

LUDESDown PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 20 NOVEMBER 2017 AT THE VILLAGE HALL, LUDESDown AT 7.30 pm

PRESENT: Cllr Chris Mileson Chairman
 Cllr Noel Clark
 Cllr Mrs Anne Moorhouse
 Cllr Matt Newnes
 Cllr Mrs Sally Stanier

 Mrs Roxana Brammer Clerk

In attendance Cllr Samir Jassal Gravesham Borough Council

Item	<i>Action point</i>
<i>Minute number 2017/18/</i>	

1 APOLOGIES

109 All parish councillors present. An apology for absence was received from Cllr Bryan Sweetland, Kent County Council.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

110 None.

3 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 18 SEPTEMBER 2017

111 It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Stanier, seconded by Cllr Mrs Moorhouse and agreed that the minutes of the meeting held on 18th September 2017 be signed as a true record.

4 MATTERS ARISING

112 No matters were raised.

5 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 16 OCTOBER 2017

113 It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Stanier, seconded by Cllr Clark and agreed that the minutes of the meeting held on 16th October 2017 be signed as a true record.

6 PLANNING

114 **a Applications**

The responses to the out of time applications as listed on Appendix A were ratified.

115 **b Decisions**

The decision as listed on Appendix A was received.

c Appeals and Other Matters

116 **i 20161157 Appeal ref 2017/00023/NONDET:** Drysdale House, Wrangling Lane, Great Buckland

Appeal against non-determination within specified time period by written representations

Noted.

7 FINANCE

117 **a Bank Balances**

The bank balances as listed on Appendix B were noted.

118 **b Cheques Signed Since the Last Meeting**

The cheque signed since the last meeting as listed on appendix B was ratified.

119 **c Accounts for Payment**

It was proposed by Cllr Mileson, seconded by Cllr Mrs Stanier and agreed the accounts for payment (cheques 100044 – 100047 as listed in Appendix B be approved.

8 GRANT APPLICATIONS

120 None.

9 RECREATION GROUND

121 Cllr Mrs Stanier reported that Mr Waters of Gravesham Borough Council had said the tree trunks had been left for people to sit on but they had now been moved so they were less in the way. Wood fibre had been put in the holes under the slide. The grass had been cut round the edge but the pitch had not been cut.

10 NOTICE BOARDS

122 Cllr Mileson said he had been round to measure up the notice boards but they were all different. After discussion he said he would look again at them and circulate his findings before contracting the resident who would be interested in making them.

BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

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

Cllr Jassal said he had passed on complaints about flytipping to Stuart Alford and was now waiting for a response. Mr Alford was investigating how it was picked up and other associated matters. There needed to be something in place that was more preventative and more proactive. He referred in the Green Belt Review, Local Plan and Core Strategy. The Inspectorate had advised housing needs of 4,600 dwellings, this had risen to 6,170 in the Inspector's report. The question was of timescale. It was now rolling and had risen

again to 8,000. The Green Belt Review had been advised by the Inspector and had been agreed by all parties. If a review was carried out, there would then be the ability to put forward areas for development. He had not been happy with the format put to Cabinet. He was working with the Gravesham Rural Group. There was a request to parish council chairmen to work with the group. He thought that in the future there would be some development in the Green Belt. Cllr Clark asked what was happening with the London Paramount theme park. Cllr Jassal replied that Paramount had pulled out, but London Holdings UK and their backer were interested in a football ground and were looking to invest in Gravesham. London Holdings had stated they had buyers in place for a big theme park. An application was lodged with central Government, which would have to go out to consultation.

The Chairman thanked Cllr Jassal and reconvened the meeting.

11 HIGHWAYS & TRANSPORT

123 a Public Rights of Way

Cllr Clark had nothing to report. Cllr Mrs Stanier said she had attended a meeting of the Gravesham Rights of Way Committee. Elham had published a guide to dog walking. She referred to the Valley of Visions and said that the PCSO was hoping to use a 4 x 4 vehicle again. The part of the Darnley Trail from Cobhambury Hill to the country park was going to become a bridle way. The Camber to Ramsgate section of the Coastal Path was open and the Woolwich to Grain section was coming forward. KCC rights of way were undertaking a review of the coastal path improvement plan and would be going out to consultation in the New Year

124 b GBC Transport Panel

No meeting.

125 c Lower Thames Crossing.

Cllr Mileson reported that the access routes were being altered and the tunnel portal would be further south. The tunnel itself would be three lanes each way instead of two. He reported on a meeting with the Chairmen of Cobham and Cuxton Parish Councils. Cobham had already had a presentation from Highways England and they would be giving another presentation to the group in the New Year.

d Other Highways or Transport Issues

126 i Lockyer's Hill

Cllr Mileson reported he had forwarded the complaint about the priority lines being the wrong way round to Cllr Sweetland, who was now investigating.

127 ii Wrangling Lane

Cllr Mileson reported that the verges had now been cut in the worst places. Cllr Mrs Stanier thought this had been carried out by a resident.

128 iii Flytipping

Cllr Mileson said he had emailed the PCSO twice. Cllr Mrs Stanier said that flytipping had been discussed at the Gravesham Rights of Way Committee meeting and the

suggestion had been to contact the Police and Crime Commissioner with photographs. Cllr Newnes had spoken to Stone Parish Council. They had a written agreement with Dartford Borough Council and certificate so that they could pick up flytipping and Dartford BC would then deal with it. However Dartford BC had approached Stone PC and had asked for funding. Stone PC had funded CCTV. Cllr Newnes said he would speak to someone in the industry for more information.

12 GBC MEETING OF PARISH CHAIRMEN

129 No meeting.

13 KALC GRAVESHAM AREA COMMITTEE

130 Cllr Clark had attended the last meeting. Fire hydrants had been discussed. Cllr Mrs Moorhouse said she thought there were 3 in Henley Street but she had never found them. Vigo's Neighbourhood Plan had been aborted. The new General Data Protection Regulations Act and the KCC budget had been discussed. It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Moorhouse, seconded by Cllr Mileson and agreed Cllr Clark fill the vacant position of the second KALC representative.

14 MEETINGS REPORTS

131 a Welfare Centre Training Day

Cllr Clark had attended. The focus had been on local emergencies, with matters such as evacuation, setting up of rest centres and the like being concentrated on.

132 b KALC Finance Conference

The Clerk reported on the KALC Finance Conference. It had been attended by a mix of councillors and clerks. They had been informed that the Council Tax support grant would not be available after the 2018/19 financial year.

15 CONSULTATION

133 No documents received.

16 CORRESPONDENCE

134 a KCC Old Chalk New Downs Project Training Workshops

Received.

17 REPORTS AND CIRCULARS

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

18 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

136 No matters were raised.

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 9.55 pm

Signed Chairman

On theday of..... 2018