

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF SALTWOOD PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT SALTWOOD VILLAGE HALL ON MONDAY, 03 OCTOBER 2016 AT 6.30 P.M.

PRESENT: Cllr. D. Kenyon-Vaughan (Chairman), Cllr. N. Matthews (Vice Chairman),
Cllr. J. Stevens and Cllr. Mrs. S. Ware.

In attendance - Cllr. A. Ewart-James – Hythe Ward Member.

105. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE were received and accepted from Cllr. Miss L. Sadler,
Cllr. Mrs. L. Spice, Cllr. A. Ling and Cllr. Miss S. Carey (KCC Elham Valley Ward Member)

106. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: Cllr. D. Kenyon-Vaughan, Cllr. N. Matthews,
Cllr. J. Stevens and Cllr. Mrs. S. Ware declared a personal interest in planning application
Y16/1039/SH as they were known to the applicant.

107. MINUTES OF A MEETING OF SALTWOOD PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THE 05 SEPTEMBER 2016.

The Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on the 05 September 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.

108. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THE 05 SEPTEMBER 2016: No matters arising.

109. REPORTS: (a) County Councillor's Report: Report from Cllr. Miss S. Carey read out by the
Chairman. In her report she referred to the recent grammar school debate which had attracted a
lot of media attention to Kent Schools as we still had a large number of grammar schools. It was
hoped to take advantage of any change in Government policy to provide more grammar school
places for boys in West Kent.

Kent was still receiving rising numbers of Unaccompanied Asylum Seeking Children. At the end
of July Kent had 182 Unaccompanied Asylum Seeking Children under the age of 16, 660 aged
16 & 17 and 577 in the care leaver category – we still have a responsibility of care leavers until
they are 25 years old. It is not only a great financial strain but also puts great pressure on Kent's
fostering and care services for our citizen children and Kent is desperate for more foster carers.
The Kent Highways District Manager has promised that she will make sure the white markings
from the junction of Brockhill Road with the Village Green are properly burnt off. There was
still work to be done to the pavement along Sandling Road. Some work has already been done to
reclaim the full width of the pavement in Sandling Road and it was understood that the rest of
the work was due to be done in the half term holidays.

(b) District Councillor's Report: In his report, Cllr. A. Ewart-James said that following
Shepway District Council's response to the latest consultation on the **Lorry Park** the Transport
Minister with senior Highways England's Officers had met with SDC. In response to SDC
pressure it had been promised that –

(a) There would be a proper compensation package.

(b) To reduce problems with junction 11 slip road the access and egress of lorry park to be
located further west along the M20

(c) A controlled motorway as soon as possible.

Otterpool Park – Government announcement was awaited on SDC Expression of Interest and
planning works continued. Study tours of other garden towns were being organised with the first
having taken place on the 15 and 16 September to Cambridgeshire and Hertfordshire.

Hythe Swimming Pool – repairs completed and pool reopened.

110. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING FOR PUBLIC INCLUSION: No matters raised.

111. PLANNING: (a) Planning applications.

Y16/1039/SH – Two Firs, The Green, Saltwood. Crown reduction of a fir tree situated within a Conservation Area comprising 2 metre reduction in height and a maximum of 2 metre reduction of laterals. **No objection**

Y16/0967/SH – Beech House, School Road, Hythe. Felling of a Holly (TP6) and crown reduction of a Beech (TP3) and a Holly (TP7) all subject of Tree Preservation OrderNo.1 of 2008. **No objection to the proposed tree works subject to any comments of the District Council's Tree Officer.**

Y16/0998/SH – Fir Tree House, School Road, Hythe. Felling of a Beech (TP10 and pruning of a Copper Beech (TP2) both subject of Tree Preservation OrderNo.1 of 2008. **No objection to the proposed tree works subject to any comments of the District Council's Tree Officer.**

112. FINANCE:

(a) To report current balances at 03 October 2016 -

HSBC - Community Account	£500.00
HSBC - Business Account	£13,720.23
Nat. Savings Investments	£976.10

Balances include second instalments of Precept of £4750.00 and Council Tax Reduction (Support) scheme of £73.00.

(b) Accounts presented for payment –

100162 – Safeplay Playground Services Ltd - carrying out minor works as suggested in the RoSPA inspection report of the Play Park equipment. £794.70 incl .VAT £132.45

100163 – Mr. G. Marsh –Village Green mowing – 15 hrs. @£10.00 - £150.00

100164 - Clerk's Salary for July, August and September 2016 £673.59

STO - Robert Thompson Charities - hire of committee room on the 03 October 2016. £12.00

Following a proposal by Cllr. J .Stevens, seconded by Cllr. S. Ware the above payments were approved.

113. CHILDREN'S PLAYPARK:

(a) Repairs to play equipment – It was reported that the repairs to the play equipment agreed at the 05 September 2016 meeting - Minute 95(a) had been carried out. No reply had been received from Playdale Playgrounds Ltd. re carrying out repairs to the Boogie Woogie Tower and securing one of the posts of the tram tracks. Both these items were still covered under warranty.

(b) Cutting back of shrubs and trees around the Play Park - It was agreed to obtain quotations for this work.

114. SHEPWAY PARISH CHARTER:

Following a proposal by Cllr. D. Kenyon-Vaughan, seconded by Cllr. J. Sevens it was agreed that Saltwood Parish Council would adopt the Shepway Parish Charter.

115. OTTERPOOL PARK:

It was noted that the next Otterpool Park Good Practice Study Tour would be held on the 03 November 2016. The tour would be in Kent and likely to include Kings Hill, Ingress Park and St. Mary's Island Chatham.

116. LORRY PARK:

E-mail from Stanford Parish Council setting out details of their intention to launch a Judicial Review against Highways England's proposed Operation Stack Lorry Park in Stanford. The grounds for the Judicial Review were that the project should have been classified as Environmental Impact Assessment Development. This places a duty on the Secretary of State to consider all the environmental effects before making any decision. No full and proper assessment of the likely significant environmental effects of the project has been carried out,

Lorry Park (contd).

which would normally take the form of an EIA Report. Instead an Environmental Impact Analysis had been produced which had errors and was non-statutory. In addition the project has not yet been finalised and, therefore, any decision to proceed would be premature as the environmental effects cannot be qualified.

117. SALTWOOD PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS:

It was agreed that from the 07 November 2016 Saltwood Parish Council meetings would be held at Saltwood Primary School.

118. REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY 2016:

The Clerk reported that the application for closing the road alongside The Green from outside “Homestead” to the junction with Rectory Lane while the service was taking place had been submitted to Shepway District Council. Cllr. J. Stevens agreed to arrange for the Road Closure notices.

119. CORRESPONDENCE:

E-mails reported and noted –

08.09.2016 – KALC – from National Fraud Intelligence Bureau via Kent Police re

13.09.2016 – Shepway District Council – Newly published plans – forthcoming decisions.

28.09.2016 – KALC – Community Resilience/Emergency Plans

29.09.2016 – Kent Highways – notice of Parish and Town Councils Seminar to be held on the 03 November 2016.

120. ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

20mph Speed Limit – It was suggested and agreed extending the 20mph speed limit through the Village be on the agenda for the November meeting.

Bus Shelters – E-mail from Kent County Council’s Public Transport Department regarding request they had received for bus shelters within the village. Agreed to be on the agenda for the November meeting.

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

Monday 07 November 2016 commencing at 6.30 p.m. at Saltwood Primary School.