

STANSTED PARISH COUNCIL**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 8 MAY 2017 AT STANSTED VILLAGE HALL,
MALTHOUSE ROAD, STANSTED AT 8.15 pm**

PRESENT:	Cllr Harry Bott	Chairman	Except item 13
	Cllr Mrs Polly Falconer	Vice-chairman	In the chair item 13
	Cllr John Brooker		
	Cllr Mrs Sheila Goodworth		
	Cllr Michael Osborne		
	Cllr Daren Sefer		
	Cllr Kevin Sparks		
	Mrs Roxana Brammer	Clerk	
In attendance	Cllr Harry Rayner	Kent County Council	
	4 members of the public		

Item *Action point*
Minute no 2017/18/

1 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

37 It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Falconer, seconded by Cllr Mrs Goodworth and agreed Cllr Bott be Chairman for the year.

2 CHAIRMAN'S DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

38 Cllr Bott signed his declaration of acceptance of office before the Proper Officer of the Council.

3 ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

39 It was proposed by Cllr Bott, seconded by Cllr Osborne and agreed Cllr Mrs Falconer be Vice-chairman for the year.

4 VICE-CHAIRMAN'S DECLARATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

40 Cllr Mrs Falconer signed her declaration of acceptance of office before the Proper Officer of the Council.

5 APOLOGIES

41 All parish councillors present. Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Mrs Sarah Hohler, Kent County Council and Cllrs Martin Coffin and Robin Betts, Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council.

6 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND ALTERATIONS TO THE REGISTER

42 Cllr Bott declared a pecuniary interest in item 13, Stansted School, as an adjacent landowner.

7 APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES

43 a Parish Partnership Panel

Cllr Sefer

44 b KALC Tonbridge Area Committee

Cllrs Bott and Mrs Falconer.

45 c Police Liaison

Cllr Mrs Goodworth.

46 d Berry Housing Trust

The Trust's wish to appoint Mrs Yvonne Tisson as Trustee was approved.

8 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 3 APRIL 2017

47 It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Falconer, seconded by Cllr Sefer and agreed the minutes of the meeting held on 3rd April 2017 be signed as a true record.

9 MATTERS ARISING

48 No matters were raised.

As interested members of the public were present, it was agreed to vary the order of the agenda

10 PLANNING

49 a Applications

None received.

50 b Decisions

The decision as listed on Appendix A was received.

51 c Enforcement

None.

d Appeals

52 i Oak Tree Stables, Vigo Road, Fairseat

The site owner had appealed against the enforcement against breach of planning by the unauthorised engineering operation to create an area of hardstanding without planning permission. After discussion it was agreed to support the enforcement.

53 e **Other Planning Issues**

None

11 **FINANCE**54 a **Bank Balances**

The bank balances as listed on Appendix B were noted.

55 b **Cheques signed since Last Meeting**

None

56 c **Accounts for Payment**

It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Falconer, seconded by Cllr Bott and agreed the accounts for payment as listed on Appendix B be paid (cheques 816 - 820), with the addition of £136.50 Clive Stanley (cheque 821) and £23.88 to Tom Sheldon (822).

57 d **Accounts 2016/17**

It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Goodworth, seconded by Cllr Sparkes and agreed the accounts for the year to 31st March 2017 be adopted and signed by the Chairman and Responsible Financial Officer.

58 h **Chairman's Allowance**

It was proposed by Cllr Falconer, seconded by Cllr Mrs Goodworth and agreed the Chairman's Allowance for the year be £50.

12 **GRANT APPLICATIONS**59 a **St Mary's Parochial Church Council**

The Parochial Church Council had requested a grant of £400 to top up the amount of grant in the Council's budget of £1,100 for maintenance of the churchyard. It was agreed to defer any decision to a future meeting.

13 **STANSTED SCHOOL**

60 Having declared a pecuniary interest, Cllr Bott left the meeting and Cllr Mrs Falconer took the chair. She suspended the meeting to allow Mr Sheldon to speak.

Mr Sheldon said the Steering Group would be seeking approval from the Council at its meeting on 5th June to make a bid to purchase the school. He would prefer to do this before any consultation was carried out for borrowing approval.

The Vice-chairman thanked Mr Sheldon and reconvened the meeting. Cllr Bott returned to the meeting and resumed the chair.

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

- 61 i. General Matters. Nothing to report.
62 ii. Hire of Ground. Nothing to report.

63 b Playpark

The replacement Whirlybird seats were on order.

64 c War Memorial and Garden

Nothing to report.

65 d Telephone Kiosk

Cllr Mrs Goodworth said that the Knitting Group was still waiting for Tom Brooker's assistance in putting up the display.

66 e Church Bank

Cllr Osborne said he would look at the telephone box.

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67 f Village Green Land, Hatham Green Lane and Parsons Lane

Nothing to report.

68 g Notice Boards

It was reported the Village Hall Committee had no objection to the new notice board being mounted on the wall of the hall.

15 BROWNE'S BEQUEST

69 Nothing to report.

16 HIGHWAYS & TRANSPORT**70 a Bexley Cycle Club**

The Clerk reported that Bexley Cycle Club's website said that their August event included an ascent of Stansted Hill, not a descent.

71 b Parking

A complaint had been made from a resident of Labour-in-Vain about the parking for the boot fair on Wrotham Hill. Cars were parked all over the A20 and were now coming up the lane. Cllr Bott said he would be seeing the landowner of the field. Cllr Coffin would be asked to ensure that the Borough Council imposed parking tickets on all cars..

17 VILLAGE HALLS

72 a Stansted Village Hall

Cllr Mrs Goodworth said that the May Fair would be held the following Saturday.

73 b Fairseat Village Hall

Nothing to report.

18 POLICE MATTERS

74 a Police Representative's Report

Cllr Mrs Goodworth said that there had still been no contact with the police. The Chief Constable's office had acknowledged the Council's letter and had said the local rural inspector would be dealing with it. It was understood from Cllr Rayner that the subject was on the agenda for the next meeting of the KALC Tonbrige and Malling Area Committee. AS neither of the representatives could attend, Cllr Sefer agreed to go.

75 b Neighbourhood Watch

Cllr Mrs Goodworth had nothing to report.

19 CONSULTATION

76 No documents received.

20 CORRESPONDENCE

77 None.

21 REPORTS & CIRCULARS

78 None received.

22 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

79 No matters were raised.

SUSPENSION OF MEETING FOR PUBLIC SESSION

Mrs Tisson said she would like to see the provision of a public access defibrillator and offered to research costs.

The Chairman thanked councillors and members of the public for attending and closed the meeting at 9.40 pm

SignedChairman

On theday of2017