



**Minutes of the Meeting on Thursday 29th June 2017
at 19.30hrs. Methodist Chapel**

Present

Cllrs: James Perkins (Chair), Helen Hennig, Charles Wilkinson, Chris Vane and Derek Winter.

In Attendance: Clerk Mary Philo.

Members of the Public: 1. Meeting commenced at 19.40hrs awaiting clerk.

1. Formalities

I) The council was quorate.

LGA Act 1972 sch12, 12/28/45

II) Cllr. 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 5th June 2017 as a true record, with the following amendment: Report by County Cllr. Mike Hill – ‘The county council had 40 new members and the conservative majority was 81 members against 67.’ replaced with – ‘The county council had 40 new members and the conservative party had 81 members.’

Proposed Cllr. Wilkinson and seconded Cllr. Vane.

LGA Act 1972 sch12,19.1

The meeting was adjourned for public forum.

Councillor vacancy – Following a query, it was advised that Ashford Borough Council had informed the parish council. that no by-election had been requested. Since then, an advertisement had been placed on the noticeboards and would appear in the parish magazine in July and August. The cut-off date would be the 15th August, so a decision could be made at the September parish council meeting.

Submission of council owned field to the 2030 Local Plan – In response to a request for clarification as to the original submission date of the field, it was advised that the original, in principle, decision to put forward the field had been made in 2011. At that time, it had been believed that planning permission would only be successfully granted through the Local Plan. Since then central government policy on planning had changed. Ashford Borough Council had held the information on file and re-approached Appledore Parish Council for re-confirmation in 2016. The Local Plan had been through its first review and the council field had been included as a residential development. The first public consultation had been completed and an amended plan would shortly be open for the second public consultation. The council field was still included within it. The plan would be completed with the approval of the Planning Inspector, which was scheduled for Spring 2018.

The meeting was reconvened at 20.00 hrs

4. This item was brought forward.

During a discussion of the item, the clerk advised that should the Recreation Ground Committee request to use the field for parking in future, the clerk would require the risk assessment to be forwarded earlier. **It was resolved to permit Appledore Recreation Ground Management Committee to use the council owned field as additional parking during the Vintage Vehicle**

Rally on the 16th July 2017. A copy of the Public Liability Insurance in place for the event and risk assessment had been provided.

Proposed by Cllr. Perkins and seconded by Cllr. D. Winter

LGA 1972 s 111

5. This item was brought forward

Information

Donations from the Public Conveniences – The road works to join Magpie Farm Development to the main road service ducts had meant the toilets and its roadside had been totally inaccessible. Donations had fallen as a result.

Magpie Farm Service Connection to main road – There was still an open road area around the connection in front of the access to the council field. The Clerk to enquire whether this would be filled in by the 16th July for the car rally.

6. This item was brought forward.

Date of Next Meeting

Monday 6th July 2017 17.30 hrs, Appledore Village Hall.

3. **Pursuant to section 10 of the Public bodies (Admissions) Act 1960, it was resolved that, because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, the public and press leave the meeting during the consideration of:**

Review of procedures and options with regard to the council owned field.

Proposed by Cllr. Vane and seconded by Cllr. Winter

Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960/Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014/ LGA 1972 100A/sch12A part1, 3

Cllrs. Vane and Perkins reported on their findings and a discussion was held on presenting the options at the next public meeting.