

FRINDSBURY EXTRA PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE VIRTUAL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 20 AUGUST 2020

PRESENT: Cllr Chris Sparks Chairman
 Cllr Andrew Millsom
 Cllr Geoff Moore
 Cllr Mrs Elizabeth Turpin

 Miss Emma Flewin Assistant Clerk

In Attendance Mrs Anne Roscow Footpaths Officer

Item

Minute 2020/21/

Action point

1 APOLOGIES

111 Apologies for absence were received from

Cllr David Coomber	Lack of suitable IT facilities – with dispensation
Cllr Mrs Sheila Noise	Lack of IT facilities – with dispensation
Cllr Peter Martin	Zoom IT fault
Cllr Gary Etheridge	At a meeting of Medway Council
Cllr John Williams	At a meeting of Medway Council
Cllr Ope Onimole	Work commitments

It was proposed by Cllr Sparks, seconded by Cllr Moore and agreed these apologies be accepted. An apology for absence was also received from Mrs Roxana Brammer, Parish Clerk.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

112 None.

3 ANY OTHER BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE

113 None.

4 PLANNING

114 **a Applications**

None.

115 **b Consultation on the Government's White Paper on Planning**

Cllr Sparks reported that he would be attending a meeting on the Government's White Paper on planning. Information would then be sent out to Parish Councillors to give comments. The deadline for comments was the 17th September and the response would be delegated to the Clerk in consultation with Cllr Sparks.

5 RECREATION GROUND PLAYPARK GATES AND FENCE

- 116 Cllr Sparks reported that the self-closure on one of the gates at the playpark on the Recreation Ground was broken. The fence and gates were now more than 25 years old and were no longer up to current standards. There were several options: replacement of the self-closing mechanism; replacement of the gate as it was; replacement of both gates to modern standards that would mean alterations to the fence, which would remain uncompliant with current standards and replacement of the entire fence and gates, which would comply. The Clerk had quotations for the options from one company but in her absence she could not report them. It was agreed quotations for all options be sought from two more suppliers.

6 COCKHAM WOOD COMMUNITY PARK

- 117 Cllr Sparks reported that Medway Council had acquired some land in Hoo and planned to create a community park. The Council should consider whether some of its woodland could be part of the project. He had looked Land Registry data and noted the Council's land did not interconnect with the potential community park. Medway Yacht Club and Ward Homes owned the land in between. As a member of the Yacht Club Cllr Moore was asked if he would approach the owners to arrange a meeting to discuss if they would be interested in being part of the scheme in some way and Cllr Sparks would contact Ward Homes to discuss the same. He would also speak to Martin Hall of Medway Council. After discussion, councillors expressed their keenness to engage in the scheme and if possible as would to include the woodland as an asset to the residents of the parish and especially the residents of Upnor.

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 8.15 pm

Signed *Cllr Chris Sparks* Chairman

On the 24 day of September 2020