

PARISH COUNCIL OF PLAYDEN, EAST SUSSEX

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

Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 2nd February 2023 at 7.30 p.m.

Present:

Councillors: Mr T Lenihan (TL) acting Chairman, Mr D Stone (DS), Mr A. Dickinson (AD),

East Sussex County Council (ESCC) Councillor: Cllr Keith Glazier (KG)

Rother District Council (RDC) Councillor: Not present

Members of the Public: 3

	Item	Action
1	To accept apologies for absence: Mr P Osborne (PO) Rother District Councillor: Cllr Lizzy Hacking (LH)	
2	Declarations of interest on items on the agenda: None	
3	To approve the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on 5th January 2023: The minutes were unanimously approved and signed by TL.	
4	Reports from visiting Councillors: East Sussex County Councillor: Cllr Keith Glazier: KG will send a monthly update to the Clerk to distribute. In January there were 4,000 potholes reported, 2,000 awaiting filling. Due to the weather conditions these will be temporary repairs. Once weather improves permanent repairs can take place. East Sussex County Council budget for 2023/24: An increase of 2.99% plus 2% for social care. The alternative would be to find £15 million in savings. There is a shortage of care workers and it is difficult to recruit as companies such as Sainsbury's are now paying £12 an hour for shelf stackers. AD asked if this is a problem across all sectors and if the council is encouraging older workers to apply. KG replied that this is happening. TL raised the reported future use of Pontins at Camber to house refugees and Afghans. This is being considered. The Home Office will pay the accommodation costs but other costs would need to be paid by ESCC. Rother District Councillor: Not Present.	
5	Neighbourhood Watch. There has been no update received since the Area PCSO left. The Clerk is still awaiting details of meetings to be set up to talk to parish council	

	representatives. The councillors had not heard of any recent crimes in the parish.	
6	<p>Public adjournment: To suspend the meeting for any public statements. <i>The period allocated to this is a maximum of 15 minutes.</i></p> <p>A member of the public reported that there is brown tinged water coming out of the manhole covers and flowing down Houghton Lane which is contributing to the development of potholes in the Lane. They passed a drawing of Houghton Lane (with properties and water flow marked) to the Clerk so this can be reported to ESCC Highways.</p>	Clerk
7	<p>Matters arising from minutes of 6th January 2023 and not covered elsewhere.</p> <p>Following a public query regarding smokeless zones in Playden parish, the Clerk reported that they had found no reference to one. The Clerk had written to the Rother Planning Enforcement Officer regarding the continuing use of hardcore in the field next to High Bank in Houghton Lane. The Clerk read out their response. In summary no further action will be taken as the caravans and other items have been removed at their last visit in December and the hardcore track is regarded as necessary for the use of the field and is beginning to grass over.</p>	
8	<p>Correspondence:</p> <p>The date of the Coronation of King Charles III has been set as 6th May 2023 and there is an additional Bank Holiday on 8th May 2023. Voters will need to show ID (from a list of eligible documents) to vote in person in the May local elections.</p>	
9	<p><u>Planning.</u></p> <p><u>New Applications.</u></p> <p>None</p> <p><u>Ongoing:</u></p> <p>RR/2022/1611/P 115 Military Road, Rye tennis Club, Playden. TN31 7NY Outline application for the erection of a new covered structure to provide 3 new indoor tennis courts. Parish Council comments submitted Undecided</p> <p><u>Outcomes.</u></p> <p>RR/2022/2867/P Fuggles, Houghton Green Lane, Playden, TN31 7PL Proposed agricultural storage barn Refused</p>	

	<p>RR/2022/2758/T Oakfield, Rye Road, Playden, TN31 7UA T1 (Oak) – Reduce cracked limb by 3m, remove deadwood and reduce western leader by 2m. T2 (Oak) – Remove deadwood and reduce as deemed necessary. Approved</p> <p>RR/2022/2689/T Beacon House, The Oakfield, Rye Road, TN31 7UA T2 (0599) Oak reduction of western laterals and removal of deadwood. T3 (0597) Oak reduction of crown and lowest western leaders. Removal of deadwood. Approved</p> <p><u>Appeals</u></p> <p>None</p>	
12	<p>Accounts</p> <p>a) Expenditure – to approve the following expenditure Clerks salary : carried forward. The Clerk had received a quotation to cut the Houghton Green triangle of £420. This was agreed and will be paid when the work has been completed.</p> <p>b) Income.</p> <p>None</p>	
11	<p>Parish Councillors reports.</p> <p>None</p>	

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.00pm

THE DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING 2nd March 2023 at 7.30pm.

Signed:

Chairman

Date: