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**MINUTES OF DYMCHURCH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held on  
MONDAY, 15th MAY, 2017, at 13 Orgarswick Avenue, Dymchurch**

**PRESENT:**

Chairman Cllr. Roger Wilkins, Vice-Chairman Cllr. Russell Tillson, Cllr. Richard Blackwell, Cllr. Arran Harvey, Cllr. Karen Lewis, Cllr. Denise Meyers, Cllr. Ian Meyers, Cllr. Terry Mullard, Cllr. Merlin Redding.  
14 members of the public & parish clerk.

**APOLOGIES:**

None.

**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:**

None.

Proposed by Cllr. Tillson, seconded by Cllr. Harvey, that the meeting be adjourned for public session. All Agreed. Meeting adjourned at 7.35pm.

**PUBLIC SESSION:**

Ms. Sally Cook expressed disappointment that the Minutes of the APM, did not fully represent her view and requested the Minutes be changed.

David Young expressed disappointment that the sketch for the car park did not raise questions at the APM. He also expressed concern that a development at the car park was unlikely to fund a new build at the recreation ground.

Ms. Deana Coker asked when did the pavilion and recreation ground become a burden on the ratepayer and on what dates were the land purchased and a pavilion built.

John Williams enquired when the public would be able to discuss the sketch proposal for the car park and also raised the problem of broken bottles and litter/waste on the seawall.

Mr. Dudley enquired if the parish council had submitted a pre-planning advice request to KCC after the APM.

Meeting resumed at: 8pm.

**APPROVE MINUTES OF LAST MEETING AND MATTERS ARISING:**

Proposed by Cllr. Tillson, seconded by Cllr. Ian Meyers that the minutes of the meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> April, 2017 be approved. Carried.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Rural Kent Membership is due for renewal. Council agreed to let the membership lapse.

**PLANNING APPLICATIONS:**

**Y17/0074/SH**                      Erection of first floor rear extension  
20 Tudor Ave.                      Approved by SDC

**Y17/0155/SH**                      Re-pollard of poplar tree situated within a conservation area.  
Open space,                      No Objection.  
Sycamore Gdns.

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**Y17/0392/SH**

77 Tritton Gdns.

Erection of single storey side extension & garage.

Proposed by Cllr. Mullard, seconded by Cllr. Tillson,  
That No Objection be raised.

Voting: For: 9 Against:0 Abstentions:0 Interest declared:0

**Y17/0491/SH**

New Beach Holiday  
Village

Replacement clubhouse incorporating reception, sales room, arcade

Proposed by Cllr. Mullard, seconded by Cllr. Ian Meyers, that

No Objection be raised, but consideration be given to appropriate  
Landscaping at the site.

Voting: For: 9 Against:0 Abstentions:0 Interest declared:0

**Y17/0413/SH**

29 Lower Sands

Erection of single storey rear extension & demolition of conservatory

Proposed by Cllr. Mullard, seconded by Cllr. Ian Meyers, that  
No Objection be raised.

Voting: For: 9 Against:0 Abstentions:0 Interest declared:0

#### **PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS:**

Proposed by Cllr. Tillson, seconded by Cllr. Wilkins, that the accounts be accepted. All Agreed.

Cllr. Mullard raised a query regarding staff salaries. Cllr. Blackwell raised a point of order and proposed the item be considered in private. Chairman agreed to defer the item to later in the meeting.

Staff:	1828.18
HMR&C:	705.45
Caxton House Ltd.	17.10
KCC Playing Fields	20.00
Keith Rouse	95.00
Veolia ES (UK)	69.58
BT	145.92

#### **DISTRICT COUNCIL REPORT:**

Cllr. Meyers informed he is now Leader of the opposition at District Council. He has recently attended a meeting regarding renewable energy options for Otterpool Park and briefed council on options available.

Cllr. Wilkins has attended Development and Planning and Licencing Committee Meetings.

#### **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:**

Chairman requested Cllrs. to read and observe Standing Orders, Financial Regulations and Code of Conduct. Copies were tabled for each councillor. The new Good Councillor Guide is to be released shortly and copies will be purchased for every councillor. Chairman requested councillors to pull together and stop sending derogatory e-mails to each other.

#### **TO RECEIVE REPORTS ON MEETINGS ATTENDED:**

Friends of Martello Tower 24. Cllr. Denise Meyers informed the Trust is close to opening the Tower. The agreement is with English Heritage for signature. It is hoped the Tower will be

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open for mid-July, opening times will be Saturday and Sunday and Bank Holiday Mondays. There are 19 volunteers willing to give their time to act as guardians to the Tower and training volunteers will commence shortly. Chairman commended the work of Trustees.

**TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM WORKING GROUPS:**

**Beach Advisory Group:** Minutes had been circulated prior to the meeting. Cllr. Tillson informed there was no representation from SDC at the meeting, but Kent Special Branch has agreed to join the group and will be represented by Rachel Marshall, Ports Engagement Officer.

**MARSH FORUM:**

Cllr. Blackwell briefed council on the recent meeting and addressed the draft constitution that had been forwarded to councillors prior to the meeting. Proposed by Cllr. Blackwell, seconded by Cllr. Tillson that the draft constitution be forwarded to the KALC to obtain its validity. Voting: Unanimous.

**PERSONNEL MATTERS: (exclusion of public)**

Report forwarded to councillors prior to the meeting was discussed. Proposed by Cllr. Blackwell, seconded by Cllr. Meyers that the situation remain status quo for the time being. Voting: Unanimous. Payments to HMR&C were clarified.

Meeting closed at: 9.05pm

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

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the next meeting of **DYMCHURCH PARISH COUNCIL** will be held on **MONDAY, 5<sup>th</sup> JUNE, 2017**, at the Parish Council offices, 13 Orgarswick Avenue.

## **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) Public Session
- 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) To receive reports from Working Groups
- 12) Eastbridge Road
- 13) Marsh Forum
- 14) Any other business (at Chairman's discretion)

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Clerk to Dymchurch Parish Council.