

Draft MINUTES OF EYTHORNE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD WEDNESDAY 10 April 2019, 6.30PM
Eythorne Resource Centre, Barfrestone Road

1. PRESENT

Cllr Whitehead (Vice-Chair), Cllr Boiston, Cllr Butcher, Cllr Millard, Cllr Morgan-Lovett and Cllr Rogers. DDC Cllr Ovenden (from end item 13), KCC Cllr Lymer (from end item 14) 4 members of the public. Also in attendance S Collins.

Apologies

Cllrs Hansell, Ledger and Wiles – personal reasons.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

3. APPROVAL AND SIGNING OF MINUTES 13 MARCH 2019 MEETING

The minutes were agreed as a true record, proposed by Cllr Rogers, seconded by Cllr Boiston and were signed by the Vice-Chair.

4. KCC AND DDC COUNCILLOR AND COMMUNITY WARDEN REPORTS

Community Warden Julliette West gave an update:

Work included parking and traffic issues, damaged verges and parking on verges, parking in lay-bys, light pollution, noise nuisance, thefts from vehicles and out buildings, welfare issues and an issue with a sheep attack. Littering, damage to fencing and road works.

A member of the public asked about how Operation Brock will work with HGV's having to go via Manston to get a ticket, is there a loophole with using the A2?

Julliette said there is a lot of information on the KCC website where individual roads can be looked at. If there is a queue and a lorry does not follow protocol they will be sent back to Manston and go to the back of the queue.

Another member of the public said the signs are all in English without pictures, so foreign drivers could claim they did not understand them.

5. PUBLIC CONTRIBUTIONS AND QUESTIONS

None

6. ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS AND INSURANCE PAYMENT

S Collins took the meeting through the annual subscriptions and insurance for the following year.

7. FINANCE MATTERS AND AUTHORISATION OF PAYMENTS

i. The invoices as detailed below were agreed for payment, proposed Cllr Boiston, seconded by Cllr Morgan-Lovett and carried.

Finance Report		
Payee	Cheque number	Amount
ACRK	300686	£75.00
KALC	300687	£708.84
Came and Company Insurance	300688	£1,541.93
S Thomson	300689	£570.89
S Collins	300690	£1,152.29
KCC	300691	£259.34

Christine Rogers	300692	£48.00
Village Hall Elvington	300693	£105.00
HMRC PAYE Q4	DD	£807.51

S Collins took the meeting through:

- ii. the Q4 budget. Proposed Cllr Boiston, seconded Cllr Morgan-Lovett and carried.
- iii. the Statement of Internal Control for the year ended 31 March 2019.
- iv. the Councillors' responsibilities for Risk Management Statement, Financial Regulations and Standing Orders during the audit process and also asked for Councillors to consider becoming a cheque signatory after the Parish elections.
- v. S Collins said the internal auditor Tony Kilbee has agreed to audit the accounts this year.

8. PLANNING

- i. DOV/19/00386 – Erection of a single storey side extension – 19 Roman Way, Elvington CT15 4DT. The Councillors did not object to the extension but the flat roof caused concern as it would alter the street scene and be out of character to the houses. A suggestion of a front and side sloping roof to match the existing character was proposed.

Decisions

There were no published decisions.

9. MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES 13 MARCH 2019 NOT ELSEWHERE ON THE AGENDA

Cllr Millard reported the following:

- i. The church clock time was adjusted when the hour was changed, however the chime is not working properly and has been disconnected, waiting for further investigation.
- ii. Members of the community will take part in a litter pick of the pit path. Once this has been achieved, other areas will be addressed.

S Collins reported the following:

- i. Issues raised from last meeting have been reported to Community Warden.
- ii. A street light in Ash Grove which was reported at the last meeting, has been fixed.
- iii. A response has been received from KCC regarding double yellow lines at the roundabout
- iv. Year end accounts have been completed and delivered to the internal auditor
- v. KCC have agreed that double brackets can be installed on the 3 posts for the SID
- vi. Contact has been made from the new PCSO Luke Sanderson and he has been invited to the APM
- vii. Speakers at the APM are White Cliffs Countryside Partnership and Kent Fire and Rescue Service

A humming sound coming from Tilmanstone Salads can be heard throughout Eythorne and complaints are being made. S Collins to investigate.

10. ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES

None.

11. ALLOTMENTS

Cllr Rogers reported that there has been a terrific response for allotment holders from the Community Magazine articles.

Cllr Millard has one quote for the new fence and gate, he will try and find another for comparison.

Cllr Ledger has found someone to level the allotment ground ready for marking out the plots, for £38 per hour plus diesel. To have this work completed was proposed Cllr Rogers, seconded Cllr Millard and carried.

12. PORTABLE SPEED INDICATOR DEVICE

Cllr Millard reported that members of the Parish Council and Speed Watch met with Whitfield PC's handyman to look at their Advance SID equipment being moved and the data downloaded. Any concerns over the weight of the SID were alleviated and it was agreed that everyone is happy to

continue with the purchase of the agreed equipment. Speed Watch have requested that Stuart helps to move the SID if needed. S Collins to ask Stuart.

13. 5 ASIDE FOOTBALL PITCH MARKING QUOTE

After many years of trying to find someone willing to mark out the pitch, a small business has been found, for £40 for the first marking and £20 thereafter. The quote was proposed by Cllr Millard, seconded Cllr Boiston and carried.

DDC Cllr Ovenden arrived at 7.20pm

4. KCC AND DDC COUNCILLOR AND COMMUNITY WARDEN REPORTS - revisited

Cllr Ovenden joined the meeting and with purdah is unable to report on anything politically sensitive, however Cllr Ovenden spoke about the Barville Road closure and the professionalism of the KCC workforce. Cones on Pike Road to allow for heavy equipment to be stored before the surface was laid were moved by foreign lorry drivers so they could park up. The Chair thanked Cllr Ovenden for her help with the organisation of the diversion.

Cllr Millard received a letter regarding the elections of the 2 May and asked Cllr Ovenden about the contents.

Cllr Whitehead took the opportunity to thank the Councillors who are not re-standing for election for their contributions to the Council and the community.

14. SUPPORT AND THE EQUIPMENT FOR PARISH CARETAKER

Cllr Millard voiced concerns that if the gardener / handyman did not have his own transport, how would he continue to do his job. Also that the container for the equipment has not been completed. S Collins apologised for not being well enough to submit the planning application for the container over the last year. The Council looked at an alternative vehicle for Stuart to use, but it has not been budgeted for. Cllr Rogers agreed to submit the planning application for the container on the Community Centre grounds. It was agreed to put the item on the May agenda to discuss further.

Cllr Lymer arrived at 7.35pm

4. KCC AND DDC COUNCILLOR AND COMMUNITY WARDEN REPORTS - revisited

KCC Cllr Lymer joined the meeting and gave the following report:

- i. Preparations for Operation Brock is having an impact on traffic flow on the M20 with a 50mph speed limit. Several accidents have also occurred involving HGV's.
- ii. A member of the public asked his earlier question relating to traffic controls on the A256. Cllr Lymer reiterated that anyone not following procedure will be sent back to the end of the queue. He said he is working with other agencies to "keep Dover moving", that junctions and roundabouts are kept free from traffic during periods of congestion. The followed a discussion regarding foreign HGV drivers.
- iii. Another member of the public again mentioned that signs are written in English. Cllr Lymer said a pictorial sign costs £126 each and to replace all the signs is not cost effective.

15. CORRESPONDENCE

- i. Affinity Water - Water Resources Management Plan Consultation ends 26 April 2019
- ii. Community Caretakers Project letter from DDC, it was decided to invite someone from DDC to a meeting to discuss what the requirements are.
- iii. Taken in a closed session
- iv. S Collins read out 2 emails sent from a member of the community thanking Speed Watch for their valuable work and one to the school regarding parking on Adelaide Road.

16. ANY OTHER MATTERS

Cllr Boiston, expressed thanks for making him feel welcome on the Parish Council and said he is willing to help on committees. Cllr Whitehead reiterated thanks to the Councillors stepping down.

Closed session for correspondence item 15iii Request to purchase strip of land

After a discussion about the implications of selling a strip of land, it was decided to decline the offer.

Meeting closed at 8.15pm