

ULCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday 13 July 2017 at 7.15pm.at the Village Hall, Ulcombe

Those Present Cllr Titchener (Chairman), Cllr Kenward, Cllr Lovegrove, Cllr Moir and Cllr Robinson. Mrs Helen Anderson (Clerk).

There were 10 parishioners present.

1. **(a) Apologies for absence** were received and accepted from Cllr Thompson (Work Commitments). Borough Councillor Round, Borough Councillor Prendergast, PCSO John Boyd and Community Warden Dawn Riach-Brown.
(b) Declarations of Changes to the Register of Interests There were no changes to the register of interests.
(c) Declarations of Pecuniary Interest or other Interests as defined by the Kent Code of Conduct and the Localism Act 2011 on any items on the agenda None were received.
(d) Requests for Dispensations There were no requests made.
(e) Declarations of Lobbying There were no declarations made.
2. **Parishioners Questions** – None received.
3. **Policing Report** - There were 3 reported crimes for the period 9 June to 13 July 2017.
Community Warden Report –There was no report received.
4. **Borough Councillor Report** – There was no reports received.
5. **The Minutes** of the meeting held on 8 June 2017 were received. It was RESOLVED that the minutes were taken as a read and confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.
6. **To receive an update about progress of resolutions from the last meeting (Information Only)**
 1. Cllr Robinson had completed the questionnaire on the South Eastern Train Consultation document
 2. The recreation ground fence and electrical cabling works have now been finished.
 3. The speedwatch equipment has now been serviced by Unipar.
 4. The Surestart Children’s Centre are planning to visit the recreation ground on 3 August. Further details regarding times is still to be confirmed.
 5. The Traffic Speed Survey on the Lenham Road has now been undertaken and the results from Kent Highways are pending.
7. **Parish Clerks Report**

There were no items raised.

8. Planning

(a) The Council considered the following planning applications

17/501177/FULL Hill Barn Farm, Lenham Road, Ulcombe Conversion and change of use of existing redundant agricultural barn and stable into a residential dwelling *Amended details*. It was RESOLVED that the Council wished to see this application approved and for it not to be reported to the planning committee if found to be contrary to the officers decision.

17/502586/FULL The Vine, Greenhill Lane, Harrietsham Retention of mobile home and associated building for residential use and continued use of land for the selling and storage of caravans. It was RESOLVED that the Council wished to see this application approved and wished for this to be reported to the planning committee if found to be contrary to the officers decision.

17/502791/FULL Oakhurst Farm, Ulcombe Road, Headcorn Retrospective application for a new dwelling. It was RESOLVED that the Council would wish to see this application refused and for it not to be reported to the planning committee if found to be contrary to the officers decision.

17/503214/FULL Rain Farm, Eastwood Road, Ulcombe Conversion of existing barn to 1 residential dwelling incorporating an extension and demolition of other barns within site. It was RESOLVED that the Council wished to see this application approved and for it to be reported to the planning committee if found to be contrary to the officers decision.

17/501852/FULL/ANJO Greengates, Lenham Road, Headcorn Siting of four mobile homes and three touring caravans. (Retrospective). It was RESOLVED that the Council would wish to see this application refused and for it to be reported to the planning committee if found to be contrary to the officers decision.

17/503284/FULL Church Farm, Ulcombe Hill, Ulcombe Erection of Cravo greenhouses, general purpose agricultural storage building, water storage tanks, drainage works, construction of a reservoir and landscaping. It was RESOLVED to defer this application until a public and extraordinary meeting is held on 24 August.

(b) The following planning decisions taken by the Borough Council have been duly noted:-

17/502061/PNQCLA The Old Apple Store on land between Forge House and Rock Cottage, Pye Corner, Ulcombe. Refused 9/6/2017.

The following planning applications currently remain outstanding:-

15/501511 Pitches 2&3 Martins Gardens, Lenham Road, Headcorn

16/502358 Smiths Cottage, Lenham Road, Headcorn

16/506067 Tong Farm, Headcorn

17/501477 Land at Pye Corner, Ulcombe

17/502354 Mansion House, Knowle Hill, Ulcombe

17/502714 Caravan 2, Hawthorn Farm, Pye Corner, Ulcombe

It was noted that planning application 16/506067 and 17/501477 are expected to be considered by the Maidstone Borough Council Planning Committee in late July/Early August.

(c) Notification has been received of planning appeals for Land Rear of the Meadows, Lenham Road, Headcorn. (Ref APP/U2235/C/17/3173040, APP/U2235/C/17/3173026, APP/U2235/C/17/3173023, APP/U2235/C/17/3173046). The deadline for comments is 15 August 2017.

9. **Finance**

(a) Receipts of Income		
Headcorn Football Club	Pitch Fees	£ 220.00
Total		<u>£ 220.00</u>

(b) The Council RESOLVED for the accounts listed to be paid.

Unipar Services	001978	Annual Subscription	243.60
Kent County Council	001979	Speed Survey	1497.00
LW Safety	001980	Fire Extinguisher Service	454.13
Helen Anderson	001981	Salary & Expenses	555.60
Post Office Ltd	001982	Tax & NI Payment	84.40
Peter Titchener	001983	Stationery	58.00
		Total	<u><u>£2,892.73</u></u>

(c) The Bank Reconciliation was presented and agreed.

(d) The quarterly budget review for the period April to June 2017 was presented and agreed.

10. **Correspondence**

(a) Notification of upcoming consultations by Maidstone Borough Council for 2017/18 has been received. This includes the Local Emissions Strategy which has a deadline for comments by the 29 August 2017.

(b) Further information has been received on the Fire Hydrant Initiative Project. It was agreed to obtain a map of hydrant locations.

(c) A copy email to Councillor Prendergast from a local resident regarding Ulcombe Primary School. This was noted and agreed to place on file.

11. **Recreation Play Area/Car Park**

(a) The monthly Inspection report was received from Cllr Ian Moir and no new issues had been identified.

(b) It was noted that quad bikes/motorbikes had been seen on the Recreation Ground. It was agreed to look at purchasing further signage to indicate that motorized vehicles are not allowed on the ground

(c) It was noted that some low hanging branches had been reported along the footpath. It was agreed to arrange for these to be trimmed back.

(d) Cllr Robinson reported that she had met with 3 play area companies to discuss new equipment for the play area. Detailed plans and costings are currently being received for future consideration.

12. Highway Issues

1. A resident reported that the road had sunk in Eastwood Road following a repair to the water main. This is to be reported.
2. There were no reports received on any outstanding issues.

13. Holiday Cover Emergency contact cover was agreed for August to cover the clerk's holiday leave.

14. Tree Preservation Orders Cllr Kenward reported that she had received a list of current TPO's from Maidstone Borough Council and would be plotting these onto maps for future reference.

15. Reports from Councillors who have attended external meetings.

There were no reports given.

16. Matters for information, urgent matters at the discretion of the Chairman for noting only or any items for further discussion at the September meeting.

A contact for the litter team at Maidstone Borough Council has been obtained for future reference and it was agreed to contact them regarding carrying out a litter pick on Ulcombe Hill and surrounding area.

The Meeting closed at 21:40pm

Approved by:

Date: