

STANSTED PARISH COUNCIL**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 6 JULY 2015 AT FAIRSEAT VILLAGE HALL,
VIGO ROAD, FAIRSEAT AT 8.00 pm**

PRESENT:	Cllr Harry Bott	Chairman
	Cllr Mrs Sheila Goodworth	
	Cllr Michael Osborne	
	Cllr Kevin Sparkes	
	Mrs Roxana Brammer	Clerk
In attendance	Cllr Martin Coffin	Tonbridge & Malling Borough Council
	1 member of the public	

Item *Action point*
Minute no 2015/16/

1 APOLOGIES

125 Apologies for absence were received from

Cllr John Brooker	At work
Cllr Mrs Polly Falconer	At work
Cllr Daren Sefer	On holiday

It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Goodworth, seconded by Cllr Osborne and agreed these apologies be accepted. Apologies for absence were also received from Cllr Mrs Sarah Hohler, Kent County Council and Cllr Robin Betts, Tonbridge and Malling Borough Council.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND ALTERATIONS TO THE REGISTER

126 None.

3 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 1 JUNE 2015

127 It was proposed by Cllr Osborne, seconded by Cllr Mrs Goodworth and agreed the minutes of the meeting held on 1st June 2015 be signed as a true record.

4 MATTERS ARISING

128 No matters were raised.

BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

The Chairman suspended the meeting to allow Cllr Coffin give his report.

Cllr Coffin said that the application for the Vigo Inn, which had already been refused, was going to committee the following Wednesday. There was a legal report which set out the costs. The Borough Council had contributed to the campaign for the improvements of the slip roads at junction 5 on the M25.

The Chairman thanked Cllr Coffin and reconvened the meeting. It was agreed to vary the order of the agenda and bring forward item 9c, Wrotham Bowls Club, while Cllr Coffin was still in attendance.

9 BROWNE'S BEQUEST

129 c Wrotham Bowls Club

Cllr Bott said he had approached owners of Brattons Cottages. Only 2 of the 4 were occupied; nos 3 and 4 and also Ocklynge were unoccupied. The two he had been able to speak to had no objections but had asked questions about parking and also free membership. Cllr Bott said that personally he was in favour of the idea and would go along with a long lease, but not peppercorn rent. He then suspended the meeting to allow Cllr Coffin to speak.

Cllr Coffin advised that the Borough Council was currently in the process of writing a local plan. He suggested that at this stage a planning application should not be submitted but that through him it should be put into the local plan.

The Chairman thanked Cllr Coffin and reconvened the meeting. Cllr Mrs Goodworth asked if there was any room on Wrotham Recreation Ground. After further discussion it was proposed by Cllr Osborne that negotiations continue with the Bowls Club with the possibility of a long lease but at an economic rent. This was seconded by Cllr Sparkes and on a vote being taken, carried by 3 votes for and none against. Cllr Mrs Goodworth did not vote.

5 PLANNING

a Applications

130 i TM/15/01099/FL: Fairseat Farm House, Vigo Road, Fairseat: Demolition of existing side extensions and construction of two storey rear extension; extension and alterations to dwelling roof including dormers to front and rear – revised drawings

No objection

131 b Decisions

The decisions as listed on Appendix A were received.

132 c Enforcement

None at date of agenda

133 d Appeals

None

e Other Planning Issues

134 i Field adjacent to Whitecroft, Vigo Road, Fairseat

Cllr Sparkes reported that there was a brick built area for utility connections.

6 FINANCE**135 a Bank Balances**

The bank balances as listed on Appendix B were noted.

136 b Cheques signed since Last Meeting

None.

137 c Accounts for Payment

It was proposed by Cllr Sparkes, seconded by Cllr Mrs Goodworth and agreed the accounts for payment as listed on Appendix B be paid (cheques 736 – 740), with the addition of £300, Stansted PCC (cheque 741) and £363.60, Park Leisure (742).

7 FUNDING REQUESTS

138 None.

8 MANAGEMENT OF THE COUNCIL'S LAND & PROPERTY**a Recreation Ground**

139 i. General Matters. Nothing to report.

140 ii. Hire of Ground. Bookings had been made for 11th and 19th July and for 8th and 15th August. The Stansted Fête would be held on 5th September.

141 iii. Posts. A site meeting had been held before the start of the meeting. Cllr Osborne suggested metal "tank traps" could replace the posts.

b Playpark

142 Park Leisure had supplied the replacement parts to the installer, who had yet to complete the job.

143 c War Memorial and Garden

In Cllr Sefer's absence, there was no feedback from the approach to the Gardening Club.

144 d Telephone Kiosk

Nothing to report.

145 e Church Bank

It was regretted that Mr Yallop was not present to give an update. There was concern over the length of time the road would be closed.

146 f Village Green Land, Hatham Green Lane and Parsons Lane

Nothing to report.

9 BROWNE'S BEQUEST147 **a General Matters**

Nothing to report.

148 **b Croquet Club**

Nothing to report.

10 HIGHWAYS & TRANSPORT149 **a Crabtree Close, Fairseat**

The Clerk said that she had still not received the draft of a letter to Kent County Council from Roy Barry and would remind him.

150 **b Fence at The Herons, Vigo Road, Fairseat**

Highways were aware of the fence at The Herons in Vigo Road.

11 VILLAGE HALLS151 **a Stansted Village Hall**

Cllr Mrs Goodworth said that the new chairs had been received and the tables were expected. The arrangement of the field for the fête would be changed and the gymkhana would revert to where it had always been in the past.

152 **b Fairseat Village Hall**

Nothing to report.

12 STANSTED SCHOOL153 **a End of an Era Gathering**

Cllr Mrs Goodworth said that there was a function in the Village Hall on the intended date at the end of term and that the school had said it could not be used. The event would therefore not go ahead.

154 **b KCC Lease**

Formal notice had been received from Kent County Council of the determination of the lease for the part of the Recreation Ground used as the school playground.

155 **c Future of Buildings – Diocese of Rochester**

Subsequent to the Council's request for a meeting with the Diocese and their response that a meeting would be inappropriate at this time, as reported at the Council meeting held on 1st June, nothing further had been heard from the Diocese.

156 **d Friends of Stansted School**

Cllr Osborne said that Friends of Stansted School were holding a meeting to wind up the organisation and that they were making arrangements to distribute their funds. Cllr Mrs Goodworth said she knew that Mr Peat was involved.

13 POLICE MATTERS

157 **a Police Representative's Report**

Cllr Mrs Goodworth reported that PCSO Laura Bullen had left to take up another job. She and the Clerk had met the new PCSO, Callum Boyd, who would be attending the September meeting.

158 **b Neighbourhood Watch**

Cllr Mrs Goodworth had nothing to report.

14 BROADBAND

159 Cllr Bott reported that the broadband contract was now signed off. It would take between 9 months and a year. He explained the methodology of the service. Those within 1.5km of the main mast should receive 25mB. It was understood from Mr Durrant that currently his broadband speed was down to 0.2mB

15 WORLD WAR I COMMEMORATIVE BOOKLET

160 Nothing to report.

16 CONSULTATION

161 No documents received.

17 CORRESPONDENCE

162 None.

18 REPORTS & CIRCULARS

163 None.

19 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

164 **a August Walkabout**

The August "walkabout" would be held on Tuesday 11th August, meeting at the Fairseat pond at 6.30 pm.

The Chairman thanked councillors and members of the public for attending and closed the meeting at 9.30pm

SignedChairman

On theday of2015