

ROLVENDEN PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the parish council meeting held **TUESDAY 16TH JANUARY 2018, 7.30PM**, The Main Hall, Rolvenden Village Hall for the purpose of transacting the following business.

Present: Cllr Mrs D.Curtain-Vice Chairman, Cllr Mr B.Hindley, Cllr Mr R.Wilcox, Cllr Mr D.Murray-Chairman, Cllr Mr G.Tiltman, Cllr Mrs J.Stace, Cllr Mr M.Hook, Cllr Mr J.Wilkins, Mrs J.Serra-standing in to take the minutes.
Ashford Borough Councillor- Cllr Mr G.Bradford , Mr Peter Setterfield

Apologies for absence were accepted from Cllr Mrs I.Newman as she was ill with flu.

(a) Declarations of Members' Disclosable Interests: under the Localism Act 2011 to be made relating to items on this agenda.- **none**

(b) Declarations of Members' Other Significant Interests under the Kent Code of Conduct adopted in August 2012 by the Parish Council, to be made relating to items on this agenda.- **none**

(c) Declarations of Members' Other Interests: not required to be disclosed under (a) and (b) but voluntary announcements made only for transparency reasons. Cllr Mr M.Hook- member of Weald of Kent Preservation Society & Local History Group. Cllr Mr.J.Wilkins-member of Local History Group and of the Fabric Committee for St.Mary's

383. DRAFT Minutes of the parish council meeting held 12th December 2017, copies previously having been sent to each parish councillor. Cllr Mrs Curtain proposed the minutes be approved as a correct record, seconded by Cllr Mr G.Tiltman. The minutes were signed the Chairman

384. Matters arising from the minutes of the last parish council meeting held 12th December 2017- NONE .

The meeting was suspended to hear from Ashford Borough Councillor –Cllr Mr G.Bradford
Ashford Borough Councillor- Mr G.Bradford was introduced and he spoke about the proposed community well being transport pilot scheme from Ashford Borough which could be introduced in Rolvenden, It would require a community need to be identified and a host organisation to look after the vehicle. Volunteer drivers would also be needed. An interest in the use of a mini bus was expressed by the Cricket Club, Football Club, the Primary School, The Pre-School and the WI. Ward Members' grant could be used to pay for driver's training. Parish councillors were in favour of pursuing the proposed scheme to have the use of a mini bus for the village. The Parish Council agreed for two councillors to attend the meeting that Cllr Mr Bradford was to have with Ashford Borough Council on Wednesday 31st January
Cllr Mr Bradford was thanked for coming to the meeting and informing parish councillors of Ashford Borough's proposed community well being transport scheme.

Following the departure of Cllr Mr G.Bradford the meeting returned to the agenda

385. Public Participation- This is an opportunity for members of the public to speak prior to the beginning of the business of the main Parish Council Meeting- No members of the public present.
This session is at the discretion of the Chairman and will be limited to two minutes per individual unless the subject in question warrants further time. The session does not form part of the official minutes.

386. Planning- *all related matters*

(i) Applications for CONSULTATION received from Ashford Borough 13th December 2017 to 9th January 2018 - NONE received.

(ii) Application for CONSULTATION received from Ashford Borough 9th January 2018-16th January 2018 was accepted and considered.

18/00052/AS. Farnell Farm, Sandhurst Lane, Rolvenden, Cranbrook,Kent TN17 4PH
Application for prior notification of proposed agricultural development for alteration of existing agricultural barn to add a roller shutter door and personnel door with new gravel in front of roller shutter door and for tractor turning area- to return:- No comments

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(iii) Consent GRANTED by Ashford Borough to applications to be accepted and considered. None notified

(iv) **Notice** of submission and examination of Ashford Local Plan 2030 to the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government for Independent Examination to view online- www.ashford.gov.uk/local-plan-2030 - for information-noted

(v) **Barratt Field** – Pavilion Project- parish council to send a third letter to the Football Club requesting sight of their lease with a deadline for their reply – agreed by parish councillors. Cllr Mr B.Hindley declaring his interest as President of the Cricket Club commented on other facilities needed in the parish.

(vi) Planning related issues not raised elsewhere on this agenda to be accepted and considered.

[a] **Halden Field**- The Chairman had sent a formal letter to Ashford Borough following official complaints from residents about night time work. Nothing has been done about lorries damaging the verges.

[b] **Rolvenden Neighbourhood Plan**: There were 80 copies of the questionnaires remaining thus a great number still to be returned.

387. Kent Highways- all related matters

(i) **Verge** opposite Village Hall- update on parking situation. –cones have been placed on the side of the verge to allow ground to recover. No persons from the markets would deal with putting out cones on the road

(ii) **Gulley** at Bull Corner- needs to be cleaned it was missed in the recent cleaning session.-the matter has been reported

(iii) **Other** Highway related issues accepted and considered [a] Footway on Maytham Road- reported work being done. Parish council thanked an anonymous resident for clearing the leaves from the path on Maytham Road.

388. Future Parish Council Meetings- new Hirers had cancelled their booking in the hall this month thus assessing the level of noise did not happen. Alternative arrangements for future meetings for the second Wednesday of the month was not suitable for the majority of parish councillors. To hold future parish council meetings in the Church was also discounted. Next month's meeting to be held in the Pre-School Room and to assess the level of noise from the anticipated dance class.

389. Other Matters for Information: *issues can be raised which involve no more than an exchange of information. NO DECISIONS can lawfully be made on matters raised under this exchange[LGA1972sch12]*

[a] Cllr Mr G.Tiltman has planted a lot of bulbs around the village.

[b] Mrs Hedley did not attend the meeting as she could not offer her time as a locum clerk, however this service had been offered by Mr Setterfield.

[c] There were no other matters raised.

According to the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 the meeting was then closed due to the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted and all non members, press and public were instructed to withdraw.

The meeting closed 10.10pm

Prepared by Mrs J.Serra
22nd January 2018