

STANSTED PARISH COUNCIL**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 5 OCTOBER 2015 AT FAIRSEAT VILLAGE HALL, VIGO ROAD, FAIRSEAT AT 8.00 pm**

PRESENT:	Cllr Harry Bott	Chairman	Except item 2a
	Cllr Mrs Polly Falconer	Vice-chairman	In the chair item 2a
	Cllr John Brooker		
	Cllr Mrs Sheila Goodworth		
	Cllr Michael Osborne		
	Cllr Daren Sefer		
	Cllr Kevin Sparkes		
	Mrs Roxana Brammer	Clerk	
In attendance	Cllr Mrs Sarah Hohler	Kent County Council	
	Cllr Robin Betts	Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council	
	Cllr Martin Coffin	Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council	

Item *Action point*
Minute no 2015/16/

1 APOLOGIES

213 All present.

INTERESTS**214 a Dispensation**

Cllr Bott left the room for this item and the Vice-chairman took the chair. Cllr Bott had applied to the Council for a dispensation in the matter of the boundary dispute and disposal of the school, as his land adjoined the site. The grounds cited were that it was in the interests of persons living in the Parish Council's area and also that it was otherwise appropriate to grant a dispensation. It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Falconer, seconded by Cllr Mrs Goodworth and agreed unanimously that Cllr Bott be granted a dispensation. Cllr Bott returned to the meeting and resumed the chair.

215 b Other Declarations of Interest and Alterations To The Register

None.

3 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 7 SEPTEMBER 2015

216 It was proposed by Cllr Sparkes, seconded by Cllr Osborne and agreed the minutes of the meeting held on 7th September 2015 be signed as a true record.

4 MATTERS ARISING**217 a C/09/15/11b minute 2015/16/203: Fence at The Herons, Vigo Road, Fairseat**

Cllr Mrs Falconer asked that this item be kept on the agenda.

5 STANSTED SCHOOL

- 218 Cllr Bott said that the Director of Education, Diocese of Rochester, would not be coming after all and had said that all further communication should be through solicitors. Their surveyor had forwarded a Land Registry registration dated 2012, giving title to the Diocese for the land occupied by the buildings and the current playground. This had been equally unexpected by Kent County Council. The surveyor had now been stood down. Cllr Bott was putting all evidence together and the Council's legal adviser would make a submission to the Land Registry. He mentioned the fact that the 2005 extension had been funded by the taxpayer and that KCC was seeking legal advice. Cllr Mrs Falconer said that the Diocese of Rochester Board of Education was separated from the Diocese and was a closed charity. Cllr Bott said he was expecting to have a site meeting with Andrew White of KCC's Property Department.

COUNTY AND BOROUGH COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

The Chairman suspended the meeting to enable the County and Borough Councillors give their reports.

Cllr Mrs Hohler said she had followed up the report of the state left by removal of fixtures at the school. An officer had inspected and had been happy with the removal and that it was up to standard.

Cllr Betts said that as the school had had a policy about bullying, the current situation was ironic. It needed to be pointed out to the Diocese that the costs were likely to fall on them. There was a possibility of setting up a donations fund for residents to protect the community asset. Businesses should be made aware of that the West Kent Leader Fund was taking applications and that funding was available.

Cllr Coffin referred to the enforcement on the Vigo Inn and said that evidence of letting was being sought. The Borough Council was looking at the provision of services through the committee system. The Area Planning Committees had caught attention and would be under scrutiny that week. It was work in progress, no decisions had been made and the letter from East Malling and Larkfield Parish Council was premature. Cllr Brooker commented that the car sales at the Tower Garage on Wrotham Hill were now into the road and the bus stop. Cllr Coffin said there was no planning permission and enforcement was dealing with it.

The Chairman thanked Cllrs Mrs Hohler, Betts and Coffin and reconvened the meeting.

6 PLANNING

a Applications

- 219 i **TM/15/:** Compass Cottage, Malthouse Road, Stansted: Demolition of existing sheds – construction of replacement brick and stone shed

After discussion, it was agreed to respond as follows:

Stansted Parish Council has no objection in principle to this application. However the Parish Council would like to point out that the additional parking as shown on drawing DJH/101 submitted with application TM/10/00186/FL has not yet been provided and considers that a condition should be made that the extra parking is provided before any demolition and construction takes place, in the interests of road safety and minimising on-street parking

- 220 ii **TM/15/02985/RD:** Church of St Mary the Virgin, Tumblefield Road, Stansted: Details of the historic building record and watching brief and the archaeological investigation report pursuant to conditions 3 & 4 of planning permission TM/12/03385/FLX

(Application for extension of time limit in respect of planning approval TM/09/02988/FL being the construction of an extension to the south of the existing church building to provide accessible toilet facilities, meeting room, kitchenette and storage. Formation of a new access to the extension through the base of the church tower)

No objection.

221 **b Decisions**

The decisions as listed on Appendix A were received.

c Enforcement

222 **i The Vigo Inn**

Cllr Coffin's report above refers.

223 **d Appeals**

None

e Other Planning Issues

224 **i Tonbridge and Malling Local Plan**

The report and map were received.

225 **ii Call for Sites**

The call for sites was undergoing its first draft.

7 FINANCE

226 **a Bank Balances**

The bank balances as listed on Appendix B were noted.

227 **b Cheques signed since Last Meeting**

None.

228 **c Accounts for Payment**

It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Falconer, seconded by Cllr Brooker and agreed the accounts for payment as listed on Appendix B be paid (cheques 750 – 753), with the addition of £15, Stansted Village Hall (cheque 757).

229 **d Audit 2014/15**

It was noted that the audit for the year 2014/15 had been successfully concluded.

8 FUNDING REQUESTS230 a **Stansted Village Hall**

It was proposed by Cllr Brooker, seconded by Cllr Sefer and agreed a grant of £800 be made under S 19 of the Miscellaneous Provisions Act 1976 (cheque 754).

231 b **Fairseat Village Hall**

It was proposed by Cllr Brooker, seconded by Cllr Sefer and agreed a grant of £1,100 be made under S 19 of the Miscellaneous Provisions Act 1976 (cheque 755).

232 c **Age UK**

It was proposed by Cllr Osborne, seconded by Cllr Sefer and agreed a grant of £250 be made to Age UK under S 137 of the LGA 1972 (cheque 756). The Clerk was asked to find out if the shopping trips were still being run.

9 MANAGEMENT OF THE COUNCIL'S LAND & PROPERTYa **Recreation Ground**

233 i. General Matters. Nothing to report.

234 ii. Hire of Ground. Nothing to report.

235 iii. Posts. Cllr Brooker was asked to remind Thomas Brooker about the revised quotation.

236 b **Playpark**

Nothing to report.

237 c **War Memorial and Garden**

Cllr Mrs Goodworth referred to Armistice Day and said she thought the display in the church was excellent. She asked if the poppies would be carried over to the War Memorial but they were too fragile.

238 d **Telephone Kiosk**

Cllr Mrs Goodworth they were waiting for Tom Brooker who was making a frame for the Knitting Club to mount their work.

239 e **Church Bank**

Nothing to report.

240 f **Village Green Land, Hatham Green Lane and Parsons Lane**

Nothing to report.

10 BROWNE'S BEQUEST

241 Nothing to report.

11 HIGHWAYS & TRANSPORT

242 Nothing to report.

12 VILLAGE HALLS**243 a Stansted Village Hall**

CLlr Mrs Goodworth had nothing to report.

244 b Fairseat Village Hall

Nothing to report.

13 POLICE MATTERS**245 a Police Representative's Report**

CLlr Mrs Goodworth had nothing to report.

246 b Neighbourhood Watch

CLlr Mrs Goodworth had nothing to report.

14 BROADBAND

247 CLlr Bott said the person due to run the project had just been appointed. The information event had been put back a month.

15 WORLD WAR I COMMEMORATIVE BOOKLET

248 It was reported that the group was trying to set a date in December for a meeting.

16 CONSULTATION

249 No documents received.

17 CORRESPONDENCE**250 a East Malling and Larkfield Parish Council**

The letter from East Malling and Larkfield Parish Council, referred to in CLlr Cofin's report, was received.

18 REPORTS & CIRCULARS

251 None.

19 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

252 No matters were raised.

The Chairman thanked councillors for attending and closed the meeting at 9.10pm

SignedChairman

On theday of2015