

SALTWOOD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 7th February 2022 at 6.30 pm at Saltwood C/E School

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

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

Cllr Boland opened the Meeting by thanking everyone for attending

Action by:

1 Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Cllrs Johnson & Sadler

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 10th January 2022 were unanimously approved

4 Co-option onto the Parish Council

It was unanimously agreed to co-opt Matthew Curran onto the Parish Council. Cllr Curran thanked the Cllrs and joined the Meeting

5 Matters arising

There were no matters arising of note

6 Reports

KCC Cllr Love spoke about various committee meetings he had attended, including children and young people, and environment & transport. Cllr Love also reported on the huge fly tipping problem especially along the coast and the KCC budget for 2022/2023

FHDC Cllr Martin updated on the Otterpool and the Princes Parade developments

7 Finance

a/ To receive bank balances

The Clerk reported the bank balances as at 31st January 2022 -

Community (current) account	£2980.58
Business Manager (savings) account	£12465.65

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 (January 2022)	£257.29
Saltwood Primary School, hall hire (x3 months)	£75.00

c/ To consider banking arrangements

There was a discussion regarding HSBC's decision to change the status of the current account from a Community Plus account to a Charitable account which incurs bank charges. Agreed letter be sent to HSBC insisting proper notice of the changes be given. Cllr Boland reported that he had emailed local Parish Council's requesting details of their banking arrangements to help identifier alternative providers

8 Adjournment of Meeting for Public Inclusion

There were no members of the public present

9 Planning & Enforcement

New Planning applications

21/2512 – demolition of existing garage and creation of new double storey front, side and rear extensions, including new front and rear balconies; proposed front elevation sun terrace and new main entrance

Badgers Mount, Sandling Road, CT21 4QN

There were no objections to this application

21/2561 – erection of first floor front extension and rear first floor dormer

19 Freshfield Lane, CT21 4QH

There were no objections to this application

10 Environment Agency's proposed tree works at Mill Leese Wood

Cllr Boland reported that he had received further information relating to his FOI request regarding the vegetation management plan but the information was still inadequate. Consequently, a submission to the Information Commissioner's Office was being prepared

11 Playpark

There was nil of note to report

12 Inspection of Parish Council owned trees

It was noted that quotes for the tree inspection were awaited

13 Telephone Box/Defibrillator

Cllr Boland reported that the electrical supply to the cabinet had now been connected, and that he had registered the defibrillator with SE Ambulance Service. Cllr Boland had advised local businesses, groups, and schools that the defibrillator was now in situ

14 Correspondence

Letter of resignation received from Nicola Russill-Roy on 11th January 2022. The Clerk reported that FHDC had been informed and the notice of vacancy had been displayed. As there had been no petition for an election the Council was now able to co-opt a new member

News release received from FHDC – plans to create a sustainable and vibrant future for Folkestone town centre

15 Any Other Business

There was no other business to discuss

16 Date of next Meetings

It was agreed that the next Parish Council Meetings would be held on 7th March and 4th April 2022, at 6.30 pm at Saltwood C/E School

There being no other business the Meeting closed at 8.00 pm