

ASH-CUM-RIDLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 16 February 2017 at the Youth & Community Centre, North Square, New Ash Green commencing at 7.45pm

Present: Cllr M Brown
Cllr Mrs Brammer
Cllr Mrs Clucas
Cllr Mrs Connell
Cllr J Kelly
Cllr I Mann
Cllr V Ngwenya
Cllr P Nightingale
Cllr M Howie

In attendance: Alison de Jager, Parish Clerk

Cllr D Brazier – County Councillor

- 7071/17 Apologies Apologies for absence were received from Cllr J Crane (ill), Cllrs Mrs Clark, F Cottee and S Glover (Family commitments), Cllrs S Cornelius and Mrs Hobbs (work). The apologies and reasons for absence were accepted.
- 7072/17 Declarations Of Interest a. No declarations of interest.
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.
- 7073/17 Dispensations No requests received
- 7074/17 Minutes It was RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 19 January 2017 be approved and signed as a true record with the addition of 'even though' to replace 'and that' on the third line of 7057/17 c.. PROPOSED: Cllr Mrs Clucas SECONDED: Cllr I Mann and UNANIMOUSLY AGREED.
- 7075/17 Annual Parish Meeting It was NOTED that Mr Pelham, Public Rights Of Way Officer and Mrs Clinch, Sevenoaks District Council Enforcement are not able to attend the Annual Parish meeting. It was AGREED that invitations are extended to the Kent Air Ambulance and to Ms Millington from Kent Fire and Rescue to speak at the Annual Parish Meeting to be held on 10 May 2017.
- 7076/17 Local Government Act 1972, Schedule 12 It was NOTED that members may only receive summonses electronically where they consent to it and the consent forms were given to Councillors present for completion and return to the Clerk.
- 7077/17 Planning a. Applications
SE/17/00123: Johnsons Farm, Butchers Lane, New Ash Green TN15 7HF - To erect additional machinery shed and general store for use with the agricultural production and land related uses at Johnson Farm. 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, including that of a listed building. SECONDED: Cllr Mrs Clucas and AGREED.

SE/16/03697: St Peter and St Pauls Church, Church Road, Ash – The construction of a new lean to extension to the north of the building. The creation of a new path north of the new extension to the existing path. New external bollard lighting along external paths. Creation of a new below ground cesspool to the south of the church. Minor alterations inside the church building. Cllr Mrs Connell 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 UNANIMOUSLY AGREED.

Lawful Development Certificate for a Proposed Use or Development:

The following application was NOTED.

SE/17/00067/LDCPR: 1 New Street Farm Cottages, New Street Road, Hodsoil Street, TN15 7JY – Demolition of existing rear extension and the erection of a single storey rear and single storey side extension. Conversion of the garage into a habitable space, with the addition of a dormer window in the rear roof slope.

Tree Preservation Order – The application as set out on A/02/17 was NOTED.

b. Decisions

The decisions, as set out in Appendix A to Agenda A/02/17 were RECEIVED and NOTED.

c. Appeals

None at the time of the Agenda. NOTED.

d. Enforcements

None at the time of the Agenda. NOTED.

e. The minutes of the Planning Committee meetings of 13 January 2017 and 02 February 2017 were NOTED.

f. The notes of the Neighbourhood Development Plan Working Party meeting held on 07 February 2017 were NOTED.

g. SDC Local Plan – Cllr Mrs Brammer PROPOSED that the recommendation from the Planning Committee to put forward Brown's Yard, Ash as a possible brownfield site for further consideration by Sevenoaks District Council is opposed. SECONDED: Cllr I Mann FOR: 5 AGAINST: 2 ABSTENTIONS: 2.

h. SDC Local Plan – it was NOTED that that the Parish's Service and Facilities Audit for the Settlement Hierarchy has been submitted.

i. SDC Local Plan – Open Space, Sport and Leisure Study. The map was studied and Chapel Wood will be suggested for inclusion.

a. The current financial position and accompanying reports were NOTED

b. The cheques signed since the last meeting were authorised.

PROPOSED: Cllr Mrs Brammer SECONDED: Cllr V Ngwenya and UNANIMOUSLY AGREED.

c. It was NOTED that the next meeting of the Finance Committee will be held on 01 March 2017.

d. It was NOTED that the Internal Audit will be carried out on 27 February 2017.

e. Cllr J Clucas PROPOSED that the renewal of the annual membership to of Action with Communities in Rural Kent is AUTHORISED for the Parish Council, Ash Village Hall, Hodsoil Village Hall and the Youth & Community Centre in the amount of £200.00.

- 7078/17
Finance
- SECONDED: Cllr Mrs Brammer. FOR: 7 AGAINST: 0 ABSTENTIONS: 2.
(£50 subscription for the Parish Council and £50 grant to each village hall under **Local Government Act 1972 Section 19**).
- f. Cllr M Brown PROPOSED that the attendance of the Clerk to CiLCA (Certificate in Local Council Administration) Training on 17 March, 28 March and 11 April 2017 in the amount of £180.00 plus VAT. Is AUTHORISED. SECONDED: Cllr Mrs Brammer and UNANIMOUSLY AGREED.
 - g. Cllr M Brown PROPOSED that the attendance of the Clerk and Assistant Clerk/Finance Officer to attend Preparing for Your Audit – Best Practice Workshop on 30 March 2017 in the amount of £36.00 per person plus VAT is AUTHORISED. SECONDED: Cllr Mrs Brammer and UNANIMOUSLY AGREED.
 - h. Family Fun Days – Cllr Mrs Brammer PROPOSED that the provision of three Family Fun Days on 08 August, 22 August and 29 August is authorised with one additional activity on each day in the amount of £2,036.63
- 7079/17
Sports Centre
- a. It was NOTED that the minutes of the Sports Centre Management Committee meeting held on 13 February 2017 will be distributed with the March 2017 Agenda.
- 7080/17
Barnfield Park
- a. It was NOTED that the next meeting of the Barnfield Park Liaison Group will be held on 06 March 2017.
- 7058/17
Northfield
- a. It was NOTED that the minutes meeting of the Northfield Management Committee held on 13 February 2016 will be distributed with the March 2017 Agenda.
- 7081/17
Burial Ground
- a. The minutes of the meeting of the Burial Ground Committee held on 27 January 2017 were NOTED.
- 7082/17
Youth
- a. Youth Provision – It was NOTED that a meeting with West Kent Extra (the KCC Youth Commissioned service) and the Clerks and Chairmen of the north parishes has been arranged for 27 March 2017.
 - b. 8 – 12's – no report
- 7083/17
Highways
- It was NOTED that due to fly-tipping that contained asbestos, Rosemary Lane had been closed from 02 February to 15 February 2017 and that the closure was badly signed by Kent Highways.
- The meeting was suspended at 8.41pm to receive a report from the County and District Councillors.**
- The report from the County Councillor is attached to these minutes.
- The meeting reconvened at 8.49pm**
- 7084/17
Footpaths
- a. It was NOTED that a broken at the junction of footpath M204 and SD25 has been reported.
- 7085/17
Transport
- a. It was NOTED that the next meeting with Arriva and the Parishes will be held on 14 March 2017. Cllr Mrs Clucas reported that there is difficulty getting from New Ash Green to NW Kent College, Dartford Campus.

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| 7086/17
Ash, Hodsoil
Street, Ash &
New Ash
Green | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Ash – no report. b. Hodsoil Street – no report c. Ridley – kissing gates have replaced the stiles at the top and bottom of Idleigh Hill. d. New Ash Green 50th Anniversary – a list of people who originally purchased homes from Span and they will be invited to a special meal on 23 September 2017 with talks on New Ash Green from John Newman and Patrick Ellard. |
| 7087/17
Bulletin and
Website | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Bulletin – it was NOTED that the delivery of some Bulletins had been delayed. b. Website - no report. |
| 7088/17
Focus Group
and Police | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. It was NOTED that the next meeting of the Focus Group will be held on 10 April 2017. b. Kent County Council Volunteer Support Warden Scheme – it was NOTED that 26 Local councils have declared an interest and that the recruitment process will run until the end of March, with deployment being in early summer, following training. |
| 7089/17
Lunch
Provision | Cllr Mrs Clucas reported that the Lunch Club has got a few new members. |
| 7090/17
KALC | No report |
| 7091/17
Reports,
Circulars and
Correspond. | The reports, circulars and correspondence as set out in A/02/17 were NOTED. |

The meeting closed at 8.56pm

Signed:
Chairman

Date: