

NEWINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on 11 December 2018 in the Wickham Room, Newington Village Hall.

Present: Cllr Debbie Haigh (Chair), Cllr Tony Mould, Cllr Dean Coles, Cllr Steve Godmon, Cllr Mel Harris, Cllr Elaine Jackson, Cllr Eric Layer, Cllr Jeannie Milburn, Cllr Richard Palmer and Cllr Graham Staff; and Mrs Wendy Licence (Clerk).

Also present were three members of the public.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies had been received from Cllr Stephen Harvey (personal): apologies accepted. Apologies had also been received from KCCllr Mike Whiting, SBCllr Gerry Lewin and SBCllr John Wright; apologies noted.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None were declared.

3. MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 27 NOVEMBER 2018

Cllr Haigh **PROPOSED** to accept the minutes of the meeting held on 27 November as a true record; **SECONDED** by Cllr Layer; **AGREED UNANIMOUSLY**. Cllr Haigh duly signed the minutes as a true record.

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Cllr Haigh said Swale Borough Council has arranged a Strategic Swale Air Quality Action Plan meeting on 19 January 2018 at the Village Hall. The strategy issued mentions the 20's Plenty campaign.

5. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

The meeting was adjourned for the Public Question Time

A resident said the memorial bench on the village green is in the wrong place and while Swale Borough Council has a policy for seaside benches, the type of bench is not found in residential areas. The Parish Council is requested to discuss moving the bench with the family. Neighbours do not support the bench location. The Parish Council is requested to petition Swale Borough Council to remove the bench.

Cllr Haigh said the emails received have been circulated but the Parish Council does not have the authority to deal with the matter.

Cllr Palmer said a petition from residents would carry more weight.

Cllr Haigh said the Parish Council had been informed by Swale Borough Council about the memorial although the actual site of the bench was vague and it was thought it would be near the bus shelter. When the installation work first started the Parish Council requested it be moved further away from the village sign and memorial garden. The project was promoted by KCCllr Whiting on behalf of the family. The Parish Council did discuss whether it was suitable to put a memorial bench on the green but were not consulted regarding the site or type of bench. Residents need to contact SBCllr Lewin and SBCllr Wright. The green is an amenity site owned by Kent County Council.

ACTION: Item for January Full Council agenda.

The meeting was reconvened.

6. VISITORS

None were present.

7. PLANNING

i. To receive an update

Application: 18/505119/FULL 148 High Street, Newington ME9 7JH

Proposal: Erection of granny annexe in rear garden

A decision is yet to be made.

Application: 18/505142/FULL 43 Church Lane, Newington ME9 7JT

Proposal: Extension to the existing permitted development rear extension, including alterations to the roof.

A decision is yet to be made.

Application: 18/504230/FULL Land At Mill Hill, Upchurch ME9 7PE

Proposal: Erection of 4no. stables, tack room, feed store and wash down room and construction of a 20m x 60m manege for private use and for two schooling livery clients

A decision is yet to be made.

Application: 18/505315/FULL Land At The Tracies, Newington ME9 7TQ

Proposal: Erection of 5no. detached houses with associated access and parking including detached carport to Plot 2.

A decision is yet to be made.

Application: 18/505431/FULL Ashfield Court Farm, School Lane, Newington ME9 7LB

Proposal: Conversion and single storey rear extension of existing triple garage together with ramped access to create an annexe for a dependent elderly relative.

A decision is yet to be made.

Application: 18/502531/FULL 61 Playstool Road, Newington ME9 7NL

Proposal: Erection of a first floor rear extension and loft extension with front dormer (Retrospective works to 16/503414/FULL).

A decision is yet to be made.

Application: 17/506569/FULL Breach Farm Paddocks, Land North-east Of Breach Farm Bungalow, Breach Lane, Upchurch ME9 7PE

Proposal: Change of use of land to single gypsy pitch and associated development (alternative to 15/502716)

A decision is yet to be made.

Application: 17/504342/FULL Newington Working Mens Club

Proposal: Retrospective demolition of former Working Mens Club and erection of 9no. dwellings and 1no. maisonette together with carports for garaging of cars (Revised

The application has been refused.

Application: 17/504813/FULL Car Wash, 67 High Street, Newington ME9 7JJ

Proposal: Part change of use from car wash to residential for one studio

NB Application 15/509335/FULL Car Wash 67 High Street Newington Kent ME9 7JJ

Proposal: Use of land for the storage of 2x touring caravans

A decision is yet to be made.

Application: 18/505060/ADJ (Alternative reference: 18/504836/EIOUT) Binbury Park, Detling Hill, Detling, Maidstone, Kent

Proposal: Adjoining Authority Consultation from Maidstone Borough Council for Outline application (with all matters reserved apart from access) for the erection of up to 1,750

dwelling including affordable housing, 46,000 sq.m of commercial space, a hotel, a local centre, a new primary school, a park and ride facility, strategic highways improvements including new Kent Showground access/egress, accesses/roads including a new bridleway bridge, parking, associated open space, landscaping, services, and Sustainable Drainage Systems. In addition the proposals include a publicly-accessible country park including the Binbury Motte and Bailey Castle Scheduled Ancient Monument.

A decision is yet to be made.

Ref: 17/506345/FULL Building at Keycol Farm, Keycol Hill, Bobbing ME9 7LG // ME9 8NA Proposal: Demolition of pole barn attached to northern elevation and conversion of a former agricultural building into two dwellings with associated access and parking and as amended by drawing number 21187 PL06 Rev received 28.02.2018.

Planning Inspectorate ref: APP/V2255/W/18/3205056

A decision is yet to be made.

Application 17/505711/HYBRID Land at Wises Lane, Borden ME10.1GD

Proposal: Hybrid planning application with outline planning permission (all matters reserved except for access) sought for up to 595 dwellings including affordable housing; a two-form entry primary school with associated outdoor space and vehicle parking; local facilities comprising a Class A1 retail store of up to 480 sq m GIA and Class D1 medical facility of up to 560 sq m GIA; a rugby clubhouse / community building of up to 375 sq m GIA, three standard RFU sports pitches and associated vehicle parking; a link road between Borden Lane and Chestnut Street / A249; allotments; and formal and informal open space incorporating SuDS, new planting / landscaping and ecological enhancement works. Full planning permission is sought for the erection of 80 dwellings including affordable housing, open space, associated access / roads, vehicle parking, associated services, infrastructure, landscaping and associated SuDS. For clarity - the total number of dwellings proposed across the site is up to 675

A decision is yet to be made.

ii. Ref: 18/505516/FULL

Address: Mayfield House, London Road, Newington ME9 7TW

Proposal: Demolition of a front porch. Erection of a single storey rear extension and internal alterations (Revision to 18/502912/FULL)

Councillors considered the application and had no comments to make save that neighbours' comments be taken into account.

8. FINANCE

i. Cheque list: to consider invoices for payment

Payee	Expenditure	Amount £	Cheque No.
Profile Business Supplies	Village Voice- December	£60.00	2917
Mrs P Rowe	Litter Picking Recreation Ground and sight check equipment December 2018	£110.00	2918
Mr MJ Marshall	Cemetery and Churchyard maintenance December 2018	£490.00	2919
HMRC	PAYE & NI	£149.46	2920
Mrs W Licence	Salary and expenses	£817.65	2921

CANCELLED			2922
Ms L Wright <i>For A Heavey</i>	Litter picking December	£280.50	2923
Mr R Jackson	Pavilion expenses	£13.50	2924

It was **AGREED UNANIMOUSLY** to the signing of the cheques

Receipts

£10.00 Tunstall Parish Council Share of Clerks' Conference
£1200.00 Co-op funeral service Burial fees

ii. Budget 2019-20

Cllr Haigh said there had been no feedback from Councillors following the circulation of the draft budget. Guidance from Swale Borough Council Democratic Services is that Parish Councils should allow £1 per person for election expenses. The Finance Working Group has allowed £1500 for election expenses so there could be a further £600 added to the budget to allow for this.

Cllr Harris **PROPOSED** that if there is a contested election, the £600 should be taken from reserves and that a Precept of £47842 be raised; **SECONDED** by Cllr Palmer: **AGREED UNANIMOUSLY**.

iii. Any other finance matter received by 11 December 2018

Cllr Haigh reported that KCCllr Whiting has offered half of the cost of £663 towards installing five aside goals.

Cllr Layer said he has spoken to the Allotments Committee and they have no objection to the goal posts being installed.

9. CHURCHYARD AND CEMETERY

There was nothing to report.

10. HIGHWAYS

There was nothing to report.

ACTION: 20's Plenty to be item on January agenda.

11. STREET LIGHTING

i. To receive an update

Cllr Haigh informed Members that KCCllr Whiting has offered £2,000 towards the upgrade of the street lights. The final quotation has been received from Streetlights and amounts to £42,800. Cllr Haigh said she will complete the online application form to apply for a loan from Salix.

ii. To consider quotation for remedial street lighting work

Cllr Haigh said there needs to be some remedial work carried out on the street lights including pruning the thick vegetation, pole box replacement, fuse carrier and pole bracket replacements.

Cllr Haigh **PROPOSED** to accept the quotation of £2716.25 from Streetlights for remedial work; **SECONDED** by Cllr Palmer: **AGREED UNANIMOUSLY**.

12. REPORTS FROM MEMBERS

Cllr Harris said the replacement of the Village Hall CCTV is going ahead.

ACTION: Cllr Harris to contact the Village Hall Committee for a start date.

13. CORRESPONDENCE

1. 27.11.18: email regarding one-way system in Bull Lane

ACTION: Clerk to request KCllr Whiting to ensure the Parish Council is informed of progress and that residents are consulted.

2. 29.11.18: SBCllr Wright- details of Air Quality consultation

3. 03 12 18: NHG diary- added to website.

4. 05 12 18: SBCllr Wright- Request for a new safety camera A2 Newington Nr Sittingbourne

ACTION: Clerk to request consideration be given to average-speed cameras.

5. 07 12 18: Resident concerned about the bench on Newington Green

6. 07 12 18: SBCllr Wright's response to bench on Newington Green

14. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Cllr Mould said the issue with the defibrillator key pad has been resolved.

Cllr Palmer said the cabinet has to be pulled hard to open it.

Cllr Jackson said the old goal posts have been removed from the Pavilion area. The caretaker and a hirer were stuck in the mud by the Pavilion. The new padlock has been put on the lower gate.

Cllr Staff said he has spoken to PCSO John Cork about the Police Surgery at Cornerstones Café on 20 December.

Cllr Haigh said that she and Cllr Mould will meet with the vicar and the church youth worker, there may be opportunity for funding from S106 money.

Date of next meeting: Tuesday 29 January 2019

There being no further business, the meeting finished at 7.57pm

Signed as a true record of the meeting:

Chair

Date: 29 January 2019