to the Councillors from NALC requesting any comments. The Councillors to provide any comments they may have to the Clerk.</p>	All Councillors
14	<p>Planning.</p> <p>Applications. RR/2020/1572/P PLAYDEN / EAST GULDEFORD DEL River Rother - Land at, (relating to project known as Folkestone to Cliff End Schemes - Rother Tidal Walls East), Rye/Playden/East Guldeford/Camber/Icklesham Improvement of the existing linear flood embankments and construction of a realigned section of embankment at Camberfield for the creation of new inter-tidal habitat. The Council has no objection to the planned works.</p> <p>Appeals: W/4001557 Shellfield : Planning In Principle for 9 houses.</p> <p>This has been logged as an appeal by Rother DC but has not appeared on The Planning Inspectorate website for comment. The Council will comment when this is possible.</p> <p>Outcomes:</p> <p>RR/2020/1049/P Cairnwell Houghton Lane, Playden TN31 7QB Demolition of existing bungalow and garage. Construction of new one storey dwelling. Conditional approval</p> <p>RR/2020/1185/P Brookgate, Folkestone Road, Playden/East Guldeford TN31 7PB</p>	

	<p>Proposed replacement 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> <p>RR/2020/1276/P Peace & Plenty, Rye Road, Playden TN31 7UL Subdivision of existing dwelling to form a one bedroom cottage with associated parking and garden (alternative to planning permission RR/ 2018/2283/P.) Undecided</p>	
	<p>Accounts</p> <p>a) Expenditure – The following expenditure was approved:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Clerks wages and expenses – carried forward. ii) Fernshire Tree Services £2,880 iii) Donation to Playden Church for churchyard maintenance £600 iv) Donation to Rother Rural Trust £200 v) Donation to Rye food bank £100. <p>b) Income. Half yearly percent of £2,500 received.</p>	
10	<p>Parish Councillors reports. There were no reports.</p>	

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.40pm

THE DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING 5th November 2020.
(Expected to be by remote means in accordance with and dependant on the latest Government guidance on the continuing Coronavirus pandemic.)

Signed:

Chairman

Date: