

KENARDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 5th March 2024 at 7.00pm
In the Village Hall

Present:

Parish Cllrs: Cllrs. S. McIntyre, B. Hedley, R. Stone, T Coombes

Borough Cllr: 0

KCC Cllr: 0

Members of Public: 0

PC:

Clerk: A Beach

Minute No		ACTION
978	Apologies & Reasons for Absence Cllr M Hill Cllr J Shilton Cllr E Brown	
979	Declaration of Councillor' Interests <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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. 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 	
980	Approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on 6th February 2024 The minutes were approved by Councillors' and were signed by Cllr McIntyre.	
981	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.	
982	Borough Councillor Report Cllr Shilton was unable to attend this evening but reminded Councillors that the Rural Prosperity Fund is about to open for new applications.	

983	County Councillor Report Nothing to report	
984	Finance a. <u>Payments</u> <i>DPC Payments made during February</i> None <i>Direct Debit</i> HugoFox, Monthly Website fee £11.99 <i>For Authorisation</i> Chq No. 447 A Beach Jan-Mar Salary £491.40 Chq No. 448 A Beach Repayment Land Registry documents £6.00 Chq No. 449 S McIntyre Printer Toner £23.09 Chq No. 450 T Coombes Repayment for 'Dog signs' £99.90 b. <u>Receipts</u> Business Reserve a/c – Interest £19.73 The current account has a balance of £4,244.24 (excluding cheque number 450) and the business reserve a balance of £15,073.06 giving a working balance of £19,317.30 of which £5,833 is allocated to the proposed play area and £730.17 allocated to outdoor furniture and equipment for the Village Hall	

985	<p>Matters Arising</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – <u>Designated Green Space (The Wish)</u> Cllr Shilton has raised this with the relevant portfolio holder and is awaiting an update. – <u>Footpath AT187 from Appledore Road to the B2067</u> A resident highlighted the condition of the footpath to Cllr McIntyre, which is becoming narrower due to leaf mulch and dead branches. The Clerk has since reported the matter to ABC report number 19653991 and awaits a response. The Clerk was asked to contact KCC/ABC to ascertain who is responsible for clearing pavements of overgrowth and leaf mulch. – <u>Overgrown Trees on land between Nursery End and B2067</u> Cllr McIntyre has spoken to the owners of a property in Nursery End who are concerned about some dead/dying trees overhanging their property and the B2067. The land title and map were obtained to identify the owners of the strip of land, it belongs to one of the properties on High House business park and a letter has been sent to the owner asking them to obtain an arboriculture report and provide the Parish Council with a copy detailing any recommended work you will undertake if necessary. – <u>Drainage Issues on Appledore Road</u> Both Cllr McIntyre and a resident raised concerns over problems with blocked drains, flooding at the junction with Church Lane and water draining down the road rather than into drains is causing multiple pot holes. These have been reported to KCC, report numbers 780045 and 787342, due to recent weather conditions KCC have identified that these may take longer than normal to resolve. – <u>Electronic Security for Councillors and Clerk</u> Following recommendations from KALC parish councils have been advised to look at their current security and update if necessary. Gov.uk email addresses are available for councillors and clerks, a NALC publication is available highlighting the benefits. Councillors agreed to pursue and obtain Gov.uk addresses for the Clerk and Councillors. 	
986	<p>Planning</p> <p><u>Planning Applications</u> None received</p> <p><u>Planning Advice/Training</u> The Clerk contacted Cllr Shilton and he confirmed that Simon Cole is happy to do this, as the number of requests for it had been received.</p>	

987	<p>Village Matters</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – <u>Updates of Community Emergency & Flood Risk Planning</u> Cllrs McIntyre and Stone gave updates on the recent information sessions they had attended. Cllr Stone confirmed that Flood Risk planning is very complicated but the main point to remember is prevention, therefore it's important to ensure roadside ditches are maintained by the landowners. Cllr McIntyre explained that one of the main items we should consider is to generate a list of the vulnerable people within the village that can be securely shared with each Councillor or agreed representative during any emergency. – <u>Removal of Dog Waste</u> Cllr Hedley reported that the bin in Church Lane was removed, further investigations showed that due to the upcoming change in the borough waste contract ABC are removing all dog waste bins and replacing with a litter bin if there is not one close by. Cllr Shilton followed this up on our behalf and if we can prove ownership ABC will replace it, in the meantime a temporary solution has been created. – <u>Church Lane Footpath</u> The Clerk reported the overgrown entrance to the footpath to KCC and requested a new fingerpost, report number 240230385. – <u>Overgrown Hedgerow – Appledore Road/Warehorne Road Junction</u> Cllr McIntyre visited the owners of the property and discussed the problem, they confirmed that they are responsible for keeping the hedge cut and asked if the PC could recommend a contractor. – <u>Speedwatch Update</u> Nothing to report. – <u>Highway Improvement Plan (HIP)</u> Nothing to report. – <u>Planning Application to Re-position the Lamppost at Village Hall</u> Cllr Hedley is going to produce the drawing to go with the application. – <u>Play Area</u> – No reply has been received from ABC regarding the lease for the ground. Cllr Shilton is attempting to progress it. 	
988	<p>Green Energy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Nothing to report. 	

989	Correspondence Items previously emailed. KALC <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Winter Support Scheme – Chief Executive Bulletin – February Newsletter – Training Opportunities NALC <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Upcoming Events Ashford BC <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Minutes of Planning Meeting Held on 14th February – Details of New Waste & Recycling Contract 	
990	Future Agenda Items/Items for Information The Clerk applied for £292.99 from the Winter Support Fund to purchase a Hot Plate, Slow Cooker and Air Fryer for the VH, the application has been approved and the monies should be received shortly. Cllr McIntyre asked Cllr Hedley if she would be able to do the refreshments for the APM, which she happily agreed to.	

Cllr McIntyre closed the meeting at 8.30 pm

Dates of Future Meetings

2024

2nd April; 7th May; 4th June; 2nd July; 3rd September; 1st October; 5th November; 3rd December

Annual Parish Meeting

10th April 2024 starting at 6.30pm

2025

7th January; 4th February; 4th March

Meetings start at 7.00pm