

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF SALTWOOD PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY, 07 NOVEMBER 2016 AT THE DEEDES ROOM, SALTWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL.

PRESENT: Cllr. D. Kenyon-Vaughan (Chairman), Cllr. N. Matthews (Vice-Chairman),
Cllr. A. Ling and Cllr. Mrs. L. Spice.

In attendance – Cllr. David Owen – Hythe Ward Member.

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- 122. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** - Apologies received and accepted from Cllr. Mrs. S. Ware, Cllr. J. Stevens and Cllr. Miss L. Sadler.
Apologies were also received from Cllr. Miss S. Carey (KCC-Elham Valley).

123. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None

124. MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 03 OCTOBER 2016

The Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held on the 03 October 2016 having been circulated were taken as a true record of the meeting and signed by the Chairman. Proposed by Cllr. N. Matthews and seconded by Cllr. D. Kenyon-Vaughan.

125. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THE 03 OCTOBER 2016. No matters raised.

126. REPORTS – (a) County Councillor Miss S. Carey - Report read out by the Chairman.

KCC has launched an information campaign about its budget for the next three years. Since 2010 KCC has made savings of over £500m to meet rising costs, reduced government grant and increase demand for social care. It is estimated KCC need a further £80m of savings next year, more if council tax is not raised. Further information can be viewed on KCC website (www.kent.gov.uk).

(b) District Councillor's Report: Cllr. D. Owen reported on the following matters -

- (i) the District Council's Places and Policies Local Plan: Preferred Options was out for public consultation.
- (ii) Ward Profiles and Ward Plans not to be continued.
- (ii) Ward Member grants funding to be increased from £1500 to £3000 per member next year.
- (iv) Community Chest Fund –disappointing that KCC funding this year cut by £45,000 and no funding for next year.
- (v) Ward Profiles and Ward Plans not to be continued but replaced by Shepway Profile and Action Plan.
- (vi) Empty Homes brought back into occupation in 2015/2016 was 44 and this year will be 30.
- (vii) Grass Cutting - SDC is contracted by KCC to cut verges throughout the District for up to 12 cuts per year. KCC are reducing the budget for grass cutting by 30% which would mean only paying for 6 cuts per year. The Cabinet have agreed to continue cutting verges up to 12 times per year and negotiate a new two year contract with KCC.

127. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING FOR PUBLIC INCLUSION:

Mr. D. Carrera of School Road referred to Agenda item 16 of the meeting and said that residents of School Road would support an extension of the 20mph zone through the village.

128. PLANNING – (a) Planning applications –

Y16/0712/SH – Elm Lea Residential Home, 17 Bartholomew Lane, Hythe. Extension to care home to provide 16 additional rooms and extension of communal lounge and dining facilities, together with new vehicular access and associated car parking. **Saltwood Parish Council object – over development of the site and insufficient car parking spaces being provided.**

Planning applications (contd.)

Y16/1142/SH – The Field, Rectory Lane, Saltwood – Works to trees situated within a Conservation Area comprising – apple: reduce height by 1.5 metres and lateral by 2 metres; Sycamore: crown lift 5 metres; Holly: rolling consent to trim and shape annually for a maximum period of ten years.

No objection subject to any comments of the District Council's Tree Officer.

Y16/1128SH – 11A Freshfield Lane, Saltwood. Certificate of lawful development (proposed) for the installation of a side dormer. **No objection**

Y16/1096/SH – High Meadow, Sandling road, Saltwood. Various pruning works to a Hawthorn and a Copper Beech both subject of Tree Preservation Order No.8 of 2015. **No objection to the proposed tree works.**

(b) – Other planning matters –

Y16/0831/SH – 26 Grange Road, Saltwood. Amended plans and elevations for erection of single and two storey extensions to front, side and rear. Shepway District Council to be informed that Saltwood Parish Council still consider that the proposed works are not in keeping with the street scene and style of existing properties.

SDC Places and Policies Local Plan preferred options – Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 and regulation 18 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 – consultation document circulated to Members. Closing date for submission of comments 18 November 2016.

129. FINANCE:

(a) To receive balances at 07 November 2016 -

HSBC – Community Account	£500.00
HSBC – Business Account	£12,140.05
Nat. Savings Investments	£983.42

(b) Accounts presented for payment --

1000165 – Mr. W. Kempson – plants for War memorial	£10.00
1000166 - Saltwood Primary School – Hire of room for Parish Council meeting 07.11.2016	£12.00

Following a proposal by Cllr. Mrs. L. Spice, seconded by Cllr. N. Matthews the above payments were agreed.

130. SALTWOOD PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS - The Chairman confirmed that he had cancelled the Parish Council's booking for the Committee Room at the Village Hall for Parish Council meetings.

131. CHILDRENS' PLAY PARK:

(a) Update on repairs to Boogie Tower – No reply received from Playdale Playgrounds Ltd. re. carrying out repairs to Boogie Tower which was still under warranty. Cllr. Mrs. Spice to chase firm for reply.

(b) Cutting back of trees and shrubs – Reported that reply to request for quotation awaited.

132. SALTWOOD VILLAGE GREEN :

(a) Notice Board – It was agreed obtain quotations for re-varnishing the Notice Board

(b) Village sign – Quotations to be obtained for repainting the Village Sign.

133. CHRISTMAS TREE ON VILLAGE GREEN:

The Clerk reported that "Carols" on the Village Green would be held on Tuesday, 13 December 2016 and arrangements would be made for the Christmas tree to be erected by staff from the Brockhill Country Park.

134. REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY:

The Clerk reported that all arrangements for the service at the War Memorial on Remembrance Sunday were complete. Consent had been received to close the road during the service from outside “The Homestead”, The Green to the junction with Rectory Lane.

135. OTTERPOOL PARK:

The Chairman reported that Shepway District Council was planning a series of workshops during November in Lympe, Stanford and Sellindge to provide an update on progress and hold a discussion around what people particularly like about the area and what can be improved. The event would be open to all local residents, business and any others with an interest. Dates to be notified. Also Councillors were informed about the details of SDC’S invitation to a self and custom build event to be held at the Civic Centre on the 01 December 2016 from 10.30 a.m to 3.30 p.m.

136. LORRY PARK UPDATE: Nothing further to report.

137. EXTENSION OF 20 MPH THROUGH VILLAGE:

Following discussion on a proposal to extend the School Road 20mph zone through the village, it was proposed by Cllr. Mrs. L. Spice, seconded by Cllr. N. Matthews and agreed that the Parish Council write to Kent Highways requesting that consideration be given to extending the 20mph zone from the junction of School Road including around the Village Green and Sandling Road as far as the junction of this road with Darky Lane.

138. BUS SHELTERS:

The Chairman reported that an email had been received from Mr. D. Bruce from KCC Public Transport reporting that at a recent meeting of the Shepway 50+ Forum a resident from Saltwood had raised a request for bus shelters within the village. As the provision of bus shelters was a Shepway District Council function and in some instances Parish Councils he had agreed to raise the issue at the Shepway Quality Bus Partnership (QBP) which had representation from Shepway District Council. At a recent QBP meeting Shepway District Council had advised that they did not have budget to deliver any shelters this year and only had a maintenance budget. Mr. Bruce had written to Saltwood Parish Council as he wished the Parish Council to be aware of the request in case it was something the Parish might wish to pursue directly. It was agreed to write to Shepway District Council for there views on the possibility of erecting a bus shelter at one of the two bus stops in Saltwood – the Village Green and Brockhill Road, adj. Bartholomew Lane.

139. OTHER CORRESPONDENCE:

E-Mails circulated to Members prior to meeting -

12.10.2016 from KALC re Transparency Funding.

03.11.2016 from KALC re. KCC 2017/2018 Budget Consultation – deadline 27 November.

25.10.2016 from KALC re. joining our online community forum.

25.10.2016 from KALC re. Community.org.uk.

25.10.2016 from KALC re. Policing in Kent 2017-2021 – Autumn Survey (Kent Police and Crime Commissioner)

To be circulated to Members

KCC Highways Tracker survey 2016 – deadline 25 November 2016.

Publications to be circulated – CPRE - Kent Voice Autumn/Winter 2016

Clerks & Councils Direct – November 2016 issue.

140. DATE FOR NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL:

Monday, 12 December 2016 – 6.30 p.m Saltwood Primary School.

..... (Chairman) 12 December 2016