

## ASH-CUM-RIDLEY PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 20 September 2018 at Hodsoll Street and Ridley Village Hall, Hodsoll Street, TN15 7LE commencing at 7.45pm

Present: Cllr M Brown  
Cllr Mrs Brammer  
Cllr Mrs Clark  
Cllr Mrs Clucas  
Cllr Mrs Connell  
Cllr F Cottee  
Cllr S Glover (arrived 8.19pm)  
Cllr Mrs Hobbs (arrived 7.53pm)  
Cllr I Mann  
Cllr V Ngwenya  
Cllr P Nightingale

In attendance: Alison de Jager – Parish Clerk  
Cllr D Brazier – Kent County Council

- 7451/18 Apologies were received from Cllr J Crane (ill), Cllr M Manley (work), Cllr J Kelly (SDC meeting), Cllr J Scott (family commitment). The apologies and reasons for absence were accepted  
District Councillors Cameron Clark and A Pett sent their apologies.
- 7452/18 a. Cllr Mrs Connell declared an interest in item 7b as a payment was  
Declarations made to a family member. Cllrs Mrs Brammer and M Brown declared  
Of Interest an interest in item 7g as residents of Capelands.  
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.
- 7453/18 No requests received  
Dispensations
- 7454/18 It was RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday  
Minutes 19 July 2018 be approved and signed as a true record with the following amendments. Page 2 7434/18 a. correction of 'nay' to 'any' and 'hare' to 'harm'. Page 3 7434/18 c. PROPOSED: Cllr I Mann SECONDED: Cllr Mrs Clucas.
- 7455/18 a. It was NOTED that the Data Audit has been received and will be  
General reviewed by the Finance Committee.  
Data  
Protection  
Regulation.
- 7456/18 a. Applications  
Planning **SE/18/02723: Lilac Bank, Billet Hill, Ash, TN15 7HE** – Proposed single storey extension and creating of additional first floor space over existing construction. Cllr Mrs Clucas PROPOSED that the Parish Council does not object to this application as long as it does not conflict with green belt regulations including the 50% rule. SECONDED: Cllr Mrs Brammer and AGREED. (Cllr Mrs Hobbs arrived)

**SE/18/02504: The Mote, Meadow Lane, New Ash Green, DA3 8PW –** hardstanding extension of the width of the foot path. Cllr Mrs Connell PROPOSED that the Parish Council does not object to this application but would point out that by extending this hardstanding onto a previously grassed area, two additional parking spaces have been created and therefore the planning permission should have applied for parking bays. SECONDED: Cllr Mrs Brammer FOR: 9 AGAINST: 0 ABSTENTION: 1

- b. Decisions  
The decisions, as set out in Appendix A to Agenda A/09/18 were RECEIVED and NOTED.
- c. Appeals – None at time of Agenda. NOTED.
- d. Enforcements - None at time of Agenda. NOTED.
- e. The minutes of the Planning Committee meetings held on 02 August 2018, 16 August 2018 and 06 September 2018 were NOTED.
- f. It was NOTED that the former annex at the Nursery School, The Street, Ash has been changed to The Old Bomb Shelter, The Street, Ash, TN15 7HB.
- g. It was NOTED that Cllr M Brown had attended a meeting at Sevenoaks District Council regarding the shopping centre.

- a. The current financial position and accompanying reports were NOTED.
- b. The cheques signed since the last meeting were authorised.  
PROPOSED: Cllr V Ngwenya SECONDED: Cllr Mrs Brammer and AGREED.
- c. It was NOTED that the next meeting of the Finance Committee will be held on 16 October 2018.
- d. It was NOTED that the Annual Governance and Accountability Return external auditor's report and certificate has not yet been received. It has been referred to an Engagement Lead to sign off due to the combination of the Sports Centre with the Parish Council.
- e. Cllr Mrs Clucas PROPOSED that the purchase of the eleventh edition of Arnold-Baker on Local Council Administration in the amount of £103.99 is AUTHORISED. SECONDED: Cllr I Mann and AGREED.
- f. The Play Area Safety Inspection Report for the Hodsoll Street Play Area was NOTED.
- g. Cllr Mrs Clucas PROPOSED that the appeal for funding from Capelands Residents Society is declined as it would set a precedent. SECONDED: Cllr Mrs Connell FOR: 8 AGAINST: 0 ABSTENTIONS: 2

- a. Cllr Mrs Connell PROPOSED that the Parish Council organises a Service of Remembrance at Ash War Memorial on Sunday 11 November with Ash Church at 10.45am, followed by Tea and Coffee. Alison Harding has suggested that the service at Ash Church with the Scouts starts at 10am, then those wishing to walk down to the War Memorial will do so, to arrive by 10.45am. Elizabeth Robertson will stay at the Church for those that wish to remain. SECONDED: Cllr I Mann and UNANIMOUSLY AGREED. Cllr Mrs Clucas PROPOSED that a book is purchased for those attending to write about family members who served in the First World War and then to give the book to New Ash Green Library. SECONDED: Cllr S Glover and UNANIMOUSLY AGREED.
- b. Cllr Mrs Brammer PROPOSED that the Parish Council purchases a wreath under **Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972** with a one-off donation of £100 to mark the end of the First World War. SECONDED:

Cllr Mrs Hobbs and UNANIMOUSLY AGREED.

- c. Battle's Over – Cllr M Brown PROPOSED that the purchase of 2 x 19kg gas cylinders in the amount of £81.04 is AUTHORISED for the Beacon Lighting event which Ash Church have agreed to set up and light at 7pm. The Friends of Ash Church will serve soup, teas and coffee. The Reflections event will be held in the Church from 7.45pm. SECONDED: Cllr P Nightingale and UNANIMOUSLY AGREED.

- 7459/18 Sports Centre a. The minutes of the meeting of the Sports Centre Management Committee held on 23 July 2018 were NOTED.
- 7460/18 Barnfield Park a. It was NOTED that the next meeting of the Liaison Group will be held on 01 October 2018.
- 7461/18 Northfield a. The minutes of the meeting of the Northfield Management Committee held on 03 September 2018 were NOTED.
- 7462/18 Burial Ground a. The minutes of the meeting of the Burial Ground Committee held on 03 September 2018 were NOTED.  
b. Cllr S Glover PROPOSED that the Parish Council respond to the letter from Savills requesting a guide price and the acreage of the Glebe land. SECONDED: Cllr Mrs Connell and UNANIMOUSLY AGREED.
- 7463/18 Youth a. 8 – 12's –no report.  
b. Youth – it was NOTED that there was an incident at the primary school on Wednesday evening and the Police had attended.  
c. The Fun Days were very successful with 199 people attending the two events.
- 7464/18 Highways a. It was NOTED that vans continue to park on the double yellow lines on Meadow Lane near the dentist. A van had also parked over the crossing forcing students in wheelchairs having to go onto the road to cross.

**The meeting was suspended at 8.38pm to receive reports from the County and District Councillors.**

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

**The meeting reconvened at 8.49pm**

- 7465/18 Footpaths a. No report.
- 7466/18 Transport a. The next meeting with the Parish Councils and bus companies will be held on 02 October 2018.  
b. The Big Conversation – a follow up event has been arranged for 30 October 2018 and Cllrs Mrs Connell and M Manley will attend.
- 7467/18 Ash, Hodsoll Street, Ash & New Ash Green a. Ash – The next event will be held on Saturday 17 November 2018 – a Folk Night with Joe Whittaker and the November Film Night will feature will be Mamma Mia 2.  
b. Hodsoll Street – no report  
c. Ridley - no report

- d. New Ash Green – an increase in dog waste has been noted, hanging on branches in the hedge between Courtfield and Northfield and being thrown over the hedge between Capelands and Slides Farm. Two additional dog waste bins have been installed on Northfield. An article will be written for the bulletin.

7468/18  
Bulletin and  
Website

- a. Bulletin – the next deadline is Thursday 18 October 2018.
- b. Website – all information is up to date.
- c. Facebook page – no report.

7469/18  
Focus Group  
and Police

- a. It was NOTED that the next Focus Group meeting will be held on 08 October 2018.

7470/18  
Lunch  
Provision

- a. No report.

7471/18  
KALC

- a. No report

7472/18  
Reports,  
Circulars and  
Correspond.

The reports, circulars and correspondence as set out in A/09/18 were NOTED.

The meeting closed at 9.02pm

Signed: .....  
Chairman

Date: .....