

A Meeting of the Parish Council was held at Frittenden Memorial Hall, Frittenden on Tuesday 21st November 2017 at 7.30pm

Present were: Mr A Staples (Chairman)
Mrs J Croucher
Mr L Gosbee
Mrs H Cullingworth
Ms R Riley

In attendance: Cllr James Hannam, Hazel Gosbee and the Clerk – Mrs Michelle Rumble

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Vernon, Cllr Tuke

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (in accordance with the Member's Code of Conduct, Part 2)

There were no declarations.

3. BOROUGH & COUNTY COUNCILLOR UPDATE

Cllr Hannam was present and he welcomed Cllr Riley as a new member of the Parish Council. The main items which were being discussed at TWBC at present were the Civic Centre and Theatre. Cllr Hannam states that all papers for this had now been received and would be discussed at the Full Council meeting on the 6th December. The cost of the scheme is £81 million, £9 million of this should hopefully come from the sale of the existing Civic Centre, this value is low due to the building being listed. The Council will need to borrow £70 million and this will be a loan payable over 50 years. There will hopefully see income from lettings, and some of the funding £700,000 of this will also come from the new Waste Contract which starts in 2019. There will be a kerb collection of glass bottles – meaning the bottle banks can be removed and also the introduction of an optional Garden Waste Scheme at a cost of £35- £40 a year. This will be voted on at the meeting, but Cllr Hannam suspects that it will get approval.

Cllr Hannam then spoke on correspondence he has received regarding Retrospective Planning application and why people carry out the building work and then proceed to apply for Retrospective Planning. The Planning department stated that you are not less likely to get the permission even if you have already built it. The Garden Village locations – there should be something concrete on this in December, there are plenty of rumours flying round but no definitive answer as yet.

Cllr Staples stated that he had attended the Parish Council Chairman's meeting and there had been a discussion on the Civic Centre at this meeting.

Cllr Riley stated that she would like to see the Civic Centre doing more for outreach projects.

Cllr Hannam then left the meeting at 7.50pm

4. TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS PARISH COUNCIL MEETING AND PLANNING MEETING

It was RESOLVED by all members present that the minutes both the planning minutes from the 8th November and Parish Council minutes from 17th October are a true and accurate record and that being the case Cllr Staples signed both.

5. MATTERS ARISING FROM THOSE MINUTES

Play equipment

Agenda item, it was also noted that the work to the gate had been carried out and it had been commented on by residents.

Meeting with Kelvin Hinton

Noted

Affordable Housing

KCC had been written to regarding the Vehicular and Pedestrian access to the possible sites.

Hedges and Footpaths

Agenda item

Road Report

Agenda item

6. SPEEDWATCH

Cllr Croucher reported three new recruits, this now makes a total of 10 regulars, they have the equipment for the three weeks over Christmas, so if anyone can spare any time then please let her know. Cllr Riley and Cllr Staples carried out a Speedwatch exercise on one day between the times 09.30 – 10.30 and had 21 cars go past, 9 were speeding and 3-4 of those were going over 40mph

7. AFFORDABLE HOUSING

Already covered.

8. HEDGES AND FOOTPATHS

The Clerk had prepared a letter which could be sent to any residents whose hedges were overhanging the boundary of their property. A slight amendment was made to the letter, but is now ready to send to any residents if needed.

Regarding the stones – it was noted that this was for the benefit of for everyone using our roads.

9. ROAD REPORT – GENERAL

Cllr Gosbee reported fly tipping in Grandshore Lane. He is still waiting for TWBC to look at the possibility of a disabled space outside the school, but is hopeful that this will be looked at. Cllr Gosbee has also asked if two drop kerbs could be installed near the school for wheelchair users. The re-surfacing which was due to take place in Grandshore lane has not and also appears to have dropped off the list. Cllr Gosbee will chase this. Pot Holes have also been reported, the bulk bag of salt does not appear to have been delivered Cllr Gosbee will chase this, discussion around salt bins also took place and it was RESOLVED that the Clerk should approach Cllr Holden to see if the Parish Council could apply to his Member Grant for 2 salt bins.

Cllr Cullingworth spoke on the parking issues within the village, especially outside the School, most recently there had been an incident between two car owners. The Chairman stated that as spaces seem to be an issue there are spaces where the old garages use to be, this could be utilised. Cllr Cullingworth will mention this to the school.

There is another area where parking is also an issue, outside the Bell and Jorrocks/The Larchmere. It was RESOLVED by all members that a meeting should take place these two and the Parish Council and KCC Highways representative, if they are available, a time and date will be set.

10. Play equipment/Play area

The play equipment has now been repaired, an issue was highlighted by the contractor in that the play equipment has moved and if the Parish Council would like to consider a quote from the contractor of

£100.00 to carry out the work. All members RESOLVED to accept the quote. The Clerk will inform the contractor of this.

The Bench located near to the Recreation has had to be taped off due to repairs needed, a quote of £20.00 to carry out the repairs had been received from Gordon Bridges and all members RESOLVED to accept this quote and thanked Mr Bridges for giving his time to do this work.

12. PLANNING

New applications

17/03819/ADJ	Harrison Car Sales, Station Approach, Headcorn Consultation with Adjoining Authority – two-year change of use to allow siting of a mobile burger van on a car wash/sales forecourt (Resubmission of 17/503283) All members RESOLVED NO OBJECTION
17/03829	Outside 1 Rose Cottage, Rocks Hill, Frittenden – Telecommunications Notification All members RESOLVED NO OBJECTION
17/03685	Poplar Cottage, The Street, Frittenden Tree in Conservation Area Notification T1 (Yew) – Remove All members RESOLVED NO OBJECTION

Outcome of previous applications

17/02981/PNP	Grandshore Farm, Grandshore Lane, Frittenden – Prior Notification of change of use APPLICATION REFUSED
17/02877/FULL	Birch Barn, Green Lane, Variation of Condition 1 APPLICATION APPROVED
17/02940/PNQCLA	Buckhurst Farm Buildings, Biddenden Road – Prior Notification for the change of use APPLICATION REFUSED
17/03092/PNQCLA	Land to the rear of Cherry Tree Cottage, Headcorn Road, Frittenden Prior notification for the change of use. APPLICATION WITHDRAWN

Planning Correspondence:
None

12 CORRESPONDENCE

KALC Community Awards 2018 – Agenda item for December
KFRS – Consultation (clerk to forward to all members)

The Chairman and Cllr Riley had both attended the KALC AGM, which was very informative and had handed out to all members a list of all training courses available.

13. FINANCE

It was proposed by Cllr Cullingworth, seconded by Cllr Gosbee and **RESOLVED** by all members present to pay the accounts as follows. The Payments will be signed outside the meeting.

	FRITTENDEN PAYMENTS				
Cheque	GROSS	VAT	NET	SUPPLIER	DETAILS
102259	£156.49	£26.08	£130.41	Kent Grassland Services	Grounds maintenance
102260	£376.60	nil	£376.60	Mrs Michelle Rumble	Salary - November
102260	£72.81	nil	£72.81	Mrs Michelle Rumble	Expenses - November
102261	£94.20	nil	£94.20	HMRC	PAYE - November
102262	£15.00	nil	£15.00	Frittenden Memorial Hall	Hire of Hall
102263	£824.22	£137.37	£686.85	Capel Groundcare	Repairs to play area
102264	£41.60	£6.93	£34.67	Biffa	Service of litter bins - October
102265	£59.50	nil	£59.50	Mr Mike Cooper	Parts - Equipment Fund
102266	£115.50	£19.25	£96.25	Streetlights	Repair to street light - Bell & Jorrocks
102267	£5.50	nil	£5.50	Cllr Cullingworth	Safety tape
102268	£50.00	nil	£50.00	Mr Mark Plummer	Repairs to Gate
102269	£100.00	nil	£100.00	Mr Lester Gosbee	Grounds Maintenance
DD1101	£26.04	£1.24	£24.80	Eon	Street lighting energy - October
TOTAL	£1,937.46	£190.87	£1,746.59		

- Bank Mandate
There was a Bank Mandate for HSBC to be signed by Cllr Riley who was being added as a signatory and two councillors who were existing signatories also signed the Bank Mandate, as did the Clerk as Secretary. This was proposed by Cllr Gosbee, seconded by Cllr Cullingworth and **RESOLVED** by all members present.
- Donations
The Clerk will circulate the list of donations which were given at last year's meeting and this will be discussed at the December meeting.
- Budget 2018/19
The Budget was discussed as was the increase in hours for the Clerk, this was due to the workload and to maintain a working Parish Council, this is what the Clerk felt was needed. This was **RESOLVED** by all members to accept. There were no other items on the Budget which they felt needed discussing. The precept required for 2018/19 would be £15,500. This will be taken to the December where it will be put forward that they accept the Budget and set the precept.
The Equipment Fund was discussed amongst members and it was felt that Cllr Staples should speak with the Tent Team on the workings of this and report back at the meeting and any decision from that meeting will be put to the whole Council to make. Cllr Riley did state she felt the Equipment Fund finances should be transparent.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.25pm.

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