

Lynsted with Kingsdown Parish Council
Minutes of a meeting held on Monday 26th October 2020
At 8pm via ZOOM

Present: Cllrs Delaney (Vice-Chair) Morgan; Dawes; Speed; Carr; Langdon-Bassett; Probert; Ross-Russell; Bowles (KCC) Whiting (SBC) & M Mulley (Clerk)

Meeting commenced at 8.04pm

Cllr Delaney chaired meeting until a new chairman was voted in.

1. Apologies for absence. Cllrs Bowen;

1a Resignation notification of Chairman/Appointment of New Chair

A letter of resignation had been received from David Powell resigning from the council on 25th October 2020.

Cllr Delaney asked if anyone would like to become Chair of LKPC and Cllr Speed put himself forward as a candidate. It was unanimously agreed that Cllr Speed become the new chairman of LKPC. Proposed PD Seconded VRR

Cllr Speed took over chairing the meeting. Cllr Speed asked that a vote of thanks to David Powell be minuted expressing the members gratitude for all the hard work David had put in during his time as chairman.

2. Declaration of Interest None

3. Time for members of the public to address the Council None

4. To confirm minutes of meeting on Monday 14th September 2020

Minutes agreed as correct Proposed LM Seconded CD

5. Matters arising from minutes on Monday 14th September 2020

After discussion it was agreed that a letter should still be sent to KCC & Southern water regarding the state of the pond in Lynsted. **Action point** Clerk to draft out a letter for approval before emailing to KCC & Southern Water **Agenda item for next meeting-Drainage in Lynsted**

LM had spoken to Julia Kitt regarding holding some sort of Christmas event for the elderly residents of the parish. This would be kept under review taking into consideration Covid regulations.

6. Finance a) Receipts 2nd half of precept/lighting grant £10,019.50

b) Payments

Clerks Wages-Sept	SO	£711.28
HMRC-PAYE Sept	1210	£2.60
EDF	DD	£42.64
EDF	DD	£41.79
ICO Subs	DD	£35.00

Rural membership	1211	£55.00
Footpath Maintenance	1212	£595.00
Lynsted PCC-Donation	1213	£1000.00
Clerks Wages – October	SO	£725.52
HMRC-PAYE October	1214	£6.20
Streetlights	1215	£520.08
Streetlights	1216	£520.08

Bank rec presented and agreed as correct –To be signed by Chairman

c) Budget 2021/2022

The Clerk presented a draft budget for 2021/22-After discussion it was agreed this budget was acceptable and the precept did not need to be increased. Any shortfall in spending would come out of reserve funds. Proposed JS Seconded PD

d) Precept 2021/2022

It was agreed to set the precept at £17,049 plus a lighting grant of £2,990
Proposed JLB Seconded CD

7 Broadband in Lynsted-Update

The Clerk & Cllr Dawes had been in touch with the broadband team at KCC, and it was now confirmed that 50% of the village were now capable of getting fibre optic broadband. It was hoped that the rest of the village would be capable of receiving fibre optic broadband by the end of 2020. Sadly Erriott Wood & Kingsdown would not be covered by the new broadband capabilities. Cllr Ross Russell was in correspondence with BT looking into the alternative options for the areas still not covered by fibre optic broadband

7a Swale Area Committee-Voting rights

A named representative from the PC could attend the next SBC Area Committee meeting (Virtually) on Thursday 17th December 2020. JS agreed to attend if he was available.

7b Village Gates at Kingsdown

The Clerk confirmed that the £800 quote from KCC was for 1 gate only. The Clerk had emailed KCC for an update on the situation but to date had received no reply. **Agenda item next meeting**

7c Environmental Regulations on new builds-review document

Cllr Tim Valentine Cabinet member for Environment had agreed to attend the next LKPC meeting on Monday 30th November. It was agreed to email Cllr Valentine a copy of LKPC statement of intent regarding environmental building regulations. **Agenda item next meeting**

7d Notification of agenda items/Zoom protocols

After discussion it was agreed that if an item on the agenda pertained to an individual or a private residence, then the person/property in question would be sent a copy of the agenda in advance of the meeting. CD to draft out protocols for attending Zoom meetings and circulate to members for approval.

7e Lynsted Newsletter

A new editor and advertising manager for the Newsletter had been found. It was agreed that it would be better for a paper copy of the newsletter to be produced and to help with the financing of this the members agreed to reinstate the £250 donation towards production costs.
Proposed JS seconded TC

8. Planning

20/504185/TPOA TPO application to crown reduce one Oak tree back to previous points, prune epicormics growth and remove deadwood (leaving a final height of 15m, and spread of 13m); reduce height of section of conifers opposite Oaklea to 12m, and fell any poplars within the conifers

Oaklea House, The Vallance. Lynsted. Sittingbourne. Kent ME9 0RP

It was decided that there was no justification to fell the Poplar trees and cutting them back should suffice

Notice of Appeal Lodged with Planning Inspectorate

20/502122/FULL Change of use of land to residential, removal of existing fence, erection of a shed, and associated screening landscaping.

24 St Pauls Court. Lynsted. Sittingbourne. Kent **Duly noted**

The following application was received too late to go on the agenda, however the Cllrs felt there was no need for a special planning meeting and to leave the planning officer to deal with this application

20/504436/FULL Extension of existing driveway and creation of a new gated access to replace existing.

Dadmans, Christophers Row. Lynsted. Sittingbourne. ME9 0JJ

9. Correspondence Thank you letter from Rev Lillicrap-**Duly noted**

10. Consultations-Highstead Park

Cllr Whiting explained that this was only a Quinn Estates consultation and no planning application had been received, nor had any land been allocated for this development, and no formal consultation had been arranged. It was therefore something to keep under review for the future

11 Complaints None

12 AOB

CD praised the KALC planning white paper response letter. It was agreed that LKPC should send a letter of support for the KALC letter to The Secretary of State. **Action point** Clerk to draft a letter and circulate to members for approval

13 Date of next meeting Monday 30th November via ZOOM

Draft meeting dates had been emailed to members and were agreed

14 Standards meeting-If required

Meeting closed at 10.00pm Minutes prepared by Marion Mulley