

Lynsted with Kingsdown Parish Council
Minutes of a meeting held on Monday 25th July 2022
At Lynsted Church, Lynsted Lane @ 7.30pm

Present: Cllrs Speed (Chairman) Morgan; Carr; Delaney & M Mulley (Clerk)

Meeting commenced at 19.30

1. Chairman's Introduction Chairman thanked everyone for attending.

2. Apologies for absence Cllrs Langdon-Bassett; Bott; Stewart; Lehmann (KCC); Bowen (SBC) Whiting (SBC)

3. Declarations of Interest None

4. To confirm minutes of PC meeting on Monday 27th June 2022

Minutes could not be signed off as 2 members were not present that were present at the June meeting. **Deferred to October meeting**

5. Matters arising from minutes of monthly meeting on Monday 27th June 2022 **Deferred to October meeting**

6. Time for members of the public to address the council None

7. Update from Borough Councillors – No Councillors present

8. Update from County Councillor Cllr Lehmann not present but emailed an update on the bus situation. KCC have agreed to the subsidy cuts therefore all regular bus services through Lynsted will cease on 31/10/2022. The dial a ride Kent Karrier service will continue to run.

Community car sharing scheme discussed-To be discussed further at the APM

9. a) Receipts None

b) Payments

£109.35 EDF

£1054.57 EDF

£738.28 Clerks Wages – July 22

c) Bank rec & statement agreed and signed by Chairman

d) New electricity contract

The Chairman had signed a contract with Utility Aid for SSE to supply the PC from 01/09/22 for a 48 month period. At present costs this would be a saving of £2280 per year.

e) Review of 2022/2023 budget

Because of the unprecedented rise in electric charges the supply budget has been increased from £2,000 pa to £4,000 pa. The shortfall could be made up of underspend from other areas. It was agreed by all to give the PCC £1,000 towards the upkeep of the graveyard extension.

Proposed JS Seconded PD

10. Swale Borough Council Local Plan

A map supplied by SBC indicating proposed sites for new housing development in the forthcoming Reg 19 consultation was discussed. The consultation would start in Oct/Nov 22 and last for 6 weeks. JS had requested an extension to 12 weeks given the scale of the planning.

11. a) Applications published on Planning Public Access at pa.midkent.gov.uk None

22/503278/TPOA Tree preservation order application: T1 - Large weeping willow to be removed. This tree has suffered storm damage over several years and is now showing signs of decay and damage. There are several horizontal and vertical stress cracks and fungi growing on the trunk of the tree where a large section of bark fell off a number of years ago. T2, T3, and T4 - Goat willow growing within the pond boundary to be removed. Scrub - consisting of mainly elder and small willow trees.

Aymers Lodge. The Vallance. Lynsted. Kent. ME9 0RH **No objections subject to approval by SBC tree officer.**

22/503371/FULL Erection of a two storey rear extension with 2no side dormers to an existing annexe building ancillary to the main dwelling house. Halfacre House. Lynsted Lane. Lynsted. Sittingbourne. Kent. ME9 0EN **No objections**

22/502834/EIOOUT Outline application for up to 380 residential dwellings (including affordable homes) and 450 sqm of Use Class E/F floorspace, together with associated open space, play space, and landscaping (All matters reserved except for access). | Land West of Church Road Bapchild Tonge Kent.

Tonge PC had requested and granted an extension till 17th Aug 22 for comments. LKPC would be objecting to this application. Tonge PC had commissioned a planning report. **Action point** JS to write to planning Dept. with LKPC objections.

b) New applications published after issue of agenda - None

c) Land to the East of Lynsted Lane 21/502609/OUT

No further update, however, the independent highways report failed to mention the A2 junction, therefore JS had requested the exact brief from SBC to ascertain if it should have been included in the report

d) Cellar Hill orchard - No further correspondence received

12a APM arrangements & Agenda/Lynsted Fete arrangements

Fete LM to request a gazebo & table from fete committee. JS to organise display material. JS to email out a roster to Councillors for half hour slots to cover the fete stand.

APM JS to organise drinks; VRR/LM/JLB/MM to confer regarding food. JS to produce a leaflet promoting the APM in Sept, which will be given out at fete and delivered to households in the parish. Alistair Stewart will give a talk on water. Tim Valentine will give a talk on climate change.

12b Dog Bin-Update

It is hoped that installation will be mid to late August. **Agenda item next meeting**

12c Lynsted pumping station No update available

12d Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) Lynsted/Doddington PC

The Clerk had contacted Doddington PC and there was no further update at present

12e Village gates at Kingsdown

A gate had been installed at the Lynsted Lane end of the village, however a suitable site was still being sought for the Sittingbourne end gate. Duncan Anderson had agreed to allow the PC to erect the gate on his ground. **Action point** TC to monitor and confer with KCC Highways.

Agenda item next meeting

12f Footpath map – St Peters Place

The Clerk had accepted the estimate and the wood is now on order. **Agenda item next meeting**

12g Traffic calming in Lynsted-KCC HIP update/Speed Watch update - No update available

12h Platinum Jubilee/Commemorative Oak Tree-Update

JS had contacted KCC and it had now been confirmed that only 1 Oak tree would be planted in the autumn and residents of The Vallance were in agreement with this.

12i Noticeboards refurbishment

The Clerk had received 3 estimates to prepare, and paint with Sandolin

Kingsdown £120 Accepted - Clerk to contact contractor

Lynsted £120 Accepted - Clerk to contact contractor

London Road £90 - Declined

After discussion the above was agreed by all. Proposed LM Seconded VRR

12j Church Wall - Update

The Clerk had received a letter from Jay Jenkins - Leisure & Technical Services Manager at SBC. Repairing the wall would cost in the region of £60,000 with an additional £40,000 for repairs to other sections of the wall. Funds were not available at present and were being sought. In the interim SBC had carried out a temporary repair until the funding can be found

12k Teynham GP Surgery

The surgery will close on Friday 29th July 22 and open at the Memorial Hospital on Monday 1st August

12l Defibrillator - Church No further update available

Other sites were discussed. **Action point** Clerk to investigate other forms of funding **Agenda item next meeting**

13. Correspondence None

14. Consultations None

15 Complaints None

16. Standing orders amendments

After discussion it was agreed to amend clause 36.4 to

"Any matter raised by members of the public shall not require a response at the meeting, nor start a discussion, unless permitted by the Chairman or where the matter is already on the published agenda".

Proposed JS Seconded PD

17. AOB

Clerk to register with SBC to have charging points for electric cars in the layby at Batteries Close & Kingsdown Layby

18. Dates of next meetings

Mon 26th Sept 2022-APM & Social event

Mon 31st Oct 2022 – Budget Review

Mon 28th Nov 2022- Precept meeting

Mon 19th Dec 2022

Meeting closed at 21.30

Minutes prepared by Marion Mulley