

WEST KINGSDOWN PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Planning and General Purpose Committee Monday 19th August 2019
at Old School Hall, School Lane at 7.30pm**

Members of the Parish Council: Cllr J Watchorn (Chairman), Cllr I Bosley (Vice-chairman), Cllr Mrs P Bosley, Cllr Gray, Cllr D King, Cllr R Spiller, Cllr G Christie, Cllr Mrs M Richards, and Cllr L Spencer .

Planning Minutes

Apologies for Absence: Cllr Holdstock , Cllr Land

Declarations of Interest: No declarations were declared

Plans:

SE/19/02155/FUL: 83 Hever Avenue: Proposed demolition of existing dwelling and construction of 4nr new build residential dwellings and associated parking/landscaping. **Objection**

SE/19/02093/FUL: Land North West of Magrose, Kingsingfield Road: Demolition of railings, shed, retention walls and Magrose side extension. Erection of a new single storey dwellings, vehicle. **Comments**

SE/19/02296/FUL: The Warren Poultry farm: Demolition of existing dwelling and associated buildings, erection of replacement dwelling and associated buildings.

Appeals to note.

APP/G2245/C/18/3203207/08: Ashenden 20 Ashen grove Road, Knatts Valley: Unauthorised operational development , being the erection of an unlawful building - to be heard at inquiry on Wednesday 30th October 2019 at 10am District Offices.

Diary for September

General Purpose meeting Monday 19th August 2019

Members of the Parish Council: Cllr Richards (Chairman in Cllr Holdstock absence), Cllr P Bolsey, Cllr Christie, Cllr Mr I Bosley, Cllr Gray, Cllr Miss J Holdstock Cllr King. Cllr R Spiller, Cllr D Land, Cllr Mrs M Richards, Cllr L Spencer and Cllr Watchorn. Cllr J Holdstock

Agenda

Apologies: Cllr Holdstock and Cllr Land

Declaration of Interests relating to items on the Agenda

Footpaths:

Kingsingfield Road:

Restricted by way 271A. Mr Barry reported that some properties in Kingsingfield Road had been encroached by residents extending their frontage, it was agreed at that Photos would be taken by Mr Barry and the Parish Council would then be able to contact KCC and ask for the matter to be looked into further as the responsible authority for footpaths. **AGENDA SEPTEMBER**

Correspondence:

1907 Urgent Care Public Consultation

Public consultation about proposed changes to urgent care services in Dartford, Gravesham and Swanley
We are inviting you to take part in our public consultation to help shape important changes we want to make to urgent care services in Dartford, Gravesham and Swanley.

By urgent care, we mean care to treat illnesses and injuries that are not life threatening but require an urgent clinical assessment or treatment on the same day.

We are proposing to create a new Urgent Treatment Centre (UTC) at either Gravesham Community Hospital or Darent Valley Hospital by autumn 2020.

Both proposed options will bring together the existing urgent care services provided by the Minor Injuries Unit at Gravesham Community Hospital and the White Horse Walk-in Centre at Fleet Health Campus under one roof.

The public consultation runs for 12 weeks from 12 August to 4 November 2019 and we have attached a copy of the full consultation document and press release for your information.

There are a number of ways you can have your say. You can fill in a survey, attend one of the public consultation events or invite NHS staff to come along and speak to your group or organisation. Further information can be found on our website at www.dartfordgraveshamswanleyccg.nhs.uk

PC would comment that they would prefer to see everything on one site the same site as urgent care, due to transport issues and ease of accessibility. **AGREED**

1908 Sevenoaks Branch meeting of KALC

An invitation had been received to attend the next branch meeting on Friday 30th August at 7pm at the Sevenoaks Town Offices, Bradbourne Vale Road **RECEIVED**

1909 Review of Polling stations and polling places

Sevenoaks District Council is legally required to determine the polling districts (the geographical areas that determine which polling station electors must vote at) and polling places (the venues where the Returning Officer will allocate polling stations at an election). We must keep these under review, and must by law complete a formal review this year.

As elected representatives of residents of part of the Sevenoaks District Council area, your parish/town councillors are invited to contribute to our review.

Attached is the consultation document; this is also available on our website.

The consultation period runs from 31 July 2019 to 1 October 2019. If you wish to comment on the draft proposals, you may either email elections@sevenoaks.gov.uk, or write to us at the address given in the consultation document.

Parish Council were happy with the polling stations and would therefore comment no change **AGREED**

1910 Local Plan

Update to include dates and process of EiP, areas of concern/interest from Inspector's draft matters, issues and questions for examination, whether West Kingsdown PC wished to participate in any sessions of the EiP (specifics to be confirmed, but including sessions on 25/9/19 and 6/11/19), submission of hearing position statements, Cllr Watchorn would read the document and make a recommendation of the statement of hearing. **RECEIVED**

Affordable Housing:

A copy had been received back from Sevenoaks District Council - report was circulated to Members prior to meeting

SDC comment that a number of sites were identified in the RHES Assessment are also identified in the District Council's Call for Sites, there were a number of sites that submitted that have not been included in the Local Plan.

While a number of sites were discounted from the Local Plan process due to constraints that could not be overcome, there were sites that were discounted as they did not accord with the Local Plan strategy (i.e. not providing social and community infrastructure benefits to justify Green Belt release in "exceptional circumstances").

You can view all sites that were not included in the Local Plan here and searching for sites in West Kingsdown: https://www.sevenoaks.gov.uk/downloads/file/1929/sup018_site_appraisals_-_sites_not_included_in_the_local_plan

It was proposed by Cllr P Bosley and seconded by Cllr Christie that a meeting with English Rural to discuss land and scheme following receiving the report. The Clerk was asked to arrange a meeting with Alison from English Rural.

ALL IN FAVOUR

Rec Ground Hedges:

A quote had been received from the contractor to trim back the overgrown hedges along the fence inside the allotments in Hever Avenue, this was from Kent Grasslands who manage the Grounds Contract at this location, It is for the daily rate of £400 to trim back and remove all waste, by two men, It is expected this job will last half a day. It was proposed by Cllr I Bosley and seconded by Cllr CG Christie that the Parish Council accepts the quote and the Clerk to inform the contractor.

ALL IN FAVOUR

Gamecock Hedges

A quote had been received from the contractor to trim back the overgrown hedges and low hanging branches around the edge of the Gamecock Meadow and remove waste along the fence inside the allotments in Hever Avenue, this is from

Kent Grasslands, the quote is for £700 + vat. It was proposed by Cllr I Bosley and seconded by Cllr Gray that the Council accepts this quote and the contractor is informed by the Clerk. ALL IN FAVOUR

Planters:

The planters have been agreed to be moved and the contractor has been asked to relocate them as soon as he can. RECEIVED

Finance:

A cheque list was produced for Members and it was proposed by Cllr Christie and seconded by Cllr I Bosley that cheques totalling £11,406.12 including utility Direct debits be paid. ALL IN FAVOUR

Trees Millfield Road**58 Millfield Road:**

Request from occupant of 58 to look at an ash tree near to his property. The tree warden had looked at the tree and comments as follows; Small branches from the tree close to touching the upstairs windows of the property and will need to be trimmed back before they become large enough to cause damage to the property. This will need to be carried out by the tree surgeon.

64 Millfield Road:

A request was received from a resident to remove the tree to the rear of her back garden on Parish Council land. The tree warden had looked at the tree and comments on the following. The Ash tree is a multi-stemmed ash tree covered by a TPO, with some slight damage near the base of one stem which does not face the occupant of 58, There are no visible signs of base rot which can often occur with multi-stemmed ash trees and it has a fairly sheltered spot it is unlikely to succumb to high winds at present. In the canopy there is however faint signs that ash die back disease, chalara Fraxibnia.

70 Millfield Road:

Members are asked to look at the tree at number 70 Millfield Road the branches are close to the house. Last year the Council looked at the tree and the tree surgeon suggested removing it due to its location, The District council refused the felling application and only lower branches were removed at a cost of £165.

Members agreed to ask SL Treecare to look at all three trees and advise the Council. AGREED

105 Millfield Road:

An insurance claim had been received for subsidence. The information has been passed to the Parish Insurance Company to handle (Zurich) However the recommendation in the report is to fell three trees. Members noted the claim and would await the insurance assessors report.

Welling football Club

The football club had hoped to have sent over some designs of signage inside and outside of the building. They have looked at the facilities and commented that the Pavilion is in excellent condition and they would hope to add to that with some branding to try and enhance the overall feel for the teams playing there. The designs had not been received but it was agreed as the new season would start soon that the Clerk would email the designs when received so that permission could be granted before the next committee meeting. ALL IN FAVOUR

Burial Ground extension:

Tree survey has been carried out and the - report circulated to Members prior to meeting. Members discussed the contents of the report and it was agreed to go with option one to keep the trees in the corners leaving maximum space in the centre of the burials. Parish Council agreed that a change of use planning application should be submitted to SDC. To carry out any works this would have to include a dormice survey and special licence from the forestry commission, there would have to be a plan to relocate the dormice boxes that are in that area and also a felling licence. Members would also have to go out to tender due to the size of the job required before any works could take place. This was formalised by a proposal from Cllr I Bosley and seconded by Cllr G Christie that works should commence at first stage of a planning application. ALL IN FAVOUR

School Lane Wood:

The tree warden reports there is quite a bit of dead wood on the roadside of School Lane woods. The Clerk was asked to contact SL Treecare and ask for the area to be surveyed. AGREED

Dates of Next meetings 2019

Planning and General purpose meeting Monday 9th September 7.30pm Old School hall School Lane

Planning and Parish Council Meeting Wednesday 25th September 7.30pm Old School hall School Lane

Meeting closed at 9.05pm