

**STANSTED PARISH COUNCIL****MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 7 DECEMBER 2015 AT FAIRSEAT VILLAGE HALL, VIGO ROAD, FAIRSEAT AT 8.00 pm**

**PRESENT:** Cllr Mrs Polly Falconer Vice-chairman  
 Cllr John Brooker  
 Cllr Mrs Sheila Goodworth  
 Cllr Michael Osborne  
 Cllr Daren Sefer  
 Cllr Kevin Sparkes

In attendance Cllr Martin Coffin Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council

**Item** *Action point*  
 Minute no 2015/16/

**1 APOLOGIES**

287 An apology for absence was received from Cllr Harry Bott, due to work commitments. This apology was accepted. Apologies for absence were also received from Cllr Mrs Sarah Hohler, Kent County Council; Cllr Robin Betts, Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council and from Mrs Roxana Brammer, Clerk to the Council.

**2 INTERESTS**

288 None.

**3 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 2 NOVEMBER 2015**

289 It was proposed by Cllr Sparkes, seconded by Cllr Sefer and agreed the minutes of the meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2015 be signed as a true record.

**4 MATTERS ARISING**

290 a The quote for replacing the bollards at Stansted Recreation Ground was subject to bank balances – the Clerk to be asked to check. Registration of land at Church Bank to be confirmed.

**COUNTY AND BOROUGH COUNCILLORS' REPORTS**

The Chairman suspended the meeting to enable the Borough Councillor give his report.

The meeting was then suspended to allow Cllr Coffin to make a report. He said that during the recent serious fire at Tower Garage the TMBC emergency plan had been successfully implemented and residents had been evacuated to the Hilltop Hotel. The damage to the site was so extensive that planning permission would most likely be needed to rebuild. The Thriftwood planning application would be discussed at the next planning meeting. Question of whether council tax was charged on statics to be raised.

The Chairman thanked Cllrs Coffin and reconvened the meeting.

## 5 PLANNING

### a Applications

- 291 i **TM/15/03657:** Oakwood Farm, Vigo Road, Fairseat: demolition of existing bungalow and construction of two semi-detached chalet bungalows.

No objections in principle, but concerns raised that oak trees on adjoining land at Manor Farm should be protected – possibility of TPOs to be raised with Liz Guthrie. Also suggested that existing roadside hedge should be retained to provide green screening to car parking at front. Also suggested that as this was a continuation of the Oakwood Farm development that a further S.106 payment should be made. Also that no further development rights should be allowed on Oakwood Farm.

- 292 ii **Plaxdale Green Farm:** environmental.

No comment.

### 293 b Decisions

The decisions as listed on Appendix A were received.

### c Enforcement

- 294 i **Cob Trees, Hatham Green lane**

Update required on replanting cob trees at Cob Trees. Also posts have been reinstated at front.

- 295 ii **White Rose House, Ash Lane**

Concern expressed over building works, especially in relation to trees.

### 296 d Appeals

None

### 297 e Other Planning Issues

None

## 6 FINANCE

### 298 a Bank Balances

In the Clerk's absence, the bank balances were unavailable. It was noted that payment of £250 for grazing on Brownes field had been received.

299 **b Cheques signed since Last Meeting**

None.

300 **c Accounts for Payment**

It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Falconer, seconded by Cllr Brooker and agreed the following accounts for payment be paid:

£90.80, HMRC

£1,849.32, Commercial Landscaping Services.

**7 FUNDING REQUESTS**

301 None.

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

302 i. General Matters. Mick Burt to be asked again to quote for maintaining the War Memorial and Memorial Garden. Quote received from Commercial Landscaping showing 20% increase on last year. Proposed by Cllr Mrs Falconer, seconded by Cllr Osborne that this should be accepted, with perhaps a tendering again next year.

303 ii. Hire of Ground. Permission for the annual Boxing Day hockey match was given..

304 iii. Posts. It was agreed to proceed, subject to bank balances.

305 **b Playpark**

Nothing to report.

306 **c War Memorial and Garden**

Planting ideas to be brought along to next meeting.

307 **d Telephone Kiosk**

Cllr Mrs Goodworth said they were waiting for Tom Brooker who was making a frame for the Knitting Club to mount their work.

308 **e Church Bank**

Ownership awaiting confirmation.

309 **f Village Green Land, Hatham Green Lane and Parsons Lane**

Nothing to report.

**9 BROWNE'S BEQUEST**

310 Nothing to report.

**10 STANSTED SCHOOL**

311 The papers had been sent to the Land Registry.

**11 HIGHWAYS & TRANSPORT**

**312 a The Herons, Vigo Road**

Cllr Mrs Hohler was dealing with this and she would be asked for an update.

**12 VILLAGE HALLS**

**313 a Stansted Village Hall**

Cllr Mrs Goodworth had nothing to report.

**314 b Fairseat Village Hall**

Nothing to report.

**13 POLICE MATTERS**

**315 a Police Representative's Report**

Cllr Mrs Goodworth had nothing to report.

**316 b Neighbourhood Watch**

Cllr Mrs Goodworth had nothing to report.

**14 BROADBAND**

317 In Cllr Bott's absence, there was no report.

**15 WORLD WAR I COMMEMORATIVE BOOKLET**

318 It was reported that the group was trying to set a date for a meeting in the New Year.

**16 CONSULTATION**

319 No documents received.

**17 CORRESPONDENCE**

320 None.

**18 ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

321 No matters were raised.

The Chairman thanked councillors for attending and closed the meeting at 9.03 pm

Signed .....Chairman

On the .....day of .....2016