

Minutes of the Full Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 7th September at 7.30 pm at Grafty Green Village Hall

Present: Cllrs Eastwood, L Hook, G Thompson, C Tomlinson, S Peter

In Attendance:

Mrs M Norris (Clerk)

26/09/01. Apologies & Declarations of Interest

- There were no apologies of absence
- No changes noted to the Register of Interests
- No further declarations of interest or requests for dispensation were made.
- Cllrs Eastwood and Thompson made a declaration of lobbying in respect of Myrtle House , Planning application reference 26/503215

26/09/02. Public Session

There were four members of the public in attendance. The chairman invited them to speak and the planning application for Myrtle house was discussed.

26/09/03. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The minutes of the Boughton Malherbe Parish Council Meeting July 2026 and the minutes of the Boughton Malherbe Planning Meeting -18th August 2026 were confirmed as a true and accurate record and duly signed by the Chairman.

26/09/04. County Councillor and Borough Councillor Reports

The Borough Councillor was unable to attend this meeting and had passed on his apologies. No report for this period had been received.

26/09/05. Planning

a) The following planning applications were considered:-

APPLICATION REF: 26/503215/FULL

PROPOSAL: Demolition of existing outbuilding and stables, provision of 3no. parking spaces. Erection of agricultural barn with associated yard and landscaping.

ADDRESS: Myrtle House Headcorn Road Grafty Green Kent ME17 2AR

It was RESOLVED that the application be refused and be taken to the planning committee if contrary to the officer's decision.

b) Planning Appeals submitted for consideration

Notification of Appeal Lodged with the Planning Inspectorate

Proposal: Listed Building Consent for installation of kitchen wall lining on aluminium frame, raising of beam in chimney breast, installation of steel lintels over windows, external security fittings comprising 4no. security cameras and 5no. lights, and removal of paint from chimney breast (works completed).

Location: Little Southernden, Southernden Road Headcorn – Resolved No comment would be submitted.

c) The following planning decisions were received from Maidstone Borough Council

26/501970/FULL

PROPOSAL: Conversion of double garage space to be included into existing annexe, single storey rear extension and changes to external fenestration

ADDRESS: 7 Boughton Park Grafty Green Kent ME17 2EF

Decision / Granted

26/09/06 Finance

(a) The following receipts of income have been received.

Maidstone Borough Council Parish Services Scheme £67.00

Lloyds bank Interest £5.50

(b) It was RESOLVED to agree that the following payment was made:-

D/D Hugo Fox 23.98

D/D Lloyds Bank Service Charge £8.50

Amesis Litter Picking Services (July) £104.53

M Norris Salary Jul/Aug £899.08

Total £1036.09

(c) The Bank Reconciliation was presented at the meeting. Balance at bank as of the 7th September are Cambridge & Counties £78,386.02, Lloyds Community Account £367.13, Lloyds Instant Access £6,480.01

26/09/07. Correspondence

a) An email received 28/08 concerning water leaks on Liverton Hill

It was resolved that the Clerk would contact KCC to ask whether they would be prepared to provide a testing kit, of the type they use to test for chlorine, so that the water from the leak can be tested to help establish whether it is spring water. In addition, the water leaks would be included on the Highways Improvements plan, and to send a separate letter to KCC to advise that the public road at Liverton Hill is being damaged by the continual erosion caused by the flow of water and to request a copy of the most recent inspection report relating to this location.

b) Notification of the HIP plan from KCC Highways

The PC agreed that a reduction in the speed limit from Park House down to the existing 30 mph speed limit sign should be placed on the Highways Improvement Plan to initiate discussions with a highways officer.

26/09/08. Christmas Planning

Resolved The parish council agreed to arrange an event similar to last year. No date was agreed but the PC will discuss further to arrange a December date.

26/09/09 Matter for Information, urgent matters at the discretion of the Chairman for noting only or any items for further discussion at the next meeting.

Cllr Peter raised concerns about vehicles reversing onto his driveway and the potential risk of damage to the verge and drain cover. The clerk requested that he provide photographs of the verge and drain cover to her.

Email re Solar Panels & Battery Storage Village Hall – Noted Chairman to draft a reply requesting further information

There being no further business the Chairman thanked all for attending and closed the meeting at 8.15pm

Approved:

Dated:

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