

# PARISH COUNCIL OF PLAYDEN, EAST SUSSEX

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## Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> May 2022 at 7.30 p.m.

### **Present:**

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

**East Sussex County Councillor:** Cllr Keith Glazier (KG)

**Rother District Councillor:** Not present

**Members of the Public:** 0

	Item	Action
1	<b>To accept apologies for absence:</b> Rother DC Cllr Lizzy Hacking was unable to attend due to helping with the local elections in Hastings.	
2	<b>Declarations of interest on items on the agenda:</b> PO in respect of the application for Aldie House. Declarations of Interest forms were passed to the councillors for completion	
3	<b>Election of the Chairman and signature of the Declaration of Acceptance of office. <i>Chaired by the Clerk.</i></b> Paul Osborne was proposed by Tony Lenihan and seconded by David Stone. Agreed by the council. The Declaration of Acceptance of Office was signed.	
4	<b>Election of the Vice Chairman.</b> Tony Lenihan was proposed by Alan Dickinson and seconded by David Stone. Agreed by the Council.	
5	<b>To approve the minutes of the Parish Council 7<sup>th</sup> April 2022:</b> The minutes were unanimously approved and signed by PO.	
6	<b>Matters arising from the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> April 2022.</b> The Clerk is still awaiting the quote from Care Signs for a footpath information board. The Clerk had received information on the current work of the Rother Rural Trust which she passed onto the councillors.	
7	<b>Neighbourhood Watch.</b> No report.	
8	<b>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></b> There were no public members in attendance.	

9	<p><b>Correspondence:</b>  The Clerk had been notified by the specialist insurance broker that the Parish Council’s Insurer has withdrawn from the market and therefore the insurance will not renew with this insurer at 1<sup>st</sup> June 2022. The councillors went through the form the Clerk had received to obtain a quote with the broker’s new insurer and policy. The Clerk to send this through to the broker and will let the councillors know the new premium once received. It is anticipated that the cost will have increased considerably as the council had been tied in to a low rate for the last 3 years. Premium rates have gone up during this period and insurers have been leaving the market resulting in less competition.</p>	Clerk
10	<p><b><u>Planning.</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Applications.</u></b></p> <p><b>RR/2022/706/P</b>  Boonsfield Farm, Grove Lane, Playden, TN31 7QA  Internal re-ordering and some external upgrades to enhance the buildings appearance, look and sustainability.</p> <p>The Council discussed and are supportive of the application</p> <p><b>RR/2022/423/P</b>  The Steps, New England Lane, Playden, TN31 7NT  Creation of outdoor pool, including outbuilding and perimeter wall.</p> <p>The Council discussed and are supportive of the application subject to the neighbour’s amenity and archaeological conditions.</p> <p><b>RR/2021/2911/P</b>  Aldie House, Saltbarn Lane, Playden, TN31 7PH  Change of use and conversion of existing garage into holiday accomodation  The council discussed and still have concerns as already noted on the earlier application below.</p> <p><b><u>Ongoing:</u></b></p> <p><b>RR/2021/2857/P</b>  Aldie House, Saltbarn Lane, Playden, TN31 7PH  Extension to and conversion of existing barn (outbuilding) into a 2 bedroom dwelling.  Undecided. Council comments made.</p> <p><b><u>Outcomes.</u></b></p> <p><b>RR/2022/356/P</b>  Firs Orchard, Playden Lane, Playden, TN31 7EZ  Addition of balcony leading from the front bedroom at first floor level.  Conditional approval.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>

	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Appeals</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">None</p>	
11	<p><b>Accounts</b></p> <p>a) Expenditure – to approve the following expenditure  Clerks salary : carried forward.  WI Hall: £200 hire costs not paid during covid pandemic. To assist Playden WI to maintain Hall.  Payment of £600 towards annual maintenance costs (mowing and tree work) of St Michael’s Church Playden churchyard which also acts as the civil parish cemetery.</p> <p>b) Income.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">None.</p> <p>The Councillors discussed and agreed the following expenditure for payment next month:</p> <p>A contribution of £200 to the Rother Rural Trust which supports people in need in the local Rother rural area.</p>	
11	<p><b>Parish Councillors reports.</b></p> <p>TL mentioned that one of the seats in the Butt Field was leaning to one side. It was concluded that the bolts probably require tightening.</p>	

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.35pm

**THE DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING 9<sup>th</sup> June 2022 at 7.30pm.**

Signed:

Chairman

Date: