

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 6th April 2023 at 7.30 p.m.

Present:

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

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

Rother District Council (RDC) Councillor: Cllr Lizzy Hacking (LH)

Members of the Public: 4

	Item	Action
1	To accept apologies for absence: None	
2	Declarations of interest on items on the agenda: None	
3	To approve the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on 2nd March 2023: The minutes were unanimously approved and signed by PO.	
4	Reports from visiting Councillors: East Sussex County Councillor: Councillor: Cllr Keith Glazier. KG reported that seven manhole covers along Houghton Green Lane and Houghton Lane from Military Road through to Iden had been illegally removed. The public should continue to report any potholes. The ESCC highways contractor will change at the end of the month. The latest monthly newsletter/update will be sent to the Clerk. Rother District Councillor: Cllr Lizzy Hacking. LH is now the vice chair of the HR committee. The council is in discussion with Unison regarding staff pay and conditions. RDC are currently devolving ownership of some community spaces to town and parish councils. Camber parking charges. The proposed increase to £30 per day during the summer will go towards reducing the deficit incurred by RDC in staffing and maintaining the carpark. LH reminded everyone of the new requirement to show one of a range of acceptable IDs when voting in person on May 4 th . The state of the Jury's gap carpark was raised as deep ridges and potholes had developed. It was noted that this carpark is not run by RDC.	

5	<p>Neighbourhood Watch.</p> <p>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 for the Rye area.</p>	
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>It was raised that a dog walker had been fined £100 for walking her dog in Rye Cemetery on the wrong footpath. It was felt that the enforcement officers were being too heavy handed as it was unclear which path was the official path. PO mentioned that he had seen correspondence regarding this.</p> <p>Another member of the public mentioned that there were now ridges of gravel from potholes as well as gulleys and potholes along Houghton Lane. KG suggested that James (highways officer) should arrange a meeting to walk round parts of the parish and look at the problems. It was also mentioned that the field that had previously had old caravans and building rubbish accumulating in it had again had further building rubble taken into the field to continue that roadway across the field. The field had previously been cleared of the caravans and other items after the enforcement team had been alerted and had visited. The Clerk to contact the enforcement team again regarding the movement of more materials.</p> <p>Another parishioner raised again the issue of bonfires. He had done some more research and found that RDC do have general guidelines. These suggested that if a neighbours bonfire is affecting another household they should speak together to solve any problems. The resident suggested delivering a notes to all residents. This was discussed and as there were no specific problem with any household given and the parish is mainly made up of scattered housing and farms over a rural area it was agreed that the Clerk would prepare a wording to be agreed by the councillors which could be then put on the parish notice board and website.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
7	<p>Matters arising from minutes of 2nd March 2023 and not covered elsewhere.</p> <p>The clerk handed round an example of a coronation mug to be provided to the pupils of St Michael's Primary school, Playden – the handle of which had broke off in the post. It was decided to order a better quality mug after checking with Rye Foreign for their agreement to pay half the cost. The Clerk to confirm numbers of mugs and the revised cost to the councillors and Rye Foreign Parish Council.</p>	<p>Clerk</p>
8	<p>Correspondence:</p> <p>None</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>None</p> <p><u>Appeals.</u></p> <p>None</p> <p>It was raised by TL that he could not see yet the Council's comments regarding the proposed new house next to Swiss Cottage in Military Road. The Clerk to check if the comments are now appearing on the planning website.</p>	Clerk
10	<p>Accounts</p> <p>a) Expenditure – to approve the following expenditure:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Clerks wages and expenses – carried forward ii) Refund to Clerk of payment of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Website hosting for year (Diligence Digital) £120 Domain Name (123 Reg) £21.59 Total £141.59 iii) SLCC Subscription for 2023-24: £80.00 iv) ESALC (£63.02) and NALC (16.81) subscriptions for 2023-4 £79.83 v) Ken Heritage Agricultural Contractor (for annual mow of Houghton Green) £420 vi) East Sussex County Council (provision of additional grass cuts 2023-4) £200.40 <p>b) Income.</p> <p>Precept payment £2,500</p>	
11	<p>Parish Councillors reports.</p> <p>None</p>	

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.29pm

THE DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING 11th May 2023 at 7.30pm.

Signed:

Chairman

Date: