

SALTWOOD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 5th July 2021 at 6.30 pm at Saltwood C/E School

Present : Cllrs Boland (in the Chair), Johnson & Matthews

In attendance : Mr. G Eaton, Clerk to the Council, and FHDC Cllr Martin

Action by:

1 Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Cllrs Russill-Roy, Sadler & Carter and KCC Cllr Love

2 Registering declarations of interest in items on the Agenda

There were no declarations of interests in items on the Agenda

3 Minutes of the last Meeting

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 7th June 2021 were unanimously approved and signed by the Chairman

4 Matters arising

There were no matters arising of note

5 Reports

FHDC Cllr Martin gave his report which covered the new waste and recycling collection service, an update on the Otterpool development and the District's housing survey which is currently being undertaken

6 Finance

a/ To receive Bank balances

The Clerk reported the bank balances as at 30th June 2021 –

	£
Community (current) account	7943.65
Business Manager (savings) account	1246491

The balances were unanimously approved

b/ To approve invoices presented for payment

The following invoices were approved for payment –

	£
G Eaton, Clerk's salary & expenses	259.20
Inland Revenue, Clerk's tax (x3 months)	164.57 *
Saltwood C/E School, hall hire	25.00

* As the Clerk is an employee of the Parish Council his monthly salary has tax deducted. Every 3 months the tax deducted has to be paid over to the Inland Revenue

c/ To consider the appointment of Internal Auditor for 2021/2022

After a discussion it was agreed to appoint Lionel Robbins as Internal auditor for 2021/2022

7 Adjournment of Meeting for Public Inclusion

There were no members of the public present

8 Planning & Enforcement

New Planning application

21/1344 – erection of ground floor porch and single storey first floor extension
44 Bartholomew Lane, CT21 4BX

The Parish Council had no objections to this application

9 Telephone Box/Defibrillator

Cllr Boland reported that the defibrillator and cabinet had been ordered and that the adoption of the phone box was in process

10 Playpark

There was a discussion about the concrete goal posts which had again been removed. It was agreed to ask Safeplay to reset the posts as they were an immediate health and safety concern

Cllr Johnson

11 Website and Parish email facility

There was nil of note to report

12 Correspondence

Email received from FHDC advising that the Parish Council can co-opt to the vacancy on the Council

Email received from FHDC re Planning Forum to be held on 8th July at 5.00 pm

Letter received from The Pensions Regulator re automatic enrolment duties. The Clerk was asked to complete the online declaration of compliance **Clerk**

Website contact form received from Parishioner complaining about excessive speeding on Castle Road North. There was a general discussion about the problem which is Parish-wide. It was agreed that the Clerk should acknowledge and raise the matter with KCC Cllr Love at the September Meeting **Clerk**

Telephone call received from a Parishioner complaining about a large tree outside her house. It was agreed that quotes should be sought to have the tree/hedge cut back. Cllr Matthews kindly agreed to obtain a quote **Cllr Matthews**

13 Any Other Business

There was a discussion about a green telecoms cabinet that had recently been installed on The Green by 'Trooli' apparently under permit from KCC. It was agreed that Cllr Boland would investigate issues around ownership of the land on which it had been sited. A further discussion would then take place to agree how to proceed **Cllr Boland**

14 Date of next Meeting

It was agreed that the next Parish Council Meeting would be held on 6th September 2021 at 6.30 pm at Saltwood C/E School

There being no other business the Meeting closed at 7.40 pm