NEWINGTON (FOLKESTONE AND HYTHE) PARISH COUNCIL

Parish Council Meeting held in The Barn on Monday 11 March 2019 at 7.00pm

MINUTES

1.0 Present: Cllrs Sally Coleman (Chairman), Kevin Golding (Vice Chairman), Sue Smith, Robin Thornby, John Neale **Note Taker**: Kevin Golding.

2.0 Declarations of Interest

KG reported that he would be unable to be involved in the discussion regarding the appointment of the grounds maintenance contract.

3.0 Agree and sign the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on 28 January 2019

The minutes were agreed as a true and accurate record and signed by the Chairman.

4.0 Matters Arising

Councillor Golding reported that he had contacted the ElecLink contractors and noise barriers had been introduced around the generator at the security hut in the field adjacent to the King George V Playing Field, however this had not resolved all the noise issues and a further intervention had resulted in further noise barriers being recently installed around the large pump in the field.

5.0 Open Session - For Parishioners

A parishioner commented on the clearance of the pavement edges between Newington and the Motorway roundabout.

A concern was raised about the pile of chippings by the allotment, which were partially blocking the pavement, although it was noted that they were being moved by the allotment holders, so should hopefully not be there for long.

A concern was raised about the damaged pavement and kerb opposite the freight reject exit from the Tunnel. It was agreed to raise this with ElecLink, as it was adjacent to their temporary entrance.

6.0 ElecLink

Councillor Golding reported that in addition to that already reported under Matters Arising, the contractors were still expecting to be clear of the King George V Playing Field in time for the Newington Summer Fete.

7.0 Reports from KCC Councillor Susan Carey, SDC Councillor David Godfrey and Community Warden Gary Harrison

KCC Councillor Susan Carey and SDC Councillor David Godfrey presented reports and a report from Community Warden Gary Harrison was read by the Chairman.

8.0 Planning

No planning applications had been received.

9.0 Finance

The payments on the financial statement were agreed subject to the date on the statement being corrected to reflect the current date.

It was agreed for the grounds maintenance contract to be let to Colin Griggs and for the Clerk to formally write to him to confirm the decision on the clerk's appointment.

10.0 Recruitment of Parish Clerk

It was noted that Cathy Skinner had resigned from the position of Clerk to the Parish Council for personal reasons and the chairman agreed to confirm the procedure to appoint a new clerk.

11.0 Next Meeting

The Annual Meeting of the Parish Council followed by the Annual Parish Meeting will be held at 7.00pm on Monday 20 May at The Barn, Newington Road, Newington, CT18 8AZ

12.0 Close - There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.15pm