



**Minutes of the Meeting on 4<sup>th</sup> June 2018 at 19.30 hrs.  
Appledore Village Hall**

**Present**

Cllrs: James Perkins (Chairman), Roger Hiskey, Charles Wilkinson, Chris Vane and Derek Winter.  
In Attendance: County Cllr Mike Hill, Borough, Cllr. Mick Burgess (arrived at item 6) and the Clerk Mary Philo.

Members of the Public: 3

**1. Formalities**

- I) The council was quorate. LGA Act 1972 sch12, 12/28/45
- II) Apologies had been received from Cllrs Hennig and Jenkins. LGA Act 1972 sch12, 12
- III) Declarations of interest and dispensations: None. Code of Conduct

**2. Approval of Draft minutes**

**It was resolved to agree the minutes of the meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> May 2018 as a true record.**

Proposed Cllr Hiskey and seconded Cllr Winter. LGA Act 1972 sch12,19.1

**The meeting was adjourned at 19.37 hrs.**

**Report by County Cllr Hill**

**Potholes** – Highways was stilling working on repairing potholes from the winter. It would be some time before the task was completed.

**Buses – Big Conversation** – The county council are looking for ideas and suggestions on how to provide and improve rural transport. There would be a public meeting and consultation as well as parish seminars for council members.

**Public Questions**

**Change of use planning permission** – A resident was directed to the Ashford Borough Council Planning enquiries email contact to ascertain a property's commercial listing.

**Appledore Magazine** – The magazine editor had stepped down.

**Residential Enabling Car Park /Crown Estate**

Progress has been halted again due to technical issues with the archaeological report.

**PCSO Katherine Smith Report** – Further speed checks had been carried out and 3 tickets had been issued

**The meeting was reconvened at 19.47 hrs.**

**3. Finances**

I) As at 31<sup>st</sup> May 2018 the balance stood at £40,250.21.

II) Income received:

£ 85.48 Public donations from the toilets – grand total £1,339.97

II) Cheques raised since the last meeting:

£ 968.73 May salaries

II) It was resolved to draw the following:

£ 57.46 M Philo Admin Costs: Room £30, Car £ 23.40, 7 x second class stamps £4.06.

#### 4. Planning

Town and Country Planning Acts 1990 sch1/2010

I) Ashford Borough Decisions Advised:

a) 18/00255/AS -Bailey's Place Nursery, Heath Road: Proposed detached dwelling, change of use of land to residential and proposed highways access – Permitted.

II) New applications for A.P.C. to consider and vote on: None

#### 5. It was resolved to increase the Clerk pay as per the national agreement as at 1<sup>st</sup> April 2018

Proposed Cllr. Winter and seconded Cllr. Vane.

#### 6. Council Field Update

Local Authority traffic department had approved the proposed new access for the field development and National Power Network had also approved the power connection. A preapplication would soon be submitted. It was suggested that work on a contract should be started by solicitors.

Cllrs Vane and Perkins had taken further steps looking at the viability of a Heritage Centre with café/restaurant. Their report is attached. When all these issues are taken together Cllrs Vane and Perkins believed that taking on the heritage centre would put the council at too great a financial risk. It was noted that the original intention had been that the funds from the sale would have been used to improve the village hall. The meeting was closed at 20.07 hrs for public comment. The future of a cycle path from the village to the station was questioned. The developer of 1 The Street still seemed interested in turning the building into a facility including a cycling stop forming part of a cycle route along the military canal. The meeting was reconvened at 20.10 hrs. The village hall improvements would be able to provide a home and storage for Appledore History Society. **It was resolved that the Heritage Centre would NOT be included as one of the capital projects to be funded from the funds from the sale of the council field.** Proposed by Cllr Vane and seconded by Cllr Perkins.

**The meeting was adjourned at 20.11hrs Cllr. Mick Burgess to take any questions.**

The commercial listing query was mentioned.

**The meeting was reconvened at 20.11hrs,**

#### 7. Battle's Over

**It was resolved to refund the group (T. Morgan) £50 for a banner publicising the event.** A

cheque was signed at the meeting. As a working party of the council, the group benefited from the council insurance but all funds would be held by the parish council and payments would be agreed by the full council. The full council had already agreed £500 towards the event. Should the working party need further funding the group would have to approach the full council. In order to be able to refund members of the group, **it was resolved to delegate to the Clerk the power to authorise payments up to a total of £500.** Proposed Cllr Winter and seconded by Cllr Wilkinson.

#### 8. Highways and Byways

I) **Route Study** – The original 2017 list of desired highways improvements had been reviewed and updated to include 30mph speed limits at all the entrances into the village. This had been forwarded to highways in readiness for the meeting on the 26<sup>th</sup> June.

II) **Potholes on Military Road** – Various people spoke of the very large potholes on this road that had yet to be repaired or marked.

**9. Information for Councillors**

**K6 Phone Kiosk** – W Tollets had confirmed that the restoration work would be completed by the 20<sup>th</sup> June 2018.

**Best in Bloom Bin outside the village hall**– A further blacksmith had been contacted and had advised that it would be a more reasonable price if the plaque on the bin was removed and put onto a new item such as a wall flower basket or a planter.

**Queen’s Birthday Tree and memorial benches** – The Clerk had received an email detailing the reasons for the time taken to process the request and included the option being considered of passing on the land to the parish council to deal with public liability and maintenance/inspection issues. Clerk to forward email to members.

**May 2019 Council Re-election** – The first meeting of the new council (its annual meeting) had to be held within 14 days after members take office (election result day).

**10. Date of Next Meeting**

2<sup>nd</sup> July 2018 19.30hrs in the village hall. The meeting closed at 20.30hrs.