

ASH-CUM-RIDLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 20 June 2019 at Hodsoil Street & Ridley Village Hall, Hodsoil Street, TN15 7LN commencing at 7.45pm

Present: Cllr M Brown
Cllr Mrs Brammer
Cllr Mrs Clark
Cllr Mrs Connell
Cllr F Cottee
Cllr S Glover (arrived 7.54pm)
Cllr Mrs Howie
Cllr J Kelly
Cllr I Mann
Cllr P Nightingale

In attendance: Alison de Jager – Parish Clerk
Cllr D Brazier – Kent County Council
Cllr G Pender – Sevenoaks District Council

- 7648/19 Apologies were received from Cllrs Mrs Clucas, Mrs Hobbs and J Scott (family engagement), Cllrs M Manley and V Ngwenya (holiday). The apologies and reasons for absence were accepted. District Councillor A Pett sent his apologies as he has a meeting at Sevenoaks District Council.
- 7649/19 Declarations Of Interest a. Declarations of Interest – Cllrs M Brown and Mrs Howie declared an interest in item 5a SE/19/0415 as both are friends of the applicant. Cllr J Kelly declared an interest in item 5a SE/19/01218 as he is a trustee of the Youth Centre.
b. No changes to the Register of Interests. Members were reminded that any alteration or new interests must be registered with the Monitoring Officer within 28 days.
- 7650/19 Dispensations Cllr M Brown requested a dispensation to be able to discuss planning application SE/19/0415: Ridley Farm as the applicant is a close family friend. Cllr Mrs Brammer PROPOSED that the dispensation is GRANTED. SECONDED: Cllr I Mann and AGREED.
- 7651/19 Minutes It was RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 16 May 2019 be approved and signed as a true record. PROPOSED: Cllr F Cottee SECONDED: Cllr Mrs Clark and UNANIMOUSLY AGREED.
(Cllr S Glover arrived 7.54pm)
- 7652/19 Planning a. Applications
SE/19/01343: The Royal Oak, Chapel Wood, Ash, TN15 7HT – Proposed single storey flat roof rear extension with roof lantern over; proposed side extension with pitched roof; proposed cold store to the rear; proposed 5m jumbrella to front garden. Cllr Mrs Connell PROPOSED that the Parish Council objects to the size of the proposed jumbrella which represents a significant change of character to the front of the building which will be detrimental to the street scene.
The Parish Council does not object to the building application as long as the amenities of local residents of The Mead and Ayelands are

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Planning

safeguarded and the conditions (numbers 2 and 3) imposed in the granting of planning permission for SE/18/02614/FUL are also re-iterated and attached to this planning application.

The Parish Council also requests that adequate sound proofing be used in the construction and that a condition is imposed whereby all rear doors and windows must be shut at 10.00pm in the interests of noise abatement. SECONDED: Mrs Brammer FOR: 9 AGAINST: 0 ABSTENTIONS: 1

SE/19/01405: Ridley Farm, Bunkers Hill Road, Ash, TN15 7EY – Demolition of existing barns and erection of two dwellings with associated parking amenity space and landscaping. Cllr F Cottee PROPOSED that the Parish Council does not object to this application as long as it does not conflict with local planning policy and to re-confirm that all permitted development rights for this site are withdrawn. This is a very prominent site and any landscaping conditions should be established very quickly. SECONDED: Cllr I Mann FOR: 3 AGAINST: 5 ABSTENTION: 2 the motion FALLS.

The Parish Council objects to this application on the grounds that it is inappropriate development in the Green Belt and overdevelopment of the site. Should planning permission be granted, the Parish Council requests re-confirmation that all permitted development rights for this site are withdrawn. This is a very prominent site and any landscaping conditions should be established very quickly.

SE/19/01218: New Ash Green Youth Centre, Ash Road, DA3 8JY – Erection of concrete storage shed. Cllr S Glover PROPOSED that the Parish Council does not object to this application as long as it does not conflict with local planning policy. SECONDED: Cllr P Nightingale FOR: 9 AGAINST: 0 ABSTENTIONS: 1

- b. Decisions
The decisions, as set out in Appendix A to Agenda A/06/19 were RECEIVED and NOTED.
- c. Appeals
The appeal, as set out in Appendix A to Agenda A/06/19 was NOTED.
- d. Enforcements
The enforcement information as set out in Appendix A to Agenda A/06/19 was NOTED.
- e. The minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 06 June 2019 were NOTED.

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Finance

- a. The current financial position and accompanying reports were NOTED.
- b. The cheques signed since the last meeting were authorised. PROPOSED: Cllr J Kelly SECONDED: Cllr P Nightingale and AGREED.
- c. The minutes of the meeting of the Finance Committee held on 14 May 2019 were NOTED.
- d. Cllr Mrs Brammer PROPOSED that a donation of £150.00 is awarded to the New Ash Green Youth Club to partially fund a paintballing trip. SECONDED: Cllr P Nightingale. Cllr J Kelly PROPOSED and amendment to increase the value of the award to £500.00 SECONDED: Cllr S Glover and UNANIMOUSLY AGREED. These funds will be drawn from the Youth Provision Reserves.
- e. Cllr Mrs Connell PROPOSED that a grant in the amount of £250.00 is awarded to West Kent Mediation under **Section 137 of LGA 1972**. SECONDED: Cllr I Mann and UNANIMOUSLY AGREED.
- f. Cllr J Kelly PROPOSED that a grant in the amount of £300.00 is awarded

- 7653/19 Finance to Citizens Advice North & West Kent under **Section 137 of LGA 1972.**
SECONDED: Cllr Mrs Brammer and **UNANIMOUSLY AGREED.**
- g. Grade II Listed Memorial in St Peter and St Paul's churchyard. This memorial is in need of renovation. Before the Parish Council gives consideration to contributing to this project, investigations will be made into available grants. This item is deferred pending the results for available grants.
- 7654/19 Sports Centre a. It was NOTED that the net meeting of the Sports Centre Management Committee will be held on 22 July 2019.
- 7655/19 Barnfield Park a. It was NOTED that the next meeting of the Liaison Group will be held on 01 July 2019.
- 7656/19 Northfield a. It was NOTED that the date for the next meeting of the Northfield Management Committee has not been set.
 b. Cllr Mrs Connell PROPOSED that a letter is sent to Dr G Cramp thanking him for allowing the Parish Council to copy all his information on deneholes and chalk wells on Northfield. **SECONDED:** Cllr I Mann and **UNANIMOUSLY AGREED.**
- 7657/19 Burial Ground a. The minutes of the Burial Ground Committee meeting held on 15 May 2019 were NOTED.
- 7658/19 Youth a. West Kent Communities – The Youth Club programme for the period ending 31 July 2019 was NOTED.
 Concerns were raised regarding young people riding a motorbike through the shopping centre and reports regarding the assault on the Baker.
 b. 8 – 12's - no report
- 7659/19 Highways a. Malthouse Road – during the recent unprecedented storms, there was severe flooding with around 2ft in the Malthouse. Cllr Mrs Brammer asked District Councillor D Brazier if he would be prepared to look into requesting the installation of drains at this location. Cllr D Brazier responded stating that the installation of drains would not have made any difference as this was an unusual event.

The meeting was suspended at 8.58pm to receive reports from the County and District Councillors.

The report from the County and District Councillors is attached to these minutes.

The meeting reconvened at 9.21pm

- 7660/19 Footpaths a. No report.
- 7661/19 Transport a. It was NOTED that the next meeting of Arriva and the Parish Councils will be held on 01 October 2019.
 b. A resident has reported that some of the bus drivers had been dumping bottles of urine about 50 yards from the bus terminus at Redhill Road. The Manger of Arriva Northfleet will speak to the drivers.
 c.

- 7662/19
Ash, Hodsoil
Street, Ash &
New Ash
Green
- a. Ash – no report.
 - b. Hodsoil Street – Cllr F Cottee advised that the village fete will be held on Sunday, and Holywell House are allowing use of some of their grounds to it will be a bigger event than usual and will include a dog show. The Pop-up Café is held on the third Thursday of the month and it would be useful to have some parish councillors in attendance. In August a garden show and cream tea will be held.
 - c. Ridley - Cllr Mrs Howie thanked Kent County Council for the installation of the drains in Bunkers Hill Road, reporting that they stood up to the heavy rainfall recently experienced with no flooding of the road. Some geese on Ridley Court Farm had been deliberately run over by a stolen vehicle which was later involved in a serious road traffic accident on the A227.
The repair work on the well is progressing, a builder has been consulted and has agreed to carry out the work.
- 7663/19
Bulletin and
Website
- a. Bulletin – The deadline for the next edition is 18 July 2019.
 - b. Website – no report
- 7664/19
Focus Group
and Police
- a. It was NOTED that the next meeting of the Focus Group will be held on 15 July 2019. The continued harassment of a business will be questioned at the meeting.
- 7665/19
Lunch
Provision
- a. The lunch continues to be popular with 29 members attending this week.
- 7666/19
KALC
- a. No report.
- 7667/19
Reports,
Circulars and
Correspond.
- The reports, circulars and correspondence as set out in A/06/19 were NOTED.

The meeting closed at 9.36pm

Signed:
Chairman

Date: