## APPLEDORE PARISH COUNCIL



# Minutes of the Meeting 5th November 2018 at 18.30 hrs Appledore Village Hall

#### **Present**

Councillors: James Perkins (Chair), Helen Hennig, Roger Hiskey, Charles Wilkinson, Chris Vane and Derek Winter.

In Attendance: County Councillor Mike Hill and the Clerk Mary Philo.

Members of the Public: 44 by item 9

#### 1. Formalities

I) The council was quorate (LGA Act 1972 sch12, 12/28/45).

II) Apologies had been received from Councillors. Burgess and Jenkins (LGA Act 1972 sch12, 12.)

III) Declarations of interest

Councillors Wilkinson and Vane – Hornes Place Planning Application – Other Significant Interest Dispensations: None (Code of Conduct).

2. Pursuant to section 1) of the Public Bodies (Admissions Act) 1960, it was resolved that, because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, the public and press leave the meeting during the consideration of Budget allocation for proposed refurbishment projects to be carried out resulting from the sale of the council field Proposed Councillor Hiskey and seconded Councillor Winter (LGA1972 sch12A part1 1)

There were no members of the public

A strategy for the budget allocation for the recreation ground pavilion was resolved.

Members of the public re-entered the room at 18.55pm

# 3. Approval of Draft minutes

It was resolved to agree the minutes of the meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2018 as a true record. Proposed Councillor Hiskey and seconded Councillor Vane (LGA Act 1972 sch12,19.1).

#### 4. Finances

I) As at 31<sup>st</sup> October the balance stood at £48,013.69. Second Quarter Financial report is attached II) Income received:

£ 3.51 October bank interest

£ 84.24 Public donations from the toilets. Total donations to date £ 1,765.91

III) Cheques raised since the last meeting:

£859.38 October Salaries

IV) It was resolved to draw the following:

£ 5,195.00 Public works Loan Board: six monthly payment on loan for grant to village hall

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£ 72.00 KALC – Clerk's Finance Course (Vat £12.00)

£ 63.30 M Philo Admin Costs: Room £30, Car £ 23.40, Requisites for the toilets £7.00 (vat £5.83)

stamps £2.90.

£15.00 Appledore Parish Magazine – leaflet inclusion £ 45.00 C Vane – Refund for leaflet: Update on Council Field

# 5. Planning (Town and Country Planning Acts 1990 sch1/2010)

I) Ashford Borough Decisions Advised:

- a) 18/01261/AS Heath Bungalow Woodchurch Road: Proposed first floor and single storey rear extensions and demolition of side conservatory Permitted
- b) 18/01374/AS (Listed Building Consent) Appledore Train Station: Help point and hearing loop withdrawn
- II) New applications for A.P.C. to consider and vote on:
- a) 18/01439/AS Quillets Oast, Court Lodge Road: Conversion and extension to existing garage to form carer accommodation (ancillary to main dwelling) resubmission of planning permission 14/00631/AS. It was resolved to support the application. Proposed by Councillor Wilkinson and seconded by Councillor Hennig.
- b) 18/01449/AS Gusbourne Farm, Kenardington Road (Lawful Development Certificate): Proposed 5 mobile homes for housing seasonal agricultural workers in conjunction with the agricultural requirements by Gusbourne Estate. It was resolved to support this application should it be within permitted regulations. Proposed by Councillor Wilkinson and seconded by Councillor Hiskey. c) 18/01376/AS Hornes Place Oast, Kenardington Road (amendment to description: Change of use from C3 dwelling house to a flexible use as either Sui Generis (holiday let) or C3 dwelling house. Erection of replacement timber gate, works to the pond, timber decking and jetty, and play area (retrospective). It was resolved to comment that it had strong reservations about this change of wording and also highlight that the access gate erected as a temporary measure should not be used regularly because of limited view along the road.

#### 6. Council Field

It was resolved to agree to Martello carrying out preplanning application work such as surveys and reports prior to a contract being signed. Proposed Councillor Vane and seconded Councillor Wilkinson (1972 LGA Mis.s111)

## 7. Battle's Over (Tracy Morgan of Battle's Over)

The council thanked Tracy Morgan for being the linchpin for the event and the history society for organising the acquisition and installation of the beacon itself. The working party wished as part of the commemoration to make appropriate donations to British Legion, Appledore Bell Ringers, Royal Navy Association, Royal Air Force Benevolent Fund, The Army's National Charity, The Merchant Navy Association. **Following amendment, it was resolved to fund a further £200 for the event.** Proposed Councillor Hennig and seconded Councillor Hiskey

Cheques to be signed at the meeting - £100 – donation to Northiam Bonfire Society; £ 50 – donation to Salvation Army (bugler); £180 – Parish Magazine Cover and laminated posters; £13.00 Adhesive and tape, £95.00 materials for silhouettes.

## 8. Highways and Byways

- I) Residential Enabling Car Park An onsite meeting had been recently held with all stakeholders to find a solution to the current impasse.
- II) Eight traffic and speed survey cables had been laid and the council awaited the findings.

# The meeting was adjourned at 19.25 hrs

Report from County Councillor Michael Hill

# **County Council Budget**

The government had announced further additional funding for adult social care and potholes. As a result, the county council would be able to balance its budget without taking extreme measures. Kent County Council was in a better financial position than many other county councils.

## The meeting was reconvened at 19.30 hrs

9. Update on the Sale of the Council Field and for Residential Development: Improvements to Appledore Village Hall and Recreation Ground, Road Safety Improvements, Refurbishment of the Public Toilets and proposed Linear Park – Presentation of initial sketches and plans for hall refurbishment and linear park. The council meeting opened for questions from the public at 19.45 hrs

The following topics were discussed:

Extension of the linear park idea down to the Black Lion

Live band events at the hall

Financial integrity of the developer

Risk to the parish council once the land was transferred

Choice of developer

Request for staging for the hall

Temporary footpath closure and its diversion

Planned hall access with new entrance halls front and back

Canvassing community opinion

Independent valuations for projects

Planned hall cladding

No of toilets required per square foot

Kitchen

Upgrade to tennis courts

Pitch roof

Road safety

Possible demise of the developer

No 1 the Street

A new hall/community centre.

A show of hands were in favour of a broad improvement scheme for the village hall.

## The Meeting was reconvened at 22.35 hrs

## **Date of Next Meeting**

3<sup>rd</sup> December 2018, 19.30hrs in the village hall. The meeting closed at 22.40 hrs.

# **Second Quarters Financial Report**

Receipts for the period were £ 15,495.71.

Net payments made for the period were £ 3,999.91 In addition £1,125.00 is coming out of the reserve for the council field.

Spending is in line with expectations