

ASH-CUM-RIDLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 21 July 2016 at Ash Village Hall, The Street, Ash, commencing at 7.45pm

Present: Cllr M Brown
Cllr Mrs Brammer
Cllr Mrs Clucas
Cllr Mrs Connell
Cllr S Cornelius
Cllr F Cottee
Cllr J Kelly
Cllr I Mann
Cllr V Ngwenya
Cllr J Scott

In attendance: Alison de Jager, Parish Clerk
2 members of the public

- 6947/16 Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Mrs Clark, (holiday),
Apologies Cllr J Crane (ill), Cllrs S Glover (work) S Hobbs (family commitment) Cllr J
Kelly (late arrival). The apologies and reasons for absence were accepted.
PROPOSED: Cllr Mrs Brammer SECONDED: Cllr V Ngwenya
District Councillors C Clark and A Pett also gave their apologies.
- 6948/16 a. Declarations of Interest – Cllr Mrs Brammer declared an interest in
Declarations Of Interest Item 6f. Application from Ash Village Hall Committee for a grant as she is
the Parish Council nominee on that committee.
b. No changes to the Register of Interests. Members were reminded that
any alteration or new interests must be registered with the Monitoring
Officer within 28 days.
- 6949/16 No requests received
Dispensations
- 6950/16 It was RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday
Minutes 16 June 2016 be approved and signed as a true record PROPOSED: Cllr
Mrs Connell SECONDED: Cllr I Mann and UNANIMOUSLY AGREED.
- 6951/16 It was NOTED that a Casual Vacancy exists for a Parish Councillor for the
Casual New Ash Green South East Ward following the resignation of Cllr I Paddy,
Vacancy Sevenoaks District Council Electoral Registration Officer has been informed
and no requests have been received to fill the vacancy by election. Rule
8(3) of the Local Elections (Parishes & Communities) Rules 1986 states that
somebody is co-opted to fill the vacancy as soon as practicable. Adverts
will be placed in the Bulletin, on the notice board and website.
- 6952/16 a. Applications
Planning **SE/16/01638: 69 PENENDEN, New Ash Green, DA3 8LS** – Erection of a part
single/part two storey rear extension. Cllr J Kelly PROPOSED that the Parish
Council does not object to this application as long as it does not conflict
with local planning policy. SECONDED: Cllr Mrs Clucas and AGREED.

SE/16/01914: Ash House, Ash Road, New Ash Green, DA3 8SA - Prior notification for a change of use from office use (Class B1(a)) to a dwelling house (Class 3). This application is made under Class O of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) order 2015. Cllr M Brown PROPOSED that the Parish Council objects to this application for the following reasons:

- The site of these parking spaces is inaccessible due to the restrictions placed on the carriageway as there is no entry to cars from either end of the carriageway which is part of the highway belonging to Kent County Council Highways.
- The designated spaces appear to encroach marginally on a Tree Preservation Order area, and exist in a continuation of it which extends the character of the TPO area. The parking spaces disrupt what is a pleasant rural entry to the shopping centre.
- The carriageway in any event is inadequate for the manoeuvres required.
- This site should remain in commercial use providing employment.

SECONDED: Cllr I Mann and AGREED.

SE/16/01689: Forge Cottages, Ash Road, Ash, TN15 7HW – Demolition of a pair of two storey semi-detached houses and out buildings. Construction of a terraced block comprising 2 x 3 bedroom and 3 x 2 bedroom two storey houses, parking area at rear, two parking spaces for plot 2 off Ash Road and front landscape works. Cllr J Scott PROPOSED that the Parish Council does not object to this application subject to the Planning Authority examining the intensification of the site and the urbanisation of the front gardens in a rural setting. SECONDED: Cllr Mrs Brammer and AGREED

SE/16/02013: Cader Idris, Gravesend Road, Wrotham, TN15 7JS - Minor material amendment to application SE/16/00612 for the Subdivision of plot and conversion of existing residential outbuilding into a one bedroom bungalow. In order to amend the front windows to bay windows and part clad front and side elevations. Cllr F Cottee PROPOSED that the Parish Council does not object to this application subject to local planning policy. It was observed that the applicant pointed out, should this proposal be granted, the affordable homes contribution under the Section 106 agreement will fall away under new legislation. SECONDED: Cllr Mrs Clucas and AGREED.

Public Footpath SD252 (part) Ash-cum-Ridley – It was NOTED that the Planning Inspectorate has set the start date for the Public Path Diversion and Definitive Map and Statement Modification Order 2016 on the above footpath as 08 July 2016. Written submissions must be received by 02 September 2016. It was AGREED that the Parish Council would prepare a written submission objecting to the proposed diversion and Cllr M Brown PROPOSED that a Working Party is formed with delegated powers to meet and agree the objection for submission before the deadline. Membership would be the Footpaths Representatives, Cllrs Mrs Connell and I Mann and the Ward Councillor, Cllr F Cottee. SECONDED: Cllr Mrs Clucas and AGREED.

SE/16/01878: Eventide, Fawkhams Green Road, Fawkhams, DA3 8NN – Erection of a single storey side and rear extension. Cllr Mrs Clucas PROPOSED that the Parish Council does not object to this application as long as it does not conflict with local planning policy. SECONDED: Cllr J Kelly and AGREED.

- 6952/16
Planning
- b. Decisions
The decisions, as set out in Appendix A to Agenda A/07/16 were RECEIVED. The split decision for application SE/16/00946, Dreamscape will be placed on the Agenda of the next Planning Committee meeting to determine what has been granted.
 - c. Appeals
None at the time of the Agenda.
 - d. Enforcements
None at the time of the Agenda.
 - e. It was NOTED that the next meeting of the Planning Committee will be held on 04 August 2016.
 - f. The notes of the Neighbourhood Development Plan Working Party held on 04 July 2016 were NOTED.
- 6953/16
Finance
- a. The current financial position and accompanying reports were NOTED. Cllr V Ngwenya took members through the reports.
 - b. The cheques signed since the last meeting were authorised.
PROPOSED: Cllr I Mann SECONDED: Cllr V Ngwenya and UNANIMOUSLY AGREED.
 - c. It was NOTED that the minutes of the meeting of the Finance Committee held on 18 July 2016 will be distributed with the September 2016 Agenda .
 - d. It was NOTED that there is a vacancy on the Finance Committee following the resignation of Cllr I Paddy.
 - e. Cllr Mrs Brammer PROPOSED that a grant in the amount of £250 is made to Victim Support under **Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972**. SECONDED: Cllr Mrs Clucas and UNANIMOUSLY AGREED.
 - f. Ash Village Hall Committee – Cllr J Scott PROPOSED that a grant in the amount of £9,745 is made to Ash Village Hall under **Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976, Section 19**. SECONDED: Cllr Mrs Clucas. FOR: 9 AGAINST: 0 NO VOTE: 1.
(Cllr J Scott left the meeting at 8.38pm)

Confidential Item

Pursuant to Standing Order 5 (xiii), members of the public were asked to leave the meeting during consideration of agenda item 6. G due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted relating to staff matters.

- g. Cllr M Brown PROPOSED that the recommendation from the Finance Committee regarding the salaries, back pay and increase in hours of the Assistant Clerk/Finance Officer is APPROVED. SECONDED: Cllr Mrs Brammer and UNANIMOUSLY AGREED.
- 6954/16
Sports Centre
- a. It was NOTED that the next meeting of the Sports Centre Management Committee will be held on 11 October 2016.
- 6955/16
Barnfield Park
- a. The minutes of the meeting of the Barnfield Park Liaison Group held on 13 June 2016 were NOTED.
- 6956/16
Northfield
- a. The minutes of the meeting of the Northfield Management Committee held on 11 July 2016 were NOTED. It was NOTED that while the Committee has great sympathy for the allotment holders the

6956/16 Northfield	<p>continuing unauthorised encampments in the district and the security of the land from such incursions resulted in the application for access on Northfield being refused.</p> <p>b. Cllr Mrs Brammer PROPOSED that the recommendation of the Northfield Management Committee to approve the review of Standing Orders without amendment be APPROVED. SECONDED: Cllr V Ngwenya and AGREED.</p>
6957/16 Burial Ground	<p>a. The minutes of the meeting of the Burial Ground Committee held on 27 June 2016 were NOTED. Specification for the wall for the Memorial Garden will be produced to have the drawings done.</p>
6958/16 Youth	<p>a. It was NOTED that the KCC commissioning of Youth Service Contracts for the Sevenoaks District were due to come to an end on 30th June with a new commissioned provider starting on the 1st July. Current contracts have been extended to 30th November with the new commissioned provider starting on 1st December.</p> <p>b. Fun Days will be held on the Minnis in New Ash Green, Northfield and Woodlands in Hartley on Tuesday mornings in August.</p>
6959/16 Highways	<p>The Highways report for the period to 13 July 2016 was emailed to members.</p>
6960/16 Footpaths	<p>a. Public Footpath MR603 and Public Bridleway MR604, Stansted. It was NOTED that the Public Path Creation Order of 27 June 2014 came into force on 10 June 2016 as per the attached.</p> <p>b. Restricted Byway MR221A, Stansted. It was NOTED that the Public Path Diversion Order of dated 20 August 2014 came into force on 10 June 2016 as per the attached.</p>
6961/16 Transport	<p>It was NOTED that the next meeting of Arriva and the Parishes will be held on 20 September 2016.</p>
6962/16 Ash, Hodsoll Street & Ash	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ash – No report. • Hodsoll Street – No report. • Ridley – No report. • New Ash Green 50th Anniversary – it was AGREED that Cllr Mrs Brammer would attend a preliminary meeting on 15 August 2016 as the Parish Council Representative to give consideration as to how to mark the occasion in September 2017.
6963/16 Bulletin and Website	<p>a. Bulletin – The next edition has been printed and will be delivered to the distributors.</p> <p>b. Website - no report</p>
6964/16 Focus Group and Police	<p>a. The minutes of the meeting of the Focus Group held on 04 July 2016 were NOTED.</p> <p>b. PCSO S Randall will be leaving to join Kent Police and he will be missed.</p>
6965/16 Lunch Provision	<p>A Customer Satisfaction Survey has been carried out at the lunch provision, the results of which will be given to Kent County Council. Unfortunately, The lunch club will not be held for next four weeks as the Youth and Community Centre will be closed for two weeks for renovations and then</p>

the Cook and her volunteers will be on annual leave for two weeks.

6966/16
KALC

No report.

6967/16
Reports,
Circulars and
Correspond.

The reports, circulars and correspondence as set out in A/07/16 were
NOTED.

The meeting closed at 9.01pm

Signed: Date:
Chairman