

**NETTLESTEAD PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF A REMOTE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
4th MARCH 2021 AT 7.30PM**

Members Present

CLlr David Meredith – Chairman
CLlr Jackie Bennett – joined the meeting at 19.50pm
CLlr Anita Van-Hensbergen – Vice-chairman
CLlr Emily Salter
CLlr David Thomas
CLlr Alison Green

Also, in attendance – The Clerk - Mrs Michelle Rumble, Claudine Russell

1. **Apologies for absence**

None

2. **Declaration of pecuniary or personal interest in any item on the agenda**

Where any councillor has a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest (as defined in the Members' Code of Conduct) in any matter to be considered at a meeting of the Council, a committee, sub-committee, or joint committee, they must withdraw from the meeting room during the whole of the consideration of that matter and must not participate in any vote on that matter unless a dispensation has been obtained from the Monitoring Officer.

None

3. **Minutes last meeting**

The minutes of the meeting held on the 4th of FEBRUARY were reviewed, approved, and signed as a true and correct record, **RESOLVED** by all members present.

4. **Matters arising from previous minutes and action points**

Flood Warden

No update on this at the moment.

The Clerk was asked to make contact again with the Old School House and ask them to set the Clock to the correct time which should be maintained by the owners.

5. **Neighbourhood Watch**

CLlr Salter had nothing to report

The Clerk had forwarded the letter to Insp Kent.

6. **Police report**

No report

7. **Chatterbox**

CLlr Bennett reported that she was hoping for Chatterbox to start again in July. It was also hoped that the lifting of restrictions would be in time for the Warrant Officer Blumer memorial service. CLlr Bennett will contact the Australian High Commission to see if a representative could attend.

8. **Parish magazine**

The Parish magazine was circulated to all the residents in Nettlestead despite the lockdown. It was also noted that the previous cheque had been damaged and was to be replaced at this meeting.

It will also place an ad in the magazine for Cabs4Jobs which is a service being run by Yalding Taxis for people who have no transport to enable them to have the Covid vaccination of which the Parish Council has made a donation.

9. Village hall

Cllr Meredith has stated that the Village Hall is to be used for the Elections on the 6th May. There is no set date as yet when face to face Parish Council meetings will commence again. This will be updated by KALC when they have any further information.

10. KGV FIELD

Goal Nets

The Clerk had been contacted by Jeff Goodyer and he stated that he would hopefully be carrying out the work to move the goal nets at the end of March. He will keep the Clerk updated on this.

GM Contract

The Clerk had contacted the successful contractor, he will send over a work schedule when he is due to commence work on the contract and start mowing.

Cllr Van Hensbergen had emptied the litter bin and had also removed some more fly tipping from the field.

It was also noted that the outdoor gym equipment can be re-opened on March 29th, Cllr Alison Green will do some more signs to this effect.

11. CHURCHYARD

Cllr Bennett gave her report.

12. HIGHWAYS AND FOOTPATHS

Highways

Bishops Close Parking

There was no update on this as KCC are not able to meet up during the lockdown, the Clerk will also email the PCSO and ask if she can monitor the parking problem at Bishops Close.

Footpaths

No reports

13. CORRESPONDENCE

KCC COVID-19 update – roadmap to easing lockdown

KALC Remote meetings

Census March 21st

Elections 2021 timetable

All the above correspondence was noted by all members present

14. PLANNING

21/500492/FULL	<p>Cherry Hill, Maidstone Road, Nettlestead Erection of 1 no glasshouse, 1 no storage shed, vegetable beds and greenhouse It was RESOLVED by all members present to object to the application for the following reasons: - Metropolitan Green Belt Visual appearance Overshadowing Traffic generation and highway safety. The members would also like to add that it does not mention on the application that it is to be used for business purposes and that there could be a potential for a change of use which concerns the members of the Parish Council. It also does not mention on the application the height of the greenhouse. There is also a static caravan on the site which no permission was sought for.</p>
20/505330/FULL	<p>The Orchard, Hampstead Lane, Nettlestead Insertion of replacement gates, walls and engineering works to create a cast -in culvert with concrete crossover (resubmission 19/503546) part retrospective It was RESOLVED by all members to say NO COMMENT</p>
20/505329/FULL	<p>The Orchard, Hampstead Lane, Yalding Part-retrospective application for change of use of agricultural land into residential curtilage, erection of replacement gates, rendered walls and driveway, engineering works over culvert and bonded gravel surface to crossover. It was RESOLVED by all members present that they would object to the change of use from Agricultural use to Residential use for the whole site, but not for the driveway on the property</p>
APP/U2235/W/19/3225715	<p>The Three Sons, Hampstead Lane, Nettlestead Notice of appeal will be heard by virtual event on the 9th of June 2021 starting at 10.00am This was noted by all members present</p>

It was also noted that the Yalding Enterprise Park will be going before the planning committee at the end of March/April. The Parish Council will be contacted a week before the meeting, and hoped that a Councillor will be available to attend the meeting.

DECISIONS MADE BY MBC

None

15. FINANCE

15.1 To note Budget monitoring report to March 2021

Noted by all members

15.2 To resolve that the cheques presented can be signed

RESOLVED by all members that the cheques are approved and will be signed at the end of the meeting.

NPC - Cheque List - March					
Cheque No	Gross	VAT	Nett	Supplier	Details
022154	£87.99	£4.19	£83.80	Eon	Street lighting energy - January
022155	£138.24	£0.58	£137.66	Mrs Michelle Rumble	Expenses
022156	£20.40	£0.00	£20.40	HMRC	PAYE - March
022157	£178.00	£0.00	£178.00	Hadlun Design	Parish magazine printing
022158	£478.80	£79.80	£399.00	Hugo Fox	Website
022158	£35.99	£6.00	£29.99	Hugo Fox	Gold subscription
022159	£100.00	£0.00	£100.00	Yalding Taxis	Cabs4Jabs
022160	£416.17	£69.36	£346.81	Capel Groundcare	GM Contract
022161	£178.00	£0.00	£178.00	Hadlum Design	Replacement cheque
S00301	£8.40	£1.40	£7.00	Sage Payroll	Payroll fee - March
DD0301	£534.27	£0.00	£534.27	Mrs Michelle Rumble	Salary - March
	£2,176.26	£161.33	£2,014.93		

15.3 Bank Reconciliations

These were approved and were signed by the Chairman and the Clerk as RFO.

15.4 Donations

It was **RESOLVED** by all members present that they would like to give £200 from this years Budget to 2020/21 to Chatterbox and then £200 from last years Budget 2019/20 also to Chatterbox. As Chatterbox does not have a Bank Account the Parish Council will pay for 8 chatterbox meals at a total cost of £400. The Hop Pole Public House will be asked to invoice the Parish Council.

Website

15.5 It was **RESOLVED** by all members to approve a Direct Debit to Hugo Fox at a cost of £29.99 per month for the website Gold subscription.

16. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

KGV Field Goal nets – update
Footpath KM176
Old School House Clock
Bishops Close Parking

17. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next Parish Council meeting will be on the 1st of April at 7.30pm - this will be a remote meeting of the Council

There being no further business the meeting closed at 21.00pm