

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF SALTWOOD PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT SALTWOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL HALL ON MONDAY 06 MARCH 2017 AT 6.30 p.m.

PRESENT: Cllr. D. Kenyon-Vaughan (Chairman), Cllr. N. Matthews (Vice-Chairman)
Cllr. A. Ling, Cllr. Miss L. Sadler, Cllr. Mrs. L. Spice, Cllr. J. Stevens and Cllr. Mrs. S. Ware.
In attendance – Cllr. M. Dearden- Hythe Ward Member

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29. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE - Apologies were received from KCC Cllr. Miss S. Carey
(Member for KCC - Elham Valley).

30. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: None

31. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 06 FEBRUARY 2016:

The Minutes of a meeting of the Parish Council held on the 06 February 2017 having been circulated were taken as a true record of the meeting and signed by the Chairman. Proposed by Cllr. J. Stevens and seconded by Cllr. N. Matthews.

32. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THE 06 February 2017:

Brockhill Road/School Road junction – surface water – Cllr. N. Mathews reported that the Kent Highways District Manager had inspected the site and was of the opinion that the surface water problem at the junction of Brockhill Road and School Road was the responsibility Affinity Water. Arrangements were being made for Affinity Water to re-inspect the water system in the area of Brockhill Road.

33. REPORTS:

(a) County Councillor's Report - Copies of a written report from Cllr. Miss S. Carey had been circulated to Members. Matters referred to in her report were –
KCC Budget for 2017/2018 had been set as reported at the last meeting of Saltwood Parish Council. There had been no amendments to vary the rise in council tax either up or down but a few minor amendments had been accepted.
Now that the Great British Spring Clean weekend was over there would be continuing efforts with
Highways England and the districts to Keep Kent Clean. Cllr. Miss Carey had used some of her Member grant to fund litter picking equipment for volunteers and the kits were available from the
Civic Centre in Folkestone.
District Council are responsible for collecting waste and recycling with KCC responsible for its disposal. KCC had a target to reduce the amount of waste sent to landfill to 5% by 2020. Because
ways had been found to recycle mattresses and the hard recycle plastics this target has already been beaten with the current figure just 2.6% over the year. The ambition is now to send zero to landfill.
Kent Highways had now repaired the footpath and put up bollards to deter lorry parking near the
entrance to Hillhurst Farm. These works had been funded by Cllr. Miss Cary's Member grant as they fell outside planned maintenance but were clearly urgently required.
Highway works through Pedlinge had been completed and included extensive, though not visible,
drainage improvements and noticeable road repairs.
Made in Kent – the apprenticeship campaign launches on the 7 March. Advice for employers and
for those who want to be apprentices is available on the KCC website.

(b) District Councillor's report – In his report, Cllr. M. Dearden spoke on the following matters –

Princes Parade, Hythe. The Cabinet had agreed to proceed with an application for planning permission for Princes Parade. Should planning permission be given then a full business case and financial appraisal to be considered by Cabinet prior to any building work proceeding. A covenant to be drawn up to protect greenspace.

Budget 2017/2018 – The Cabinet had recommended to Council and Council had agreed the final

Single East Kent Council – Cabinet will consider Business Case for a single council.

Ward allowances - £3000.00 Ward allowance per councillor for 2017.

35. PLANNING (a) Planning applications

36. FINANCE:

Nat. Savings Investments	£989.31
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(b) **Christmas Tree lighting** — Cllr. Mrs. Spice reported that she had been given contact details for a firm called Festive Lighting, who were based in north Kent, and provided tree lighting. She would forward the details to the Clerk to enable her to make contact with the firm.

Village Green (cont).

(c) Trees on the Village Green - Report received from the Clerk on her meeting with Mr. David Sephton. Shepway District Council's Tree Manager. He had inspected all the trees on the Village Green and was satisfied with their condition. He had also confirmed that the size of the seat proposed to be erected around the smaller horse chestnut tree was acceptable.

41. CHILDREN'S PLAY PARK:

Renewal of equipment inspection contract – Reply awaited from Safeplay Playground Maintenance Services.

42. OTHER CORRESPONDENCE:

E-mail dated 17 February 2017 from KALC re Kent Estates Partnership Board.

E-mail dated 02 March 2017 from KALC re. Department for Culture Media and Sport regarding the Government's "The Better Broadband Subsidy Scheme".

Shepway District Council – Public Spaces Protection Order – Consultation.

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

Monday, 03 April 2017 at 6.30 p.m.

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