

Birling Parish Council

Minutes of Meeting held on Tuesday 13 January 2015 in Birling Village Hall at 8pm

Present: Councillors Mrs Jacquie Westwood (Chair) Mr Ron Nudd (Vice Chair)
 Mr Colin Grimmett Mr David Hopper
 Mrs Helen Walker

Mrs Grimmett (Clerk) and 1 member of the public

1 Apologies for Absence and Declarations of Interest

County Cllrs Sarah Hohler and PCSO Laura Bullen.
Cllr Nevill was absent

2 Reports

Borough and County Matthew Balfour had nothing to report other than that at Borough and County levels budgets are the main topic at the moment.

Crime No report

3 Approval and Signing of Minutes of Previous Month's Meeting

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 9 December 2014 be **APPROVED** and **SIGNED** by the Chair.

4 Matters arising and last month's circulation

(a) Ham Hill Quarry Liaison Committee

Cllr Westwood reported that the meeting discussed terms of reference, proportionate representation and membership. Mr Chittenden, who had been co-opted by Birling Parish Council to attend, was accepted as a member as the terms of reference did not preclude non-elected councillors and he was then accepted on to the committee. Lafarge Tarmac is up for sale so the terms of reference were altered to cover any contractor. Other matters discussed were transport and communication. The next meeting will be in June, date yet to be set. Cllr Westwood suggested that the minutes be put on the BPC website.

(b) Defibrillator

The Clerk will have the information for February's meeting.

(c) Any other matters arising.

Nothing was raised under this heading.

5 Parish Business for Decisions

(a) **Precept** – It was **AGREED** to include contested election costs of £1222 plus an increase of £350 in the Precept Request.

(b) **KALC Community Awards Scheme 2015** – It was **DECIDED** that this was a good idea. The Clerk was asked to find out if there were costs involved in adopting the scheme and what else needed to be done.

(c) **JPCTCG** – It was **DECIDED** to renew membership for a further year.

(d) **TMBC Open Space Assessment** – Councillors could not confirm whether the information given was correct and Clerk was to notify TMBC to this effect.

(e) Any other business for decisions

Nothing was raised under this heading.

7 **Correspondence**

Local Government Boundary Commission – Electoral Review of Kent – placed in the bag
Invitation to Lord Lieutenant of Kent’s Civil Service 10 March 2015 – No one available to attend

Invitation to TMBC Mayor’s Karting evening – No one available to attend.

TMBC – request for support for Y2 Crew Summer Scheme - no action

Phone call from resident re change of address from Snodland to Birling

8 **Financial Matters**

(a) Quarterly accounts, statements & PAYE records to be signed

Quarterly reconciliation sheet, bank statements and PAYE forms signed.

(b) Cheques

The following cheque was signed:

1372 Mrs Grimmatt January salary & expenses £281.49

(c) Any other financial business

Nothing was raised under this heading.

9 **Roads**

No one had been available to attend the JPCTCG meeting on 8 January 2015. Cllr Grimmatt Offered to attend future meetings. The Clerk was asked to report to Kent Highways that the SLOW signs either side of the brow of the hill in Ryarsh Road needed refreshing, as did the white lines around the traffic calming in Bull Road and the 30mph sign at gateway needed cleaning.

10 **Planning**

New Applications:

TM/14/02989/FL TQ 567533 159754

Applicant: Mr P Amlani c/o Kevin Wise Town Planning

Proposal: Demolition and removal of existing commercial livery barns etc
Additional information – Phase 1 Environmental Report

Location: Ryarsh Farm Livery Stables, Birling Road, Ryarsh

BPC: no change – note report but objections stand

TM/14/03780/RM TQ 567887 159226

Applicant: Taylor Wimpey UK Ltd & The Homes & Community Agency

Proposal: Reserved matters application for phase 3a pursuant to TM/12/03238/FL
for the erection of 78 dwellings etc

Location: Leybourne Grange Hospital

TM/14/03542/FL TQ 567998 160414

Applicant: Dr Gilbert

Proposal: Demolition of conservatory + extension – Amended drawing

Location: 3 The Close Birling ME19 5PP

BPC: An email had been received from the applicant conflicting with the amended plan. Clerk to advise TMBC.

Decisions:

KCC/TM/0322/2014

Proposal: Extension to the height of the existing asphalt plant emissions stack

Location: Ham Hill Quarry Snodland ME6 5LA

KCC: Granted 17/12/2014

TM14/03754/RD TQ 567887 159226

Applicant: Taylor Wimpey UK Ltd & The Homes & Community Agency

Proposal: Extension of time to implement planning permission TM/08/00757/FL for 702 dwellings

Location: Leybourne Grange Hospital

BPC: No objections

TM/14/03781/RD TQ 567887 159226

Applicant: Taylor Wimpey UK Ltd & The Homes & Community Agency

Proposal: Details submitted pursuant to TM/12/03238/FLEA

Location: Leybourne Grange Hospital

BPC: No objections

TM/14/03740/TNCA TQ 567966 160493

Applicant: Mr Holdsworth

Location: 10 Ryarsh Road, Birling ME19 5JW

Proposal: Fell Leylandii (T1 & T2) and Birch (T3) because of interference with overhead power lines

BPC: No objections

TMBC: No objections 9/12/2014

TM/14/03557/FL TQ 566312 162095

Applicant: Birling Farms

Location: White Horse Wood, Meopham

Proposal: Extension of period of occupancy of static caravans by 2 weeks at beginning and end of season

TMBC: Approved 9/1/2015

11 Any Other Business

Cllr Hopper tendered his resignation due to his imminent move and was thanked by the Chair for his hard work. Cllr Spooner offered to take over as webmaster and Cllr Hopper will liaise with her re training.

12 Date of next meeting

As previously agreed **17 February 2015 at 8pm**

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.25pm.