

ASH-CUM-RIDLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 17 October 2019 at Ash Village Hall, The Street, Ash, TN15 7HB commencing at 7.45pm

Present: Cllr M Brown
Cllr Mrs Brammer
Cllr Mrs Clark
Cllr Mrs Clucas
Cllr Mrs Connell
Cllr F Cottee
Cllr S Glover (arrived 7.47pm)
Cllr J Kelly
Cllr N Lejot
Cllr M Manley
Cllr I Mann
Cllr V Ngwenya
Cllr P Nightingale (arrived 7.50pm)

In attendance: Alison de Jager – Parish Clerk

- 7709/19 Apologies were received from Cllr Mrs Hobbs (work) and Cllr J Scott (family engagement). The apologies and reasons for absence were accepted.
District Councillors A Pett and G Pender sent their apologies.
- 7710/19 a. Declarations of Interest – Cllr Mrs Connell declared an interest in item 6b as a payment has been made to a family member.
Declarations Of Interest b. No changes to the Register of Interests. Members were reminded that any alteration or new interests must be registered with the Monitoring Officer within 28 days.
- 7711/19 None received
Dispensations
- 7712/19 It was RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 19 September 2019 be approved and signed as a true record.
Minutes PROPOSED: Cllr Mrs Brammer SECONDED: Cllr Mrs Clucas and UNANIMOUSLY AGREED.
(Cllr S Glover arrived)
- 7713/19 a. Applications
Planning **SE/19/02487: Land North of Orchard Cottage, New Street Road, Hodsoll Street, TN15 7JY** – Erection of two stables with tack room/ha store and covered wash down area with manure store and utilising existing access. Cllr F Cottee PROPOSED that the Parish Council has no objection in principle to this application. However, we support the objection of the neighbouring properties to the West of the development, in New Street Road, that the positioning of the stables, and particularly the Open Manure Store, will create the maximum possibility of smells and loss of visual amenity in their proposed position. We therefore request that Planning Permission only be granted if the stable complex is moved to the East of the site.

7713/19
Planning

We also note that the available area of land is below the recommended minimum of 0.5 – 1.0 hectare per horse* and that supplementary feeding will therefore be necessary. It is not clear from the plans that adequate access has been provided to allow for this.

The size of the building raises concerns about possible future conversion to housing.

**Source: DEFRA (Cllr P Nightingale arrived)*

SECONDED: Cllr J Kelly FOR: 8 AGAINST: 1 ABSTENTIONS: 3

SE/19/02748: Redlibbets Golf Club, West Yoke, TN15 7HT – Installation of glazed infill panels between existing external posts to form new internal spa space at Lower Ground Floor Level and construction of new platform to form new entrance and lobby at Ground Floor Level. Alterations to the fenestrations. Cllr J Kelly PROPOSED that the Parish Council does not object to this application as long as it complies with Green Belt policy. SECONDED: Cllr Mrs Clucas FOR: 12 AGAINST: 0 ABSTENTION: 1

b. Decisions

The decisions, as set out in Appendix A to Agenda A/10/19 were RECEIVED and NOTED.

c. Appeals

None at time of Agenda.

d. Enforcements

None at time of Agenda.

e. The minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 03 October 2019 were NOTED.

f. It was NOTED that all future meetings of the Planning Committee will commence at 9.45am.

g. Sevenoaks District Council Local Plan - It was NOTED that Ms Horner had attended two hearing sessions held by the Planning Inspectorate, and that one of the hearings has been adjourned as there was insufficient time for all questions to be answered. It was also NOTED that the Inspector is concerned about the Plan.

7714/19
Finance

a. The current financial position and accompanying reports were NOTED.

b. The cheques signed since the last meeting were authorised. PROPOSED: Cllr J Kelly SECONDED: Cllr V Ngwenya and AGREED.

c. It was NOTED that the Pension re-enrolment date is 01 November for the Parish Council. The pension provider is The People's Pension.

d. It was NOTED that the next meeting of the Finance Committee will be held on 29 October 2019.

7715/19
Sports Centre

a. It was NOTED that the next meeting of the Sports Centre Management Committee will be held on 21 October 2019.

7716/19
Barnfield
Park

a. It was NOTED that the next meeting of the Liaison Group will be held on 02 December 2019.

7717/19
Northfield

a. It was NOTED that the minutes of the meeting of the Northfield Management Committee held on 09 October 2019 will be distributed with the November Agenda.

- 7718/19
Burial Ground
- a. It was NOTED that the date of the next Burial Ground Committee meeting has not been set.
- 7719/19
Youth
- a. Youth Committee – the minutes of the Youth Committee meeting held on 16 September 2019 were NOTED.
b. 8 – 12's - No report
- 7720/19
NHS
Consultation
- The NHS public consultation on urgent care services in Dartford, Gravesham and Swanley and the two proposed options discussed. Cllr Mrs Clucas will be attending a public meeting on 30 October in this regard. Cllr Mrs Brammer PROPOSED that the Parish Council supports Option one, to create an Urgent Treatment Centre by relocating services from the White Horse Walk-in centre to join the Minor Injuries Unit at Gravesham Community Hospital. The A & E at Darent Valley Hospital will remain unchanged under this option. The response will be held until Cllr Clucas has attended the meeting and determined that this remains the better option. SECONDED: Cllr M Brown and AGREED.

The meeting was suspended at 8.26pm to receive reports from the County and District Councillors.

The report from the County and District Councillors is attached to these minutes.

The meeting reconvened at 8.45pm

- 7721/19
Highways
- a. No report
- 7722/19
Footpaths
- a. It was NOTED that footpaths SD235 and SD237 will be closed temporarily from 9am on Saturday 2 November to 9am on Sunday 3 November to facilitate the holding of the New Ash Green Guy Fawkes Night.
- 7723/19
Transport
- a. The notes of the meeting of Arriva and the Parish Councils held on 01 October 2019 were NOTED.
- 7724/19
Ash, Hodsoil Street, Ash & New Ash Green
- a. Ash - The request for the provision of a Defibrillator to be placed at Ash Village Hall was discussed and it was AGREED that Ash cum Ridley Fire Station will be contacted to establish if their defibrillator is accessible to the public at all time.
On 19 October, a very successful concert was held at Ash Church.
b. Hodsoil Street – the Coffee Morning was held on 17 October 2019 and was well attended.
Carols on The Green will be held on 20 December 2019 at 7pm.
c. Ridley - no report.
- 7725/19
Bulletin and Website
- a. Bulletin – Final articles have been received and the Bulletin will be ready for printing on 21 October.
b. Website – no report
- 7726/19
Focus Group
- a. It was NOTED that the minutes of the Focus Group meeting held on 14 October 2019 will be distributed with the November 2019 Agenda.

and Police

b. It was NOTED that there will be a Community Safety event at the Youth & Community Centre on 22 October 2019 at 7.30pm.

7727/19
Lunch
Provision

a. The lunch continues to be popular with 35 members of which 31 attending this week.

7728/19
KALC

a. It was NOTED that the next meeting of the Sevenoaks Branch will take place on Friday 22 November 2019.

7729/19
Reports,
Circulars and
Correspond.

The reports, circulars and correspondence as set out in A/10/19 were NOTED.

The meeting closed at 9.00pm

Signed:
Chairman

Date: