

## **BOBBING PARISH COUNCIL**

### **MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

**Held on Wednesday 4 November 2020**

#### **MEETING HELD VIA 'ZOOM' DUE TO COVID 19 RESTRICTIONS**

**Present:** Cllr. G. Herbert – Chair  
Cllr. R. Ball – Vice-Chair  
Cllr. R. Morgan-Brown  
Cllr. N. Clare  
Cllr. P. England  
Cllr. E. England

Borough Cllr. M. Baldock  
Borough Cllr. C. Woodford  
Lynda Fisher, Clerk

#### **1. Welcome and Apologies for Absence**

The Chair formally welcomed everyone to the Zoom video conferencing meeting. Apologies received and accepted from Parish Cllrs. Major and Randall, Borough Cllr. Hunt, County Cllr. Whiting, the PCSOs (who could not attend due to Kent Police not supporting the use of Zoom because of security) and the Community Warden.

#### **2. Visitors/Public Time**

Residents, County and Borough Councillors, PCSOs and Community Wardens were advised that they could attend as normal but public speaking time might be limited; they were also invited to forward reports/questions to the Clerk beforehand.

- Residents** – None attended, and nothing raised.
- County and Borough Councillors** – County Cllr. Whiting – written report – KCC's dedicated Helpline is for anyone eligible who needs extra financial support to help feed their children. Visit [www.kent.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals](http://www.kent.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals) or call the dedicated helpline on 03000 41 24 24, which is open until 5pm on 22 November to assist families during the half term. The Kent Together helpline is open 24 hrs for Kent residents who needs support with food, collection of medication and prescriptions, etc. during the pandemic; see [www.kent.gov.uk/kenttogether](http://www.kent.gov.uk/kenttogether) or call 03000 41 92 92. Following complaints about the Key Street Roundabout, have asked for a copy of the Independent Stage Three Safety Audit that KCC commissioned recently. A copy will be forwarded Parish Clerks.
- Borough Cllr. Baldock has been looking into some planning issues raised by the Clerk and appraised Members of his findings.
- Community Warden/PCSO** – Community Warden – no report. PCSOs – no reports.

#### **3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

Proposed by Cllr. Clare and seconded by Cllr. Ball, the Minutes of the meeting held on the 7 October 2020 were agreed and the Chair will sign as a true transcript.

#### **4. Declarations of Interest** – None

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

- Sheppey Way (Near Bobbing Apple) – KCC was going to attend a site meeting but due to the Covid Lockdown this had to be postponed. Clerk to re-arrange when permitted. **Action: Clerk**
- Wildflowers and the Bee Plan – agreed to postpone to 2021. **Action: Clerk**

#### **6. Parish Councillors' Reports**

Cllr. Clare advised a very successful Halloween event. Cllr. Ball mentioned the amount of work Cllr. Clare had put into the Halloween event and wanted it recorded that she should be congratulated on it.

Cllr. P. England advised MOAT residents have been reminded that bins must be placed behind the agreed specified fence. Police are dealing with ASB issues.

Cllrs. Ball, and Morgan-Brown – nothing to report.

7. **Correspondence**

1. **Western Area Committee Representative** – Cllr. Clare appointed representative.

8. **Planning Applications**

1. **20/504857/FULL**: Erection of first floor front extension: 42 Keycol Hill Bobbing Kent ME9 8ND – no comments.
2. **20/504880/FULL**: Demolition of rear extension and erection of single storey front and part single, part two storey side extension: 44 Keycol Hill Bobbing Kent ME9 8ND – no comments.

9. **Finance**

1. **Pay Award** – Proposed by Cllr. P. England and seconded by Cllr. N. Clare, agreed Clerk to further advance to on the salary scale to point 23, backdated to the 1<sup>st</sup> April 2020.
2. **Application for grant for Sittingbourne Christmas Lights Association** – Proposed by Cllr. P. England and seconded by Cllr. Clare, agreed S.137 donation of £50. **Action: Clerk**
3. **Benches** – Agreed to ask Steve Wakeling to look at the damaged Parish Council bench in the Churchyard and quote for the necessary work. Bring back to next meeting. **Action: Clerk**
4. **Remembrance Sunday Wreath** – Proposed by Cllr P. England, seconded by Cllr. Clare: agreed under S.137 the purchase of a wreath to include a monetary donation for a total of £35. Cllr. P. England, on behalf of the Parish Council, will lay the wreath at Bobbing Church. **Action: Cllr. P. England/Clerk**
5. **Accounts and Cheques Raised** – Proposed by Cllr. Clare and seconded by Cllr. P. England, Members noted the budget figures, agreed the accounts to the 31 October 2020 and the following cheques were agreed and signed:

Date	Cheque	Details		Amount
04.11.20	0738	L. Fisher	Expenses October: telephone, use of home, 6x1 <sup>st</sup> and 12x2 <sup>nd</sup> Class Stamps	£33.36p
04.11.20	0739	H.M. Revenue & Custom	Tax due for October	£85.40p
04.11.20	0740	N. Clare	Donation – re Grove Park Halloween Event	£70.00p
Three cheques in total				

**Paid by Standing Order:**

Staff Salary – October 2020: £341.98p Paid by Standing Order  
Invicta IT Solutions – Mailboxes & 365 October £52.32p Paid by Standing Order

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

11. **Next Meeting(s)**

Wednesday 2 December 2020, 7.30 p.m. venue depending on Covid-19 situation.

**The meeting closed at 9.38 p.m.**

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

**Signed:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_