



Minutes of the Meeting on 3rd June 2019 at 19.30 hrs. Appledore Village Hall

Present

Councillors: James Perkins (Chair), Helen Hennig, Roger Hiskey, Lyndsey Jenkins, Charles Wilkinson, Chris Vane and Derek Winter.

In Attendance: Borough Councillor Mick Burgess and the Clerk Mary Philo.

Members of the Public: 6

1. Formalities

I) The council was quorate (LGA Act 1972 sch12, 12/28/45).

II) Apologies had been received from Councillor Hill and PCSO Katherine Smith (LGA Act 1972 sch12, 12)

III) Declarations of interest and dispensations: None (Code of Conduct).

2. Approval of Draft minutes

Following amendment, it was resolved to agree the minutes of the meeting held on 15th May 2019 as a true record. Proposed Councillor Hennig and seconded Councillor Winter. LGA Act 1972 sch12,19.1

The meeting was adjourned at 19.40 hrs.

Report by Borough Councillor Burgess

Road Closure- The road through Stone was currently closed for a water leak repair.

Community Transport – Woodchurch would be getting its own community bus. Councillor Burges to forward information.

Public Questions

Draft Minutes – A request was made for the draft minutes to be posted sooner.

Defibrillator for Appledore Train Station – The council was reminded of the request to look into sourcing one.

The meeting was reconvened at 19.40 hrs.

3. Finances

I) As at 31st May 2019 the balance stood at £49,149.76.

II) Income received:

£ 26.16 Public donations from the toilets

£ 3.54 Bank interest

III) Cheques raised since the last meeting:

£ 930.88 May salaries

IV) Agreement of cheques to be drawn:

£ 9.28 Pett PC: June Clerk's Mobile share (no vat) plus 8p for April as charge increased.

£ 53.40 M Philo Admin Costs: Room £30, Car £23.40

4. Planning (Town and Country Planning Acts 1990 sch1/2010)

I) Ashford Borough Decisions Advised:

- a) 19/000421/AS Court Barn Court Lodge Road: Relocation of existing drive, new driveway and hard standing, new 5-bar gate removal of hedging with amended description - Permitted

5. External Affairs – Report by Councillor Hiskey

Ashford Joint Parishes Planning Committee (06.05.2019)

The committee had already begun discussions as they wished to have earlier involvement in the next update of the Local Plan. They were looking at defining an urban ring around Ashford.

Kent Association of Local Council: Ashford Area (29.05.2019)

The meeting included two presentations. Acting Chief Inspector Brittenden covered crime statistics and the new policeman for Ashford Town Centre. Simon Jones, Director of Highways Kent reviewed highways maintenance and highlighted the importance of every parish having an improvement plan. The template for the plan would be passed on to Councillors Hennig and Wilkinson.

Community Transport (Big Conversation)

The new community bus service will start on the 17th June. Robert Clarke had promised £50 towards the cost of a leaflet specific to Appledore to be printed and delivered to every house. The current service provided by Hams will cease the Friday before. Information on the service to be placed in the parish magazine.

6. Highways and Byways

I) Highways officers had notified the council of an additional £500 over and above the contingency sums in their quote for the proposed improvement works. Councillors to query this again.

II) Councillor Hennig will look at the overgrown hedges on School Road.

7. Village Hall Report

The Annual General Meeting will be 12th June 7pm in the hall. The film night had been very well attended. Sports screenings were being considered.

8. Training

KALC was offering councillor training for new and existing councillors, planning training and social media. The council does not currently use social media. Councillor Hennig to attend planning.

9. Information for Councillors

New Bin outside the Church – Following discussion, the new bin would be left where it was.

1 The Street untidy front – The developer would start work very shortly depending upon the approval of conditions to planning.

Parking for Car Rally – The recreation ground to be advised of the developer's contact details.

Police Crime Report – It would appear from the report that Appledore is a safe place to live in Kent.

Code of Conduct – Following investigation, the Code of Conduct did not need updating.

10. Date of Next Meeting

1st July 2019, 19.30hrs in the village hall. The meeting closed at 20.15 hrs