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MINUTES OF DYMCHURCH PARISH COUNCIL meeting held on
MONDAY, 3rd SEPTEMBER, 2018, at 13 Orgarswick Avenue, Dymchurch

PRESENT: Vice-Chairman Cllr. Roger Wilkins, Cllr. Richard Blackwell, Cllr. John Carr, Cllr. Denise Meyers, Cllr. Thomas Quaye, Cllr. Merlin Redding, Cllr. Russell Tillson Parish Clerk and 6 members of the public.

PRAYERS:

APOLOGIES:

Cllr. Ian Meyers - working

DECLARATION OF INTEREST:

Cllr. Carr declared non pecuniary interest in any matter relating to Day of Syn.

Cllr. Quaye declared non pecuniary interest in any planning application submitted by his father.

Cllr. Blackwell and Cllr. Denise Meyers declared non pecuniary interest in any matter relating to Martello Tower 24.

Proposed by Cllr. Tillson, seconded by Cllr. Blackwell, that the meeting be adjourned for public session. Meeting adjourned at 7.02pm.

QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC:

No formal questions submitted.

Reports from the public:

John Williams queried the Minutes of August 2018 regarding the results of the survey and inquired where he could obtain a copy. Also, reported that Country's Field had been cut twice and asked who the land owner/responsible authority is.

Sheila Jones thanked the parish council for use of its facilities during Day of Syn activities.

Ken Daburn talked through his e-mail to Cllr. Quaye regarding his vision for the pavilion and recreation ground.

Lee Osbourn, offered support for organising activities to assist Mr. Daburn's vision.

Meeting resumed at 7.15pm

APPROVE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING AND MATTERS ARISING.

Proposed by Cllr. Tillson, seconded by Cllr. Blackwell, that the minutes of 6th August, 2018, be approved. All Agreed.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Folkestone-Hythe District Council:

Notification received that the provision of a disabled parking space is being proposed outside 46 Marshlands. Any representations objecting to the Order must be received by 21 Sept.

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Beach Entertainment:

E-mails are continuing to be received praising the beach entertainment and the parish council for funding children's activities. Clerk read a few comments.

Turn the Tide Festival:

Organisers have requested Bulls Field car park be offered free of charge for the event. Matter considered later in the meeting.

Dymchurch and District Heritage Group:

Due to lack of interest shown from members of the WW1 Activities Group, the village hall booking has been cancelled for 11th November, which was due to host events on the day. Council has purchased large poppies for displaying on lamp-posts, a wreath has been ordered for the Cenotaph, and Cllr. Wilkins agreed to obtain wood for lighting the beacon. Cllr. Blackwell is seeking to arrange a singing event prior to lighting the beacon.

Dymchurch Web-cam:

Clerk reported that over 38,000 visits have been made over the last six months. Averaging about 213 per day.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS:

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| Y18/0866/FH | Conversion of existing integral garage to habitable rooms. |
| 51 Lower Sands | Approved by District Council |
| Y18/0606/FH | Single storey rear extension and balcony to first floor. |
| 1 Lower Sands | Withdrawn. |
| Y18/0778/FH | First floor side extension, new porch and pitched roof. |
| 61 Tritton Gardens | Approved by District Council |
| Y18/0106/SH | Sub-division of existing dwelling to form two holiday lets. |
| 97 Hythe Road | Refused. |
| Y18/0981/FH | New roof over garage and front porch & conversion to living accomm. |
| The Haven | Proposed by Cllr. Denise Meyers, seconded by Cllr. Blackwell, that |
| St. Marys Road | No Objection be raised. Voting: Unanimous. |
| Y18/0884/FH | Placement of metal storage container in car park. |
| Masonic Centre | Proposed by Cllr. Tillson, seconded by Cllr. Wilkins, that |
| High Street | No Objection be raised. Voting: Unanimous. |
| Y18/0971/FH | Change of use to keeping caravans, erection of sheds & greenhouse. |
| 36 Orgarswick Ave. | Proposed by Cllr. Quay, seconded by Cllr. Tillson, that |
| | Objection be raised on the grounds of visual impact to |
| | neighbouring properties and dangerous access to the site which is via a |
| | gate immediately facing a bridge in Eastbridge Road. (Contravenes |
| | Policy BE8 and SD1). Voting: Unanimous |

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Y18/0821/FH Single storey rear extension and carport
43 Brockman Cres. Proposed by Cllr. Denise Meyers, seconded by Cllr. Tillson
That no objection be raised. Voting: Unanimous

Y18/0739/FH Single storey extension to garage and side and parking.
1 Sea Wall Proposed by Cllr. Blackwell, seconded by Cllr. Quaye, that
No Objection be raised. Voting: Unanimous

ACCOUNTS:

Proposed by Cllr. Tillson, seconded by Cllr. Denise Meyers, that the monthly accounts be accepted. All agreed. Monthly expenditure: £7814.20

DISTRICT COUNCIL REPORTS:

Cllr. Tillson informed he missed Planning and Licencing Committee when development at Princes Parade, Hythe was approved. He did attend Planning and Licencing Committee when housing development at Ashford Road, New Romney was on the agenda and was instrumental in getting it refused.

Cllr. Wilkins attended both Planning and Licencing Committee meetings.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

Chairman not present at the meeting.

RECEIVE REPORTS ON MEETINGS ATTENDED:

Martello 24 group has held successful meetings with English Heritage. The Tower has attracted over 5000 visitors this season.

REPORTS FROM WORKING PARTIES:

Beach Advisory Group:

Minutes of the meeting had previously been circulated to councillors.

Cllr. Wilkins briefed council on the meeting and recommended that the parish council pursue with the district council the possibility of parking enforcement on EA land at Sea Wall.

Proposed by Cllr. Blackwell, seconded by Cllr. Wilkins, that clerk write to district council accordingly. Voting: Unanimous.

Assets and Amenities:

Notes of the meeting had previously been circulated to councillors.

1.Cllr Tillson reported the Party's recommendations to council:

Proposed by Cllr. Blackwell, seconded by Cllr. Denise Meyers that council approves in principle that maintenance and renewal work at the kiosk will be undertaken, subject to quotes being obtained & council granting approval for the cost & work to proceed. Agreed.

2.The working party continues to support its proposed increased charges at Bull's Field; the matter was discussed under a separate item later at the meeting.

3.Proposed by Cllr. Blackwell, seconded by Cllr. Denise Meyers that free parking for events in the village is detrimental to the parish council's income and sets a precedent for future events. The application for free parking for Turn the Tide be refused. Voting: Unanimous.

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- 4. Council agreed the clerk should meet with legal advisers to discuss the office deeds.
- 5. Council noted the cost of demolition of the pavilion and the budget headings that would provide the funds for such expenditure.
- 6. The suggestion that council should rule out any future over-flow car parking at the recreation ground was withdrawn.
- 7. Proposed by Cllr. Wilkins, seconded by Cllr. Denise Meyers that council agrees to the working party exploring sites for additional well-being equipment. All Agreed.
- 8. Proposed by Cllr. Tillson, seconded by Cllr. Blackwell that the Beach Entertainers be offered a 3-year agreement to provide entertainment at Dymchurch Beach. Voting: Unanimous.
- 9. Proposed by Cllr. Wilkins, seconded by Cllr. Blackwell that the potential to hire bikes at Dymchurch railway station be explored. Voting: Unanimous.

CAR PARK CHARGES 2019:

After debate the following charges were proposed.

Delete 20p for half-hour stay

Up to One hour stay 50p

Up to 3 hours increase to £5

All day parking increase to £10

Resident car park permits increase to £25

Car park permits for those employed in Dymchurch £30

Shops purchasing permits increase to two for £60

Only residents of Dymchurch and those working in Dymchurch to qualify for a permit.

The period for charging to remain from Easter/1 April to October-end, each year.

Proposed by Cllr. Blackwell, seconded by Cllr. Carr that the proposed charges be accepted and that daily car park charges will not be increased for at least 4 years. Voting: Unanimous.

DEMOLITION OF PAVILION:

Recent public consultation identified public support to demolish the pavilion.

Public's first choice of preference to demolish the pavilion gained 40% of votes.

Second choice to use finance from housing development to build a new pavilion received 24%. Third choice to support efforts in the village to raise funds to renovate it received 16%.

Much debate and divided opinions were shared.

Proposed by Cllr. Wilkins, seconded by Cllr. Tillson, to suspend demolition of the pavilion for one year giving opportunity for a community-based organisation to form a Charitable Trust and present a formal business plan to council in an effort to take over the management of the pavilion and will address how funds will be raised to meet every day costs, utility bills, maintenance and repairs. The parish council to reiterate its stance that it will not sanction any further expenditure on the pavilion, other than one-year's revenue expenditure to meet utility costs.

Voting: Unanimous.

Meeting closed at: 9 pm.

Signed:..... Date:.....

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the next meeting of **DYMCHURCH PARISH COUNCIL** will be held on **MONDAY 1st OCTOBER, 2018**, at the Parish Council offices, 13 Orgarswick Avenue.

Members of the Council: You are summoned to attend a meeting of the Council on the date and time and place shown above.

AGENDA

- 1) Receive apologies for absence
- 2) Declaration of Interest (*Councillors should disclose pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest/s in any item/s on this agenda. Councillors with a pecuniary interest must describe and give details of the interest. Unless the pecuniary interest amounts to a prejudicial interest, he/she may participate fully in the meeting.*)
- 3) Questions from the Public:
- 4) Approve the Minutes of the last meeting and discuss matters arising
- 5) Read Correspondence
- 6) Consider Planning Applications
- 7) Consider Payment of Accounts
- 8) District Council Report
- 9) Chairman's Report
- 10) To receive reports on meetings attended
- 11) Reports from Working Parties
- 12) Millennium Field
- 13) Sea Wall Parking
- 14) Car Park Charges /TRO
- 15) Office deed (exclusion of the public)

Gillian H. Smith

Clerk to Dymchurch Parish Council.

