

**LUDESDOWN PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 21 NOVEMBER 2016 AT THE VILLAGE HALL, LUDESDOWN AT 7.30 pm**

**PRESENT:** Cllr Mrs Anne Moorhouse Vice-chairman  
 Cllr Noel Clark  
 Cllr Mrs Sally Stanier

Mrs Roxana Brammer Clerk

In attendance Mr Clive Stanley Clive Stanley Associates

**Item** *Action point*  
*Minute number 2015/16/*

**1 APOLOGIES**

106 Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Chris Mileson, who was ill and Mrs Kate Rogers, who was at work. These apologies were accepted. Apologies for absence were also received from Cllrs Bryan Sweetland, Kent County Council and Samir Jassall, Gravesham Borough Council.

**2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

107 None.

**3 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 19 SEPTEMBER 2016**

108 It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Moorhouse, seconded by Cllr Mrs Stanier and agreed that the minutes of the meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> September 2016 be signed as a true record.

**4 MATTERS ARISING**

109 a **C/09/16/9d(i) minute 2016/17/95: Passing Spaces**

Cllr Mrs Stanier asked if anything further had been heard.

**5 PLANNING**

a **Applications**

110 i **20160966:** The old Rectory, Luddesdown Road: Erection of single storey front extension providing triple garage, enlarged kitchen, w.c, utility, dog room and boot room; a detached outbuilding for a workshop and replacement entrance gates and front boundary wall

No objection

111 ii **20160707:** White Horse Riding Cendtre, White Horse Lane, Harvel: Construction of a horse walker and lunging ring – revised plans

No plans had been supplied by the Local Planning Authority and the Clerk had been unable to look at them online. After discussion it was agreed the impact would be on residents of Harvel, in Meopham Parish and that no response could be made due to the lack of drawings.

112 **Out of Time**

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

113 **b Decisions**

The decisions as listed on Appendix A were noted

114 **c Appeals and Other Matters**

None.

**6 FINANCE**

115 **a Bank Balances**

The bank balances as listed on Appendix B were noted.

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

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

117 **c Accounts for Payment**

It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Stanier, seconded by Cllr Clark and agreed the accounts for payment (cheques 100004 - 100005) as listed in Appendix B be approved.

118 **d Budget 2017/18**

The budget meeting scheduled for 1<sup>st</sup> November had been inquorate. However, Cllrs Mileson and Clark and the Clerk had gone through the figures of the draft budget prepared by the Clerk, which had been circulated prior to the meeting. It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Moorhouse, seconded by Cllr Mrs Stanier and agreed the budget for 2017/18 be adopted.

119 **e Precept 2017/18**

It was proposed by Cllr Clark, seconded by Cllr Mrs Stanier and agreed the precept for 2017/18 be £ 5,350.

**7 GRANT APPLICATIONS**

120 None.

**8 RECREATION GROUND**

121 Cllr Mrs Stanier reported that Cobham Colts were using the pitch and that no vehicles had driven on the ground.

**9 HIGHWAYS & TRANSPORT****122 a Public Rights of Way**

Cllr Mrs Stanier reported that the Rights of Way Group were holding their winter social event on 11<sup>th</sup> December.

**123 b Lower Thames Crossing**

Cllr Clark reported there had been no comments on meetings. Adam Holloway MP was still pushing for the A14 option. The strategy group was still meeting monthly and the current plan was to leaflet all homes in Dartford.

**124 b GBC Transport Panel**

In Cllr Milesen's absence, there was no report.

**d Other Highways or Transport Issues****125 i Debris on Roads**

Cllr Mrs Stanier said that the road had been blocked near Cutteridge Cottage, when Strawberry Hill was repaired. The blockage had been cleared but the debris had been put on both banks and was now washing onto the road during rain. She also reported that a gap had been left when Five Wents had been surface dressed and mud was now coming down.

**10 GBC MEETING OF PARISH CHAIRMEN**

126 In Cllr Milesen's absence, there was no report.

**11 KALC GRAVESHAM AREA COMMITTEE**

127 Cllr Mrs Moorhouse and Cllr Mrs Rogers had attended the last meeting. Cllr Mrs Rogers had reported that KALC was thinking of running a bespoke councillor course. Higham was undertaking a lorry watch as there were problems with HCVs. All parishes were opposed to any proposal of the Local Planning Authority to stop sending hardcopies of planning applications. Cobham and Shorne had obtained grants from the Rural Forum.

**12 MEETINGS REPORTS****128 b KALC AGM**

Cllr Clark had attended the KALC AGM. The speaker had been the Police and Crime Commissioner.

**13 WEBSITE**

129 The Chairman suspended the meeting to allow Mr Stanley to speak.

Mr Stanley said he hoped councillors had looked at the new website and that it was now live. KCC would soon be closing down the previous version of their website.

The Chairman thanked Mr Stanley and reconvened the meeting.

**14           CONSULTATION**

130           No documents received.

**15           CORRESPONDENCE**

131           None.

**16           REPORTS AND CIRCULARS**

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

**17           ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

133           No matters were raised.

The Chairman thanked councillors for attending and closed the meeting at 9.00pm

Signed ..... Chairman

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