

## KENARDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2022 at 7.00pm in the Village Hall

**Present:**

**Parish Cllrs:** Cllrs. S. McIntyre, B. Hedley, R. Stone

**Borough Cllrs:** Cllr M Burgess

**Members of Public:** 0

**PCSO:** 0

**Clerk:** A Beach

Minute No		ACTION
801	<b>Apologies &amp; Reasons for Absence</b> Cllrs Coombes and Zajaczkowski	
802	<b>Declaration of Councillor' Interests</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>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.</li> <li>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</li> </ul>	
803	<b>To Approve or Reject any Application</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. 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, s.33.</li> <li>ii. 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.</li> </ul> <p>None Declared</p>	
804	<b>Approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> November 2022</b> The minutes were approved by Councillors' and were signed by Cllr McIntyre.	
805	<b>Public Session</b> 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. No items raised.	

806	<p><b>Borough Councillors Report</b>  Cllr Burgess confirmed that he would not be standing for re-election in May and that he will bring the selected Conservative candidate who will be standing for the Isle of Oxney ward, his name is John Shilton and currently lives in Hamstreet.</p>	
807	<p><b>Finance</b></p> <p>a. <u>Authorisation of Payments</u>  Chq No. 417 D Cooper, Hedge cutting - £850  Chq No. 418 A Beach, Repayment for toys, books, football game, storage boxes - £349.90  Chq No. 419 A Beach, Oct-Dec Salary - £434.47  Chq No. 420 Wittersham PC - Caretaker Scheme - £550.00</p> <p>b. <u>Balance &amp; Financial Report</u>  The current account has a balance of £17,330.58 following payment of the above totalling £2,184.37 of which £5,833 is allocated to the proposed QE2 play area.</p>	
808	<p><b>Matters Arising</b></p> <p><u>Quiz Night - Cllr Coombes</u>  - On hold until the Village Hall refurbishments had been completed.</p> <p><u>Overgrown Hedge - Appledore Road, adjacent to The Wish</u>  - This has been completed.</p> <p><u>Village Coffee Mornings</u>  - Due to the refurbishment, it was agreed that these will start as soon as possible.</p> <p>Mike 7.20pm</p>	TC
809	<p><b>Planning</b></p> <p><u>KPC Comments</u>  None received</p> <p><u>ABC Comments</u>  None received</p>	

810	<p><b>Village Matters</b></p> <p><u>QE2 Play Area</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- We are still awaiting details from Ashford BC regarding the lease, which is currently with their Legal Department</li> </ul> <p><u>Community Speedwatch</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The Clerk made enquiries regarding a Speed Indicator Device (SID), these are battery operated and can be moved as required.</li> </ul> <p>The signs can be mounted on road signs, tripods or on trollies and range from simple signs just indicating speed to signs with messages on for drivers.</p> <p>Kits are available from KCC Highways which include a mini-SID and 3 poles installed is approximately £6,800 plus VAT, but more cost-effective systems are available.</p> <p>Unipar; the suppliers of the Speedwatch equipment; offer a range of kits which include the display, stand, power pack &amp; charger and a hard carry case for easy storage and transportation. The cost of this package is currently £1687 + VAT and delivery. This option can be upgraded to a 'smiley face' type display. This kit has the same components as the standard dual message with a slight increase in price to £1985 + VAT and delivery. Both models come with a one-year warranty on parts and labour.</p> <p><u>Highways Improvement Plan (HIP)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- HIPs are run in conjunction with Kent Highways to indicate desired, long term, projects to improve roads and footpaths in the village, rather than general maintenance, and these are updated annually.</li> </ul> <p>Kieran Doble, Community Engagement Officer at KCC Highways will assist us with the initial plan and advise us on available funding.</p> <p>Suggestions received are the purchase of a SID, improvement to High House junction and closure of the unofficial laybys on both Appledore and Woodchurch Roads,</p>	<p><b>ALL</b></p> <p><b>ALL</b></p> <p><b>ALL</b></p>
811	<p><b>Village Hall</b></p> <p><u>Refurbishment</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Cllr Hedley updated Councillors on the current situation, explaining that completion of the main hall, including the cladding, heating and decoration will take priority over the toilet area. This will allow the hall to be actively promoted and increase bookings.</li> <li>-</li> </ul>	<b>BH</b>

812	<p><b>Green Energy</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Cllr McIntyre explained that UK Power Network intend to fit a new transformer in the village next year as the area has been identified as one where usage will increase due to the uptake in electric vehicles.</li> </ul> <p>Councillors agreed to keep the item on the agenda.</p>	
813	<p><b>Correspondence</b>  <u>Previously emailed</u>  <b>KALC</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- NALC CEO Report</li> <li>- KALC CEO Report</li> <li>- Notice &amp; Papers for the KALC AGM on 19<sup>th</sup> November</li> </ul> <p><b>Ashford BC</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Clerks training session for Planning Portal on 18<sup>th</sup> November - was attended by the Clerk</li> <li>- Minutes of Planning Committee</li> </ul> <p><b>Action for Communities in Rural Kent</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Notice that the charity is being wound-up due to the lack of finances.</li> <li>- The Clerk has received confirmation that the services obtained can be accessed by contacting the Action for Communities in Rural England (ACRE).</li> <li>- Cllr Burgess informed the meeting that since the announcement other agencies had been in contact to undertake some of the services, particularly the pop-up Coffee Caravan.</li> <li>-</li> </ul>	
814	<p><b>Future Agenda Items/Items for Information</b>  The date of the January meeting was agreed as 11th January 2023</p>	

Cllr McIntyre closed the meeting at 8.10pm

**Dates of Future Meetings**

2023 11th January, 7<sup>th</sup> February & 7<sup>th</sup> March

**Meetings start at 7.00pm**