

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF DYMCHURCH PARISH COUNCIL held on
MONDAY, 5th SEPTEMBER, 2016, at 13 Orgarswick Avenue, Dymchurch.

PRESENT: Chairman Cllr. Roger Wilkins, Cllr. Russell Tillson, Cllr. Richard Blackwell, Cllr. Arran Harvey, Cllr. Denise Meyers, Cllr. Ian Meyers, Cllr. Terry Mullard, Cllr. Merlin Redding.

Parish Clerk

APOLOGIES:

None.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

None.

PUBLIC SESSION:

No members of the public present.

MINUTES:

Proposed by Cllr. Tillson, seconded by Cllr. Blackwell, that the Minutes of the meeting held on 1st August, 2016 be approved. Carried.

MATTERS ARISING:

None.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Councillor Paul Brownscombe:

Cllr. Brownscombe has sent a letter of resignation to the Council. He will no longer be eligible to continue in his role as he has moved to Essex for his work. SDC has been notified.

Shepway District Council:

Highways England:

Consultation in the form of on-line questionnaire and public information events are being held regarding managing freight vehicles through Kent. Clerk read the public information event dates; the nearest location to this parish is Lympne Village Hall on Saturday 10 September from 12noon – 6pm. Web-site for the questionnaire is:

<https://highwaysengland.citizenspace.com/he/managing-frieght-vehicles-through-kent>.

Kent County Council:

An exercise will be taking place on 27th September to test the east coast tidal surge plan in the Littlestone area.

East Kent Strategy Office: NHS South Kent Coast CCG:

A new publication has been launched titled *Better Health and Care in East Kent; time to change*.

The group is committed to addressing and reducing the health and wellbeing, care and quality, and financial gaps described in the national NHS five year forward view. More information is available at <http://www.southkentcoastccg.nhs.uk/news/news-articles/?blogpost=8910>

All-Party Parliamentary Group for the Visitor Economy:

The All Party Parliamentary Group (APPG) for the Visitor Economy will conduct an inquiry and produce a report into the common challenges and opportunities facing coastal communities and the role for the visitor economy. Council requested clerk to submit the council's concern over caravan parks being misused as residential and the effect this has on the local economy.

The Royal Mint:

Notification received that the new 12-sided £1 coin will be introduced into circulation in March 2017. On 13th September the new £5 note will be launched and the old withdrawn in May 2017. The new £10 note will be launched in summer 2017 and the old £1 coin will be demonetised in autumn 2017.

Take One Media:

Update on distribution of the leaflet has been received. There are 2000+ leaflets remaining from this season's campaign. Council agreed the remaining leaflets should be distributed next year during May, June, July and August.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS:

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| Y16/0633/SH | Erection of ground floor rear extension |
| 17 Mill Road | Approved by SDC |
| Y16/0658/SH | Erection of single storey rear extension |
| 7 Mill Road | Approved by SDC. |

Notification received that Tree Preservation Order No.16 of 1990 sited at 24 Eastbridge Road has been revoked.

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| Y16/0953/SH | Coppicing of willow tree in conservation area. |
| 49 High Street | Proposed by Cllr. Mullard, seconded by Cllr. Tillson, that No objection be raised. Voting: For: 8 Against: 0 Abstentions: 0 Interest declared:0 |

ACCOUNTS:

Clerk tabled a statement of accounts for the period April – August 2016.

Proposed by Cllr. Tillson, seconded by Cllr. Denise Meyers, that the accounts be accepted.
Agreed.

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| Salaries: | 2158.61 |
| HMR&C: | 662.88 |
| SDC | 265.70 |
| Veolia ES UK | 69.80 |
| Southern Water | 38.02 |
| Keith Rouse | 84.00 |
| Post Office | 204.00 |
| Peter Goddard | 42.00 |
| Affinity Water | 170.84 |
| M. Wood | 705.00 |
| Young's | 13.19 |

DISTRICT COUNCIL REPORT:

Cllr. Meyers attended a couple of meetings and commented that it has been rather quiet.

Cllr. Wilkins informed SDC has imposed a stop notice on the works at the former garage site on the A259 at New Romney due to breach of planning regulations.

CLERK'S REPORT:

CCTV is up and running on the slipway; improved images could be obtained by using an intruder-type light that is activated at the same time as the camera. Council agreed to install the light. The web-cam will be available on the council's web-site shortly.

Children's entertainment has been a huge success and several visitors and traders have made positive comment. Also the picnic tables have been very popular.

Well-being equipment will be installed shortly, and the concrete bases have been prepared.

Some trees at the recreation ground need cutting back. 38a St. Mary's Road has made complaint and some branches are hanging down at eye level towards the back of the recreation ground. Council agreed for the trees to be attended to.

Lighting at The Oval has reached a conclusion in so much that SDC is now looking at offering lighting in private roads to residents/groups to maintain. Proposals have not been drawn up as yet.

As of 1st October, Chapel Road medical surgery will no longer provide patient car parking, although disabled and parent/children spaces will be available at the front of the building.

Dave Illsley has suggested getting the Coastal Community Team together to go through the plan and decide on any next steps. Council suggested Dave be invited to the next planning and strategy working group meeting on 2nd November.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

The renovated benches on the site of the old kiosk have proved very popular.

A street pedlar has been seen in the village. He legally holds a Police Pedlar Licence.

A drain in Sea Wall Road has been blocked by waste coming from a shop and SDC has served notice on the shop to rectify the problem.

The Day of Syn was very successful and council requested the clerk to write a letter to the organising committee.

Yellow lines have been painted at Seabourne Way and outside The Ocean. Residents at Marshlands have now requested yellow lines.

TO RECEIVE REPORTS ON MEETINGS ATTENDED:

Cllr. Wilkins attended a Dungeness Stake Holders Meeting at Dungeness A site where delegates were shown the new plant. 25 ton of low-level waste is to be processed at the site over the next 18 months and it will then be returned to Bradwell.

Cllr. Meyers has met with SDC's new finance director and is satisfied the budget is sound.

TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM WORKING GROUPS:

Strategy and Planning Working Group met on 10th August.

Minutes of the meeting had previously been circulated to members.

Cllr. Harvey addressed key issues and the following recommendations made:

Proposed by Cllr. Harvey, seconded by Cllr. Tillson, that the clerk be requested to oversee installation of a second workstation at the council offices. Voting: Unanimous.

Proposed by Cllr. Harvey, seconded by Cllr. Denise Meyers, that council agree to purchase hanging baskets for the village in 2017. Voting: Unanimous.

Proposed by Cllr. Harvey, seconded by Cllr. Tillson, that the Children's entertainment team be secured for next season and the hours of entertainment be increased to a total of 24 per week. Voting: For: 7, Against: 1

Proposed by Cllr. Harvey, seconded by Cllr. Tillson, that the chairman form a personnel working group to review and appraise the staffing structure. Voting: Unanimous.

Assets and Amenities Working Group met on 17th August.

Minutes of the meeting had previously been circulated to members.

Cllr. Tillson addressed key issues and the following recommendations made:

Proposed by Cllr. Tillson, seconded by Cllr. Denise Meyers, that the parish council agrees to pay for a topographical survey and outline sketch identifying opportunities at the car park and recreation ground. Voting: Unanimous.

Proposed by Cllr. Tillson, seconded by Cllr. Denise Meyers, that Council continues to progress with changing the deeds to its property and abides by the contractual pre-emption clause it has with its neighbour. Voting: Unanimous.

Proposed by Cllr. Tillson, seconded by Cllr. Wilkins that the Assets and Amenities working group produce a report on options for temporary accommodation. Voting: Unanimous.

Proposed by Cllr. Tillson, seconded by Cllr. Blackwell, that council agrees a small budget of £3000 from capital expenditure for asset and amenities working group to start progressing with development initiatives at the car park and recreation ground. Voting: Unanimous.

SDC PARISH CHARTER:

Cllr. Tillson expressed concern that the Parish Charter is not explicit as to what happens to Section 106 contributions.

Cllr. Wilkins suggested SDC officer/s be invited to attend the next parish council meeting to discuss the Charter in more detail. If officers can be secured, a meeting will be arranged at 6.30pm. All agreed.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

Cllr. Denise Meyers expressed disappointment that the two planters ordered in March have not been completed as yet.

Cllr. Blackwell made enquiries about Salbris Twinning visit. Cllr. Wilkins informed a seat is to be donated which is likely to be sited on the grass area at the slipway.

Cllr. Blackwell raised the issue of fatalities at Camber Sands and stressed the need for SDC Councillors to raise this at SDC with a view to considering lifeguards on beaches in Shepway.

Meeting closed at 8.20pm

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the next meeting of **DYMCHURCH PARISH COUNCIL** will be held on **MONDAY, 3 OCTOBER, 2016** at 7.00pm, at the Parish Council offices, 13 Orgarswick Avenue.

AGENDA

- 1) Receive apologies for absence
- 2) Declaration of Interest (*Councillors should disclose pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest/s in any item/s on this agenda. Councillors with a pecuniary interest must describe and give details of the interest. Unless the pecuniary interest amounts to a prejudicial interest, he/she may participate fully in the meeting.*)
- 3) Public Session
- 4) Approve the Minutes of the last meeting and discuss matters arising
- 5) Read Correspondence
- 6) Consider Planning Applications
- 7) Consider Payment of Accounts
- 8) District Council Report
- 9) Clerk's Report
- 10) Chairman's Report
- 11) To receive reports on meetings attended
- 12) To receive reports from Working Groups
- 13) Parish Charter
- 14) Any other business (at Chairman's discretion)

Clerk to Dymchurch Parish Council.