

BOBBING PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held on Wednesday 3 April 2019

Present: Cllr. G. Herbert, Chair
Cllr. R. Ball – Vice-Chair
Cllr. L. Major
Cllr. E. England
Cllr. P. England
Cllr. A. Cavanagh
Cllr. G. Randall
Lynda Fisher, Clerk
6 Residents

1. Welcome and Apologies for Absence

The Chair formally welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies received from Parish Cllrs. Dewar-Whalley and Claire, County Cllr. Whiting, Borough Cllrs. Hunt and Hampshire, and the PCSO.

2. Visitors/Public Time

1. **Residents** – No comments.
2. **County and Borough Councillors** – No reports.
3. **Community Warden/PCSO** – No report from Community Warden. PCSO sent a written report advising of thefts of diesel from a lorry; theft of number plates from vehicles parked on Keycol/Bobbing Hills; fly tipping; nuisance vehicles on Bobbing Hill; oil spillage on roundabout near Bobbing; car window smashed whilst parked in Rook Lane and garden hedges taken from a property in Keycol Hill.

3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Proposed by Cllr. Cavanagh and seconded by Cllr. Major, the Minutes of the meeting held on the 6 March 2019 were agreed and signed as a true transcript.

4. Declarations of Interest - None

5. Matters Arising from the Minutes and Last Month's Meeting

1. **Network Rail Temporary Fencing, Hilton Drive** – Cllr. Whiting to chase, Cllr. P. England to see if he can raise this with Network Rail. Keep on the Agenda. **Action: Cllr. England/County Cllr. Whiting**
2. **Sheppey Way (near Bobbing Apple) – Alterations to road layout and bollards** – Cllr. Whiting to check with KCC Officers to see what progress has been made following the meeting at McDonalds last year – keep on Agenda. **Action: Clerk/County Cllr. Whiting**
3. **Bus Shelter, Crematorium** – Cllr. Ball to obtain quotes from local companies; bring back to next meeting. **Action: Cllr. Ball/Clerk**

6. Councillors' Report

1. Laybys – take off the Agenda. Cllr. Randall had nothing further to report.
2. Village Hall Board – Past Parish Chairmen – Cllr. Dewar-Whalley asked for this and Item 6.3 to be placed on the Agenda. Agreed it may be difficult tracing back past Parish Chairmen; one idea is to check with KCC Archives, Clerk to investigate. **Action: Clerk**
3. Parishioner of the Year – Clerk to place on the pending file. **Action: Clerk**

Cllr. Ball mentioned the large amounts of rubbish on Sheppey Way; Clerk to ask Swale Borough Council to undertake a clean-up of the area. **Action: Clerk**

Cllr. P. England advised rubbish bins outside ‘One Stop’ are only emptied once a week, not more as promised. The road brick near ‘One Stop’ are collapsing; near the chicane, the sewer is collapsing. Clerk to contact the Management Company. **Action: Clerk**

Cllrs. Major, E. England and Cavanagh - nothing to report.

7. **Correspondence**

1. **Newquay Town Council National Parking Enforcement Survey** – Clerk has submitted survey.

8. **Planning Applications**

1. **19/501048/FULL**: Removal of condition 1 to make the approval permanent to application SW/14/0151 for siting of portacabin and drainage interceptor for car washing operation: 15-21 Key Street Sittingbourne Kent ME10 1YX – Agreed no comments. However, the Parish Council does have concerns that the applicant is not sticking to the working hours as stated on the Planning Application SW/14/0151 - Monday to Saturday 8.30 to 18.30; Sundays and Bank Holidays 10.00 to 16.00. The Parish Council has been informed that at times the car wash is open till 22.00.

2. **18/502190/EIHYB**: Land North Quinton Road, Sittingbourne, Kent, ME10 2SX – Revised details - Bobbing Parish Council's original statement still stands, Councillors have grave concerns about the access in Quinton Road and the impact it will have on Bobbing Parish. The infrastructure is not sufficient to cope with the amount of traffic generated by this development. Members object on the grounds that access comes out near to the traffic lights/bridge over the railway line, where this road then goes down to a single track. Councillors are concerned that instead of using this route, cars will go through Sonora Way (already suffering a huge increase in traffic), to gain access to the A249; or up to the Sheppey Way and then down to the Bobbing Apple junction. Because of traffic issues with the Bobbing Apple junction and the retail units opposite KCC is at present looking at the area.

Further agreed to add - relating to the Parish Council's concerns over the use of Sonora Way by traffic from this development using it as a short cut to the A249 and beyond. Due to issues with the T-junction of Sheppey Way/B2006, traffic queues in the main to access to and from the Bobbing Apple retail site. Members would urge the Borough Council to use the opportunity (with S.106 money) to redesign this area and install a roundabout, which would improve traffic flow and encourage vehicles from the new development to use Quinton Road/Sheppey Way (past Bobbing School) and then exit onto the B2006. This will in turn reduce the amount of traffic using Sonora Way as a short cut.

9. **Finance**

1. **Quote for setting up .gov.uk emails for Councillors (GDPR refers)** – proposed by Cllr. P. England and seconded by Cllr. Cavanagh, agreed the quote of £768.60p (includes reclaimable VAT), for setting up 10 mail boxes, 2 year registration of Domain Name – bobbing-pc.gov.uk – and monthly costs for 10 365 Mailboxes.

2. **Insurance Premium Renewal** – details not received in time for the meeting.

3. **KALC Subscription 2019/20** – proposed by Cllr. P. England and seconded by Cllr. Ball, agreed the subscription renewal fee for 2019/20 of £785.40p.

4. **Accounts and Cheques Raised** – Proposed by Cllr. P. England and seconded by Cllr. Cavanagh, agreed accounts to the 31 March 2019 and the following Cheques were agreed and signed:

Date	Cheque	Details		Amount
03.04.19	0653	L. Fisher	Expenses: Telephone, Office Use, Refreshments - March	£22.25p
03.04.19	0654	H.M. Revenue & Custom	Tax due April	£77.80p

03.04.19	0655	Society of Local Council Clerks	Subscription 2019/20	£196.00p
03.04.29	0656	K.A.L.C.	Subscription 2019/20	£785.40p
Four Cheques in total				

Paid Out:

Wages - salary April

£310.98p

Paid by Standing Order

10. **Any Other Matters Arising** – None.

11. **Next Meeting(s)**

Due Elections agreed to next meet on Wednesday 15 May April 2019, 7.30 p.m. in the Bobbing Parish Hall's small Committee Room. This will be for the Parish, Annual Parish Council and Monthly meetings.

The meeting closed at 9.32 p.m.

These minutes are certified to be a true and just record.

Signed: _____

Date: _____