

FRINDSBURY EXTRA PARISH COUNCIL**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 23 JUNE 2022 AT FRINDSBURY EXTRA MEMORIAL HALL,
HOLLY ROAD, WAINSCOTT AT 7.30 PM**

PRESENT:	Cllr Chris Sparks	Chairman
	Cllr Geoff Moore	Vice-chairman
	Cllr Gary Etheridge	
	Cllr Peter Martin	
	Cllr Andrew Millsom	
	Cllr Mrs Sheila Noise	
	Cllr Ope Onimole	
	Cllr Paul Thorpe	
	Cllr Mrs Elizabeth Turpin	
	Cllr John Williams	
	Mrs Roxana Brammer	Clerk
	Mrs Emma Johnson	Assistant Clerk
In attendance	Mrs Anne Roscow	Footpaths Officer

Item

Minute 2022/23

*Action point***1 APOLOGIES**

139 Apologies for absence were received from

Cllr Mrs Fatima Mitchell	Family Commitment
Cllr Vanessa Roach	On Holiday

It was proposed by Cllr Moore, seconded by Cllr Martin and agreed these apologies be accepted.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

140 None

3 ANY OTHER BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE

141 None

4 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 26 MAY 2022

142 It was proposed by Cllr Martin, seconded by Cllr Millsom and agreed the minutes of the meeting held on 26th May 2022 be signed as a true record subject to an amendment to the reference number.

5 MATTERS ARISING

143 No matters were raised.

6 FOOTPATHS

144 a Footpath Officer's Report

The Chairman suspended the meeting to allow Mrs Roscow to give her report:

Dennis and I cleared the foliage on RS136 at the end Leading from Brissenden Close in Lower Upnor. Roxana had previously told me that a member of the public had reported that it was overgrown. Dennis and I used the strimmer and shears to cut back the foliage up to the top of the steps.

We have used the strimmer and shears to clear the foliage on RS131 from Dillywood Lane, heading towards Brompton Farm Road. After two hours we had to stop halfway down the side of the hedge by the field, with the intention to return on another day.

We have cut back nettles and brambles on RS120 between Cooling Road and Cliffe Road, as I had a complaint from a member of the public (my four year old grandson!) about the nettles encroaching the path. This is a route used by many children walking to school, and while we were clearing this footpath other users told me of children getting stung. We also collected a black sack full of rubbish, which included multiple drinks cans and the little silver canisters which contain nitrous oxide.

Mrs Roscow also asked if it was possible to have another strimmer so thry could both clear paths at the same time. This was agreed and the Chairman offered to obtain one. A spare battery would also be purchased..

CS

The Chairman thanked Mrs Roscow and reconvened the meeting.

7 PLANNING

a Applications

- 145 i **MC/22/1426** 43 Holly Road, Wainscott : Construction of a single storey side/rear extension and extension to existing hardstanding area - demolition of existing garage

No objection.

- 146 ii **MC/22/1420** 77 Gill Avenue, Wainscott: Construction of a single storey side extension, additional off-road parking to the front.

No objection.

- 147 iii **MC/22/1502** 4 Ashenden Close, Wainscott: Construction of a single storey extension with raised stepped area to rear

No objection.

- 148 iv **MC/22/1503** 4 Ashenden Close, Wainscott: Application for a Lawful Development Certificate (Proposed) for the construction of a hip to gable roof; dormer to the rear; roof light to the front and window at roof level to the side to facilitate loft conversion.

No objection.

- 149 v **MC/22/1531** 3 Lee Green Cottages, Town Road, Frindsbury Extra : Construction of a First Floor Extension to side

Frindsbury Extra Parish Council has no objection in principle to this application, but has concerns about the proximity of the extension to the boundary with the adjoining property and the fact that the neighbour may be overlooked and suffer loss of privacy and amenity.

- vi **MC/22/1538** 188 Frindsbury Hill, Frindsbury: Construction of single storey extensions to the front and to the rear of the existing garage to the side to facilitate the conversion of the garage to habitable living accommodation together with the construction of a dormer to the side

Frindsbury Extra Parish Council objects to this application on highway grounds and over development of the site. From the drawings the parking provision in the front garden looks very tight, especially for modern cars which are bigger than cars were a few years ago, The residents of the property might have a car the size of a Range Rover and/or a van to fit into the space shown. Vehicles will either have to reverse out onto the A228 Frindsbury Hill, or pull up in the road and reverse into the drive. Either has safety and highway implications. The extended property may well be occupied by extra adults with cars leading to possible on street parking.

151 **b Decisions**

The decisions as listed on Appendix A were noted.

152 **c Appeals and Other Matters**

None.

153 **d Neighbourhood Plan**

Cllr Sparks said he would arrange to speak to the potential Chairman again and also speak to Medway Council to find out the next steps and which grants could be applied for. CS

8 FINANCE

154 **a Bank Balances**

The bank balances as listed on Appendix B were noted.

155 **b Accounts for payment**

It was proposed by Cllr Moore, seconded by Cllr Mrs Noise and agreed the accounts for payment as listed on Appendix B be approved. (cheques 102416-102423)

156 **c Bank Activity - May 2022**

The payments made in May 2022 as given on Appendix B were ratified.

9 GRANT APPLICATIONS

157 **a Kent Air Ambulance**

It was proposed by Cllr Sparks, seconded by Cllr Millsom and agreed a grant of £100 be made under S137 of the LGA 1972. (cheque 102427)

EJ

10 MANAGEMENT OF THE COUNCIL'S LAND AND PROPERTY

a Recreation Ground/Hall Garden

158 **i General Matters**

Nothing to report.

- 159 **ii MHS Tree 39 Hollywood Lane**
- Cllr Sparks said he still needed to speak to MHS. *CS*
- 160 **iii Boundary fence at rear of 35 Hughes Drive**
- The Clerk put forward the idea of planting shrubs on the Recreation Ground side of the fence which could be allowed to grow up and screen the resident's garden. Photinia "Red Robin" had been advised as being both attractive and fast growing and easy to maintain. She would obtain a quotation and Cllr Sparks would speak to the resident. *RB*
CS
- 161 **iv Football**
- The Clerk reported awaiting a reply from Woodpeckers FC. *RB*
- 162 **v Litter Bins**
- The Assistant Clerk reported she was in the process of ordering the two bins. *EJ*
- 163 **vi Damaged fence**
- The Clerk reported she was awaiting a quote which she would chase up. *RB*
- 164 **vii Concrete Path**
- The Clerk reported this was discussed at the last meeting and the resident had been informed of the decision so this would be removed from the agenda.
- b Wainscott Fields**
- 165 **i General Matters**
- Nothing to report. *RB*
- 166 **c Wainscott Fields Working Group**
- The Assistant Clerk reported she would email EPR and arrange a date for the next meeting. *EJ*
- 167 **d Coomber Green**
- The Clerk reported a resident was concerned about a tree that he was worried might fall down onto his drive and an obscured street light. Laverock Tree Care had been asked to attend and assess. Cllr Etheridge suggested placing a road sign to indicate Coomber Green. Cllr Sparks to investigate. *CS*
- e Playparks**
- 168 **i Recreation Ground**
- Nothing to report.

179 c **Land adjacent to Ordnance Yard**

Cllr Sparks reported he was in contact with the owners and was going to ask if they wanted to hand it over to the Parish Council for future maintenance. A resident had also complained about sightlines at the crossroads in Upnor which was thought to be the responsibility of the Ministry of Defence. The Assistant Clerk would contact them. EJ

180 c **Arethusa Venture Centre**

Nothing to report.

12 **COCKHAM WOOD COMMUNITY PARK**

181 Nothing to report.

13 **SENIOR CITIZENS' LUNCH**

182 Cllr Mrs Turpin reported that the lunch had gone well to begin with but volunteers were dropping out and it was a struggle to maintain regular visitors. This was impacting the food budget. She also reported that it had been decided to introduce advance payment for the following week. It was agreed to change the lunch to a community lunch to try attract more people.

14 **HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORT**

183 a **Upchat Road**

Cllr Millsom reported complaints from residents about bad parking on junctions and requested double yellow lines but the road was a private road owned by the Ministry of Defence.

184 B **Four Elms Hill**

Cllr Etheridge reported the work which was to take place on Four Elms Hill had been cancelled.

15 **LIGHTING**

185 Nothing to report.

16 **RURAL LIAISON COMMITTEE**

186 a **Representative's Report**

Cllr Millsom reported the next meeting was the following week.

17 **KENT ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS MEDWAY AREA COMMITTEE**

187 a **Representatives' Report**

Cllr Moore reported the next meeting was in July.

18 HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**188 a Representative's Report**

Cllr Mrs Noise said that the Secretary was arranging a meeting in the near future. Cllr Sparks asked that he be informed of the date so that he could attend as an observer. Cllr Williams said that he was extremely disappointed to hear that the Booking Clerk of the Memorial Hall wanted to charge the Parish Council for holding the senior citizens lunches, considering it was a community activity

19 POLICE MATTERS**189 a Police Liaison Committee Representative's Report**

Cllr Williams reported he would bring up the anti-social behaviour in Upnor again and that the gates to the car park were not regularly being closed.

190 b Neighbourhood Watch

Cllr Onimole said that there were fewer incidents being reported locally mainly vandalism and theft of car number plates.

20 COMMUNICATIONS**191 a Website**

The Assistant Clerk reported she needed to look into how to create a shadow page for Operation London Bridge. *EJ*

192 b Magazine

Nothing to report.

193 c Social Media

Nothing to report.

21 CONSULTATION

194 None.

22 CORRESPONDENCE

195 None.

23 REPORTS AND CIRCULARS

196 None

The Chairman suspended the meeting for the Medway Councillors' report.

MEDWAY COUNCILLORS' REPORT

Cllr Etheridge reported that Medway Council had purchased the old Debenhams building in Chatham and were planning to create a water feature in the town. It was also reported there had been more accidents in the Medway Tunnel and on the B200. Cllr Etheridge also reported HIF deadlines were not being met.

The Chairman thanked the Medway councillors and reconvened the meeting.

CONFIDENTIAL SECTION

24 RESOLUTION TO EXCLUDE THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

197 It was proposed by Cllr Sparks, seconded by Cllr Moore and agreed the press and public be excluded from the following item on the grounds it was a legal matter.

25 ACQUISITION OF LAND

198 Cllr Sparks reported that the Council's solicitor was still waiting to hear from Taylor Wimpey.

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 21:10

Signed Chairman

On the ... day of2022