

**LUDESDown PARISH COUNCIL****MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 17 JULY 2017 AT THE VILLAGE HALL, LUDESDown AT 7.30 pm**

**PRESENT:** Cllr Chris Mileson Chairman  
 Cllr Noel Clark  
 Cllr Mrs Anne Moorhouse

Mrs Roxana Brammer Clerk

In attendance Mr Clive Stanley Webmaster

**Item** *Action point*  
*Minute number 2017/18/*

**1 APOLOGIES**

49 An apology for absence was received from Cllr Mrs Stanier due to a family commitment. It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Moorhouse, seconded by Cllr Clark and agreed this apology be accepted. Apologies for absence were also received from Cllr Samir Jassall, Gravesham Borough Council and from Cllr Bryan Sweetland, Kent County Council.

**2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

50 Cllrs Mrs Moorhouse and Clark declared personal interests in item 6a(i), planning application for Boughurst Street Farm, as being neighbours.

**3 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 22 MAY 2017**

51 It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Stanier, seconded by Cllr Mrs Moorhouse and agreed that the minutes of the meeting held on 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2017 be signed as a true record.

**4 MATTERS ARISING**

52 No matters were raised.

**5 CASUAL VACANCY**

53 The Clerk reported that although she had received two expressions of interest, no applications had been received.

**COUNTY AND BOROUGH COUNCILLORS' REPORTS AND PUBLIC SESSION**

The Chairman suspended the meeting to allow the Webmaster to speak.

Mr Stanley informed members of his holiday periods in July and September. He had changed the words as requested. Cllr Clark volunteered to help with statistics.

The Chairman thanked Mr Stanley and reconvened the meeting.

**6 PLANNING**

**a Applications**

- 54 **i 20170711:** Boughurst Street Farm, Leywood Road: Application for the listed building consent for the installation of an en suite shower room

No objection.

**55 Out of Time**

The response to the out of time application as listed on Appendix A was ratified.

**56 b Decisions**

The decisions as listed on Appendix A were received.

**c Appeals and Other Matters**

None.

**57 i Planning Officer's Demonstration**

There had been no news of the demonstration on the planning website offered by Richard Hart and it was agreed to remind him.

**7 FINANCE**

**58 a Bank Balances**

The bank balances as listed on Appendix B were noted.

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

The cheques signed since the last meeting as listed on appendix B were ratified.

**60 c Accounts for Payment**

It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Moorhouse, seconded by Cllr Mileson and agreed the accounts for payment (cheques 100032 – 100034 as listed in Appendix B) be approved.

**8 GRANT APPLICATIONS**

61 None.

**9 RECREATION GROUND**

62 In Cllr Mrs Stanier's absence, there was no report.

**10 NOTICE BOARDS**

63 Cllr Mileson reported that a new noticeboard had been installed in Wrangling Lane, but nobody knew who had done it. He said he had put a note of thanks on it.

**11 HIGHWAYS & TRANSPORT****64 a Public Rights of Way**

Cllr Clark said he has attended the AGM of the Luddesdown Rights of Way Group. Pat Luxford had stepped down as Chairman and had been replaced by Anne Waugh. They had 74 members, of which 15 were new. They had obtained a strimmer and were undergoing training. A card had been sent, thanking the Council for the grant.

**65 b GBC Transport Panel**

No meeting.

**66 c Lower Thames Crossing.**

Cllr Mileson had attended the last meeting. Highway England was visiting parishes to find out what mitigation was being sought. The meeting had been attended by Cllr Mrs Pat Luxford of Meopham Parish Council, who were now realising the potential impact on the A227. Cllr Mileson had not attended the Highways England meeting with Cobham Parish Council. There would be a meeting of the Lower Thames Crossing Association with Highways England in the autumn. The CPRE was continuing to consider a legal challenge and environmental issues such as pollution.

**12 GBC MEETING OF PARISH CHAIRMEN**

67 Cllr Mileson had not been able to attend the last meeting.

**13 KALC GRAVESHAM AREA COMMITTEE**

68 Cllr Mrs Moorhouse had not attended the last meeting as it had clashed with the last meeting of the Parish Council. From the minutes it was recorded that there had been discussions about the planning application system, public access defibrillators and using old telephone boxes for public information. The Committee Chairman had attended a KALC meeting on devolution.

**14 HENLEY STREET TELEPHONE BOX**

69 The telephone box at Henley Street had not been reinstated as promised. Cllr Mileson said he would report this to Kevin Burbidge at Gravesham Borough Council.

**15 MEETINGS REPORTS****70 a KALC Councillors Conference**

The Clerk had attended the KALC Councillors' Conference as a member of Ash-cum-Ridley Parish Council. The speakers had been of mixed quality, but the networking had been worthwhile.

**16 CONSULTATION**

**71 a Cock Inn, Henley Street**

Gravesham Borough Council had written to consult on the application for the Cock Inn, Henley Street to be nominated as an asset of community value. It was agreed no comments be made

**17 CORRESPONDENCE**

72 None.

**18 REPORTS AND CIRCULARS**

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

**19 ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

**74 a Luddesdown Society**

Cllr Mileson reported that the Luddesdown Society were willing to make grants to good causes and had asked for details if anyone knew of any.

**75 b Cobham and Luddesdown News**

Cllr Mrs Moorhouse suggested that items of interest from meetings be put in the Cobham and Luddesdown News. She would pass contact details on to the Clerk.

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 8.50 pm

Signed ..... Chairman

On the .....day of..... 2017