

STANSTED PARISH COUNCIL**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 1 OCTOBER 2018 AT STANSTED VILLAGE HALL, MALHOUSE ROAD, STANSTED AT 8.00 pm**

PRESENT:	Cllr Harry Bott	Chairman
	Cllr Mrs Polly Falconer	Vice-chairman
	Cllr Tom Brooker	
	Cllr Mrs Sheila Goodworth	
	Cllr Michael Osborne	
	Cllr Daren Sefer	
	Cllr Kevin Sparkes	
	Mrs Roxana Brammer	Clerk
In attendance	Cllr Harry Rayner	Kent County Council
	Cllr Robin Betts	Tonbridge & Malling Borough Council
	4 members of the public	

Item *Action point*
Minute no 2018/19/

1 APOLOGIES

243 All parish councillors present. Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Martin Coffin, Tonbridge & Malling Borough Council and from Mr Tom Sheldon, Stansted School Project Steering Group.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND ALTERATIONS TO THE REGISTER

244 None.

3 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 3 SEPTEMBER 2018

245 It was proposed by Cllr Sefer, seconded by Cllr Mrs Goodworth and agreed the minutes of the meeting held on 3rd September 2018 be signed as a true record.

4 MATTERS ARISING**246 C/09/18/Public Session: Margaret Macmillan Centre**

It was reported that Wrotham Parish Council agreed with the views of Stansted Parish Council and was willing to work together. It was also understood from Cllr Betts that he had checked the possibility of the Centre being listed as an asset of community value and that it fell within the criteria and would be possible.

5 WORLD WARS COMMEMORATIVE BOOK

247 The Chairman suspended the meeting to enable John Mattick to speak.

Mr Mattick outlined the programme for the exhibition in the Cloisters room at the

church. It would be in 3 sections – communities and people 1914 – 1945; recollections of local people and the flying bombs. He was still short of people who could man the exhibition for some sessions.

The Chairman thanked Mr Mattick and reconvened the meeting.

The Clerk would write to local schools and take group visit bookings.

6 STANSTED SCHOOL PROJECT UPDATE

- 248 Cllr Mrs Goodworth reported that the car parking requirements were being sorted out. The Leader grant application was being finalised and would be submitted shortly. Grange Park School had invited the Council to visit their Wrotham campus and of the dates available, it was decided to accept the invitation for Wednesday 17th October.

COUNTY AND BOROUGH COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

The Chairman suspended the meeting to allow Cllrs Rayner and Betts give their reports.

Cllr Rayner said that the consultation on bus transport would be considered, proposals made and consideration would be given as to how the bus re-evaluation would be communicated.

Cllr Betts said he would refer to the Local Plan under that item on the agenda.

The Chairman thanked Cllrs Rayner and Betts and reconvened the meeting.

7 PLANNING

a Applications

- 249 **i TM/18//01915/FL:** Winterdale Shaw, 20 Platt House Lane, Fairseat: Installation of domestic sized wind turbine to enable Winterdale Cheesemakers live work unit to operate carbon neutrally, off grid and also carbon neutral charging of electric delivery vehicles – additional information

After discussion, it was agreed to respond as follows:

Stansted Parish Council thanks the applicant for providing the additional information the Parish Council requested. Members have no objection to the proposals.

250 b Decisions

The decisions as listed on Appendix A were received.

c Enforcement

251 i Lucy's Barn Camping Site, Ash Lane

This had been reported to the enforcement officer, who had confirmed a camping licence had been applied for. A resident had reported that there was now a caravan at Jane's Farm, connected to utilities. This would be reported to the enforcement officer.

252 ii **Parson's Orchard, Parsons Lane, Stansted**

Cllr Mrs Goodworth reported that someone had been measuring up the land to station a caravan on the site. The enforcement officer would be informed there was activity on the site.

253 d **Appeals**

None.

e **Other Planning Issues**

254 i **Local Plan**

The Chairman suspended the meeting to enable Cllrs Rayner and Betts to speak.

Cllr Rayner said there was much opposition to the Tonbridge and Malling Local Plan. Wrotham, Ightham, St Mary Platt and Borough Green Parish Councils were coming together to oppose the 3,000 houses planned for Wrotham. The KALC Tonbridge & Malling Area Committee was arranging a briefing meeting on Wednesday 17th October. Cllr Betts said that the consensus from the ward was that they were against that part of the plan in that 40% of the housing need abutted Borough Green. 3,000 homes were proposed which was a disproportionate allocation and there was a lack of infrastructure to support such a number.

The Chairman thanked Cllrs Rayner and Betts for their contribution and reconvened the meeting.

Cllr Bott suggested that the Council support the other parishes and contribute to a fighting fund. Cllr Betts indicated that an independent transport assessment had already been commissioned. Cllr Mrs Falconer said that the Council should be against the scale of the development and investigate the costs of legal representation. The Clerk said that the KALC Area meeting clashed with the visit to Grange Park School, which would now be re-arranged.

8 FINANCE

255 a **Bank Balances**

The bank balances as listed on Appendix B were noted.

256 b **Payments made since Last Meeting**

The payments made since the last meeting as listed on the agenda were approved.

257 c **Accounts for Payment**

It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Goodworth, seconded by Cllr Sparkes and agreed the accounts for payment as listed on Appendix B be paid (cheques 892 - 895).

258 **d Draft Budget 2019/20**

The draft budget had been prepared with no reference to the school, although the final budget would include these figures. Councillors were asked to look at the draft, which would be brought to the next meeting.

9 **GRANT APPLICATIONS**259 **a Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal**

It was proposed by Cllr Bott, seconded by Cllr Mrs Falconer and agreed a grant of £50 be made under S 137 of the LGA 1972.

10 **MANAGEMENT OF THE COUNCIL'S LAND & PROPERTY****a Recreation Ground**

260 i. General Matters. It was reported a tree had been planted at the top of the field without permission. It was thought it was an unsuitable species and the landscape contractor would be asked to remove it.

261 ii. Hire of Ground. Nothing to report.

262 **b Car Park**

This was being dealt with by the School Project Steering Group.

263 **c Playpark**

Nothing to report.

264 **d War Memorial and Garden**

Nothing to report.

265 **e Telephone Kiosk**

Cllr Mrs Goodworth reminded Cllr Brooker that the Knitting Group was still waiting for his assistance in putting up the display.

266 **f Church Bank**

Nothing to report.

267 **g Village Green Land, Hatham Green Lane and Parsons Lane**

Nothing to report.

268 **h Brownes Bequest**

Nothing to report.

269 h **Notice Boards**

Nothing to report.

270 i **Land Maintenance Contract 2019/20**

It was agreed that the current contractor, Gavin Jones Ltd, be offered a rolling contract, subject to the removal of maintenance of the school site from the contract and a price review from 1 April 2019.

271 j **Registration of Land**

The Clerk would ask BTF Partnership for an update.

11 HIGHWAYS & TRANSPORT272 a **Public Rights of Way**

The Chairman suspended the meeting to allow Roy Barry to speak.

Mr Barry reported that the footpath from the war memorial was now clear. The path from Thriftwood to Labour-in-Vain Road had dilapidated stiles and a locked gate. The farmer would be asked to sort it out. The diversion of the footpath round the hedge at Buzzards, Hathem Green Lane was impossible for the public to walk because of the bank. David Munn of KCC had said it was now in the planning department. The footpath at Thriftwood was still obstructed. The temporary safety fence round the development at Plaxdale Green Farm had now been moved but the actual path needed strimming.

The Chairman thanked Mr Barry and reconvened the meeting.

273 b **Encroachment Working Party**

No update was given.

274 c **Litter**

Cllr Mrs Falconer said that stickers to go on residents' bins had been produced and would be circulated to all with the next issue of Parish News.

275 f **Any Other Highways or Transport Issues**

No issues were raised.

12 VILLAGE HALLS276 a **Stansted Village Hall**

Cllr Mrs Goodworth reported that the outside had been repainted and the interior would also be done.

277 **b Fairseat Village Hall**

Nothing to report.

13 POLICE MATTERS

278 Cllr Mrs Goodworth had nothing to report.

14 REPORTS ON MEETINGS ATTENDED BY COUNCILLORS AND CLERK

279 **a Parish Partnership Panel**

Cllr Sefer said the Panel had mentioned that the bottle banks would be removed once the new waste collection arrangements were in place and had talked about the Local Plan.

280 **b KALC Clerks' Conference**

The Clerk reported she had attended the Clerks' Conference which had included speakers on IT security and funding bids with business case development, among others.

15 CONSULTATION

281 No documents received.

16 CORRESPONDENCE

282 None.

17 REPORTS & CIRCULARS

283 None received.

18 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

284 No matters were raised.

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 9.50 pm

SignedChairman

On theday of2018