

KENARDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 7th May 2024 at 7.00pm
In the Village Hall

Present:

Parish Cllrs: Cllrs. S. McIntyre, B. Hedley, E. Brown, J Whittington

Borough Cllr:

KCC Cllr:

Members of Public: 0

PC:

Clerk: A Beach

Minute No		ACTION
1030	Apologies & Reasons for Absence Cllr J Shilton	
1031	Declaration of Councillor' Interests <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. To approve or reject any application put to the meeting by the Chairman in respect of Members seeking a dispensation under the Localism Act 2011, section 33. b. Request that Councillors' or any other persons' present declare if they intend to record any of the proceedings using any video or audio recording device or camera 	
1032	Approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on 7th May 2024 The minutes were approved by Councillors' and were signed by Cllr McIntyre.	
1033	Public Session At this point the Meeting will be adjourned. This session is for the public to express a view or ask a question on relevant matters on the agenda.	
1034	Borough Councillor Report Cllr Shilton was unable to attend the meeting	
1035	County Councillor Report Cllr Hill was unable to attend the meeting	

1036	<p>Finance</p> <p>a. <u>Payments</u></p> <p><i>DPC Payments made during May</i></p> <p>Jati Ltd – Bench - £460.00</p> <p>A Beach – Repayment for Defibrillator Accessories - £170.40</p> <p><i>Direct Debit</i></p> <p>HugoFox, Monthly Website fee £11.99</p> <p><i>Cheques for Approval</i></p> <p>Chq No 453 – A Beach – Salary April-June £491.40</p> <p>b. <u>Receipts</u></p> <p>Business Reserve Interest for April & May £38.43</p> <p>c. <u>AGAR Approval</u></p> <p>The Clerk presented the 2023/24 AGAR and once completed the Councillors approved and it was signed by Cllr McIntyre.</p> <p>The current account has a balance of £5,347.71 and the business reserve a balance of £15,145.65 giving a working balance of £21,493.36, including £5,833 allocated to the proposed play area and £270.17 for outdoor equipment.</p> <p>Once the following items have been purchased</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 pack (4) Creworks Cable Protectors £49.99 2 Outdoor Extension Leads Waterproof £44.99 each = £89.98 2 Parasol (Albert Austin) 2.7m £39.99 each = £79.98 <p>These total £219.95; excluding delivery charges; which leaves a balance of £50.22.</p>
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1037	<p>Matters Arising</p> <p><u>Gov.uk Addresses</u></p> <p>The Clerk forwarded the presentation which was attended by the Chairman and Clerk explaining how the system will improve the PC's security.</p> <p>Cllr Hedley sent details of our domain name, unfortunately Hugofox will not confirm if it is correct to the Clerk.</p> <p>Cllr Hedley will contact Hugofox to ask them to confirm our domain name.</p> <p><u>Notice Board</u></p> <p>Following Cllr Hedley's suggestion for a new board, the Clerk identified this as an option</p> <p>The Noticeboard Company</p> <p>Option 1 – 750 height x 1200mm width (36 x 48"), magnetic with two lockable doors. Price, including 30 magnets £753.55 incl. VAT</p> <p>Option 2 – 1050 height x 1800mm width (42 x 71"), magnetic with two lockable doors. Price, including 30 magnets £1,088.35 incl. VAT</p> <p>Councillors unanimously decided to inspect the existing board and if suitable it will be renovated and relocated on to the side of the bus shelter to make it more visible.</p> <p><u>New Group for Smaller Councils</u></p> <p>NALC have launched a national network for the smallest parish councils, the micro-council group is designed for councils with precepts or turnovers of under £10k. The first meeting will be on 25th July, the Clerk has registered to attend.</p> <p><u>Noise Complaints</u></p> <p>A number of complaints have been received from residents regarding the continuous motorbike noise at weekends from Holly Bush Farm.</p> <p>It was agreed to contact the owners and explain that if this cannot be resolved the PC will be forced to report the problem.</p> <p><i>Post meeting – On starting a conversation with the land owners, they defended their position stating that it was only one day whilst the new engines were 'run-in' and asked why people had not complained direct, but understood the PC's position.</i></p> <p><i>Following the conversation, it was agreed to send a letter to Environmental Services at ABC, copying in the responsible Director and our Borough Councillor.</i></p> <p><u>Resignation</u></p> <p>Tom Coombes has sent a formal letter of resignation from the PC. ABC have issued a Notice of Vacancy, if nobody contacts them before 20th June 2024, we will be able to co-opt a replacement.</p> <p><u>Defibrillator</u></p> <p>A replacement battery and pads have been ordered. Locating these in stock was not possible and prices varied considerably.</p> <p>In the long term the Clerk feels we should consider a replacement, matched funding grants are available via the Government until September</p>	,
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1038	<p>Planning</p> <p><u>Planning Applications</u></p> <p>None received</p> <p><u>Planning Advice/Training</u></p> <p>No details have been received regarding the training by ABC, in conjunction with KALC.</p> <p><i>Post meeting – KALC Ashford have arranged this at ABC on either 22nd or 24th July and requested details of Councillors attending.</i></p>	
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1039	<p>Village Matters</p> <p><u>Footpath AT187 from Appledore Road to the B2067</u> Since this matter was raised by a resident and following the request of Councillors, KCC informed the Clerk that it was the responsibility of ABC to clear overgrowth and leaf mulch from pavements and is still awaiting a response from ABC. It was agreed to remove the item from the agenda.</p> <p><u>Overgrown Trees on land between Nursery End and B2067</u> The PC as still awaiting a reply from the owners of the land. The Clerk confirmed a copy of the letter via Recorded Delivery has been sent. As the owner has not replied to either letter, the matter has been referred to KCC, explaining the situation, if they are forced to carry out the work KCC will charge the owner for the work</p> <p><u>Drainage Issues on Appledore Road</u> KCC Highways Drainage Team informed the PC that no emergency work was required and it would be done within their standard two-year maintenance programme. A letter and more photos were sent stating our disappointment and we await a reply.</p> <p><u>Church Lane Footpath</u> The Clerk reported the overgrown entrance to the footpath to KCC and requested a new fingerpost, report number 240230385 dated 9th February and a follow-up number 240664982 on 20th June 2024.</p> <p><u>Designated Green Space – The Wish</u> Cllr Shilton has raised this item and we await a reply. This is a drawn-out process and we need to be patient.</p> <p><u>Speedwatch Update</u> Nothing to report</p> <p><u>Highway Improvement Plan (HIP)</u> Cllr Whittington to contact KCC Highways to arrange a meeting in July</p> <p><u>D-Day 80 Anniversary</u> Due to timescale and lack of volunteers Councillors had previously agreed to hold the event later in the year. Cllr Hedley suggested Sunday 4th August 2024, this was agreed, Cllr Brown may not be available on the day but will confirm nearer the date.</p> <p><u>Planning Application to Re-position the Lamppost at Village Hall</u> The Clerk is waiting for the ABC Planning Department to confirm whether a planning application is required as per service request 20212760 and also notified them of the condition of the lamp. <i>Post meeting – Clerk contacted Alan Brind at ABC who had given advice previously, unfortunately he has moved departments, but he replied and does not believe planning is required and would contact the department and request they contact us urgently.</i></p> <p><u>Play Area</u> No reply has been received from ABC regarding the lease for the ground. Cllr Shilton advised that it may be worth concentrating on registering the</p>	<p>JS/All</p> <p>JW</p> <p>BH/All</p>
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1040	<p>Green Energy</p> <p>Rachael Stone has reported that Osprey Electrical attended, but to date she has not received any details from them and asked if alternative Contractors were available, the Clerk forwarded details of the approved OZEV (Office of Zero Emission Vehicles) list.</p>	
1041	<p>Correspondence</p> <p>Items previously emailed.</p> <p>KALC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Chief Executive Bulletin - June Newsletter - Training Opportunities - Weekly Bulletins <p>KALC Ashford Area</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Agenda for 29th May meeting <p>NALC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Chief Executive Bulletins <p>Ashford BC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Minutes of the Planning Meeting held on 15th May - Agenda for the Planning Meeting on 10th June <p>British Heart Foundation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Defibrillator Safety Notice 	
1042	<p>Future Agenda Items/Items for Information</p>	

Cllr McIntyre closed the meeting at 9pm

Dates of Future Meetings

2024 - 2nd July; 3rd September; 1st October; 5th November; 3rd December

2025 - 7th January; 4th February; 4th March

Meetings start at 7.00pm