

**STANSTED PARISH COUNCIL****MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 6 NOVEMBER 2017 AT FAIRSEAT VILLAGE HALL, VIGO ROAD, FAIRSEAT AT 7.30 pm**

<b>PRESENT:</b>	Cllr Harry Bott	Chairman
	Cllr John 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
	Mr Tom Sheldon	Stansted School Project Steering Group
	Mr Andy Yallop	Stansted School Project Steering Group
	1 member of the public	

**Item** *Action point*  
Minute no 2017/18/

**1 APOLOGIES**

239 An apology for absence was received from:

Cllr Mrs Polly Falconer                      Work commitment

It was proposed by Cllr Brooker, seconded by Cllr Mrs Goodworth and agreed this apology be accepted.

**2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND ALTERATIONS TO THE REGISTER**

240 None.

**3 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 3 OCTOBER 2017**

241 It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Goodworth, seconded by Cllr Sefer and agreed the minutes of the meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2017 be signed as a true record.

**4 MATTERS ARISING**

242 No matters were raised.

The Chairman suspended the meeting to allow Cllr Rayner to speak.

Cllr Rayner said that the County Council had to reduce their budget deficit for the next financial year and the subsidised bus services were under review. He thought the rural evening and weekend buses would be cut, although some money might be made available to help the worst affected communities.

The Chairman thanked Cllr Rayner and reconvened the meeting.

**5 PLANNING**

**a Applications**

- 243 **i TM/17/02884/FL:** Whitehouse, Tumblefield Road, Stansted: Demolition of existing rear conservatory and construction of replacement single storey rear extension with raised decking and steps, stone cladding to front elevation and buried LGP storage tank in front garden

No objection.

- 244 **ii TM/17/02887/FL:** Almond Cottage, Malthouse Road, Stansted: Demolition of sunroom, first floor rear extension and minor alterations

No objection

- 245 **iii TM/17/03013/FL:** Goodman's Barn, Tumblefield Road, Stansted: Lawful Development Certificate Proposed: creation of access onto resurfaced existing hard standing and new access gate up to 2m in height

After discussion, it was agreed to object as follows:

Stansted Parish Council has considered this application. Members would draw the attention of Highways to the fact that the drive in front of the house would no longer have 2 access points and that therefore a car accessing the 1 parking space here will have to reverse, either from the road into the drive or reverse out of the drive onto the road. Either manoeuvre could be dangerous to other road users, including vehicles, cyclists, horse riders and pedestrians. Members are also unsure of the reason for the additional entrance.

- 246 **iv TM/17/03089/TNCA:** Underpine Cottage, Vigo Road, Fairseat: Large Yew Tree and Pine Tree - trim overhanging branches

No objection.

247 **b Decisions**

The decisions as listed on Appendix A were noted.

**c Enforcement**

248 **i The Black Horse**

It was noted that there had been a breach of planning but that no further action would be taken as any application would have been granted.

249 **d Appeals**

None.

250 e **Other Planning Issues**

None.

**6 FINANCE**251 a **Bank Balances**

The bank balances as shown on Appendix B were noted. The Clerk reported that the money borrowed from the Public Works Loan Board had been deposited in the Council's bank account that morning.

252 b **Payments made since last Meeting**

It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Goodworth, seconded by Cllr Bott and agreed the payment made since the last meeting as set out on Appendix B be ratified.

253 c **Accounts for Payment**

It was proposed by Cllr Bott, seconded by Cllr Mrs Goodworth and agreed the account for payment as listed on Appendix B be paid (cheque 843)

**7 GRANT APPLICATIONS**254 a **Heart of Kent Hospice**

It was agreed that no grant be made.

**8 MANAGEMENT OF THE COUNCIL'S LAND AND PROPERTY**a **Recreation Ground**255 i **General Matters**

Nothing to report.

256 ii **Hire of Ground**

Gravesend Rotary Club had asked for use of the car park on 15<sup>th</sup> April for their annual bike ride and this was agreed. They had also reported that they had found out the Lions would be using it the following Sunday, but no formal request had been made.

257 iii **Medway Croquet Club**

The Club had written asking the Council to consider hosting one croquet lawn on the Recreation Ground. After discussion when several problems this might cause were raised, it was agreed Cllr Osborne contact the Club. investigate further and come back with a recommendation.

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258 **b Play Park**

Nothing to report.

259 **c War Memorial and Garden**

Nothing to report.

260 **d Telephone Kiosk**

Cllr Mrs Goodworth said the knitting group was a lot closer to being able to mount their display.

261 **e Church Bank**

Nothing to report.

262 **f Village Green, Hatham Green Lane**

Nothing to report.

263 **g Registration of Council's Land**

The Clerk reported that Colin Hall of BTF Partnership had some more investigation to do and was still working on it.

**9 BROWNES BEQUEST**

264 Colin Hall of BTF Partnership was drawing up a licence for Jack Saunders.

**10 HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORT**265 **a Public Rights of Way**

It was reported that the Council's suggestion for the diversion of the path at Buzzards in Hatham Green Lane would not be possible as the landowner would not agree.

266 **b Report from Encroachment Working Party**

Cllr Mrs Goodworth reported that they had met. They had to be realistic and the worst case was at Ocklynge. It was agreed the residents be approached again with photographic and other evidence and that Cllr Rayner be kept apprised.

266 **c Other Highways or Transport Issues**

None.

**11 VILLAGE HALLS**267 **a Stansted Village Hall**

Cllr Mrs Goodworth had nothing to report.

268 **b Fairseat Village Hall**

Nothing to report.

**12 POLICE MATTERS**

269 Cllr Mrs Goodworth said she had not heard from the PCSO.

**13 REPORTS ON MEETINGS**

270 **a Parish Partnership Panel**

Cllr Sefer said he had attended the last meeting.

271 **b KALC Finance Conference**

The Clerk had attended the Finance Conference. It had been mentioned that the Council Tax Support Grant would be phased out after the 2018/19 financial year.

**14 CONSULTATION DOCUMENTS**

272 None received.

**15 CORRESPONDENCE**

273 None.

**16 REPORTS AND CIRCLARS**

274 The reports and circulars as listed on the agenda were received.

**17 ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

275 No matters were raised.

**PUBLIC SESSION**

No matters were raised.

**CONFIDENTIAL SECTION**

**18 RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

276 It was proposed by Cllr Bott, seconded by Cllr Mrs Goodworth and agreed to exclude the press and public from the following item as it concerned a legal matter. Mr Sheldon and Mr Yallop were invited to remain.

**19 STANSTED SCHOOL**

277 Cllr Bott said that as the matter was now with the parties' solicitors, he felt he no longer had a pecuniary interest. He then suspended the meeting to allow Mr Sheldon give an update.

Mr Sheldon said that he and Mr Yallop had had a meeting with the Council's solicitor, who was now in touch with the solicitor acting for the Rochester Diocesan Board of Education. There was now a draft contract. A potential user of the building had approached him. He would call the steering group together.

The Chairman thanked Mr Sheldon and reconvened the meeting.

No further comments were made.

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 8.50 pm

Signed .....Chairman

On the .....day of .....2017