

WEST KINGSDOWN PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Planning Committee and General Purpose Committee to be held on
Wednesday 10th April 2019 at the Old School Hall at 7.30pm

PLANNING COMMITTEE

Members: Cllr Mrs Watchorn (Chairman), Cllr Codling,
Cllr Christie, Cllr Illingworth and Cllr Mrs Richards

Apologies Cllr P Bosley, Cllr I Bosley, Cllr Holdstock, Cllr Stoneham Cllr Land and Cllr Yarnold

Declarations of Interest: There were no declarations declared

Plans

SE19/00755/FUL The Copse London Road: Demolition of existing commercial and equestrian buildings and erection of 3 detached bungalows. Object and comment

SE/19/00804/FUL: Brookers Shaw: Forge Lane : Erection of stables. Object and comment

GENERAL PURPOSE COMMITTEE

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Correspondence

19/06 St Edmunds Summer Fair

The Parish Council have been asked by the church if they could hold their summer fair on the Gamecock Meadow on Saturday 15th June. Should members grant permission for this event to take place on their land. Members are also asked whether advertising signs/boards can be place on land belonging to Parish Council. The fair will be open from 12 – 4pm and setting up will start on Friday afternoon with the large marquees going up

and the Cubs/Scouts (with leaders/parents) sleeping in the marquees overnight. All items will be removed from the field on Saturday afternoon/evening.

Members made recommendations to the full Council to allow the summer fair to go ahead and to allow advertising boards on its land.

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Footpath

SD271

Three photographs of the signpost for Footpath SD-271, where it was at the corner of Kingsingfield Road leading towards Kaysland Park/Sidehilly Wood, before it was removed have been forwarded to KCC Footpaths Officer

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Water at Old School Hall:

Further works are needed as the Craft/ pottery room was not on the same water pipes

A quote had been received from Alan Clark to dig out down to new water supply, prepare inside the lobby room for the pipe and re instate afterwards and for Matt (plumber) to connect new pipework £462 (plus VAT for plumber) they will give separate bills.

Obviously we would like to get this work done asap. Members accepted that these works were essential and it was proposed through the Chair that the works should start.

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Parking London Road:

It had now been confirmed that the cycle lanes have the correct signage and that it is now possible for the parking attendants to ticket those cars that are parked in the cycle lane on the A20. Should Public have concerns they can now phone Sevenoaks District Council who manage the parking attendants across the District. The Clerk would ask that the parking officers from SDC attend the site and ticket those parked in the cycle lane, it was suggested the Clerk could ask SDC to see if notes could be left under windscreens advising they could be ticketed if they continued to park in the cycle lane.

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Bollards along London Road:

Latest correspondence from KCC re bollards

“As discussed on site I do not feel that putting bollards in the verge will solve the problem, it is likely, as you have stated, that the installation of bollards will just move the problem along the road.

The only way forward is for the parking enforcement officers to ticket the problem vehicles.

Kent County Council's policy is not to install bollards to prevent parking. Kent County Council might consider their installation as part of a safety scheme, but there are criteria which need to be met for this area to be considered for such a scheme, therefore, any bollards would have to be funded by the Parish Council or County Councillors Members Grant. “

Cllr Christie and Cllr Codling had visited the site and drawn up a proposal for bollards. Members would explore the cost of the bollards but this wasn't something that had been budgeted for. The clerk would ask a contractor from KCC to advise there was a cost of over £6,000 to put bollards there and the ongoing maintenance and replacement of them would also be the responsibility of the Parish Council.

8Hever road Shops:

The grids around the trees require lifting cleaning and a good tidy up. “Back 2 front” have quoted £100 for each tree/grid there are 8 trees with grids surrounding them. The quote includes lifting the grids, clearing of all rubbish and old matting to stop the weeds. Renewing the matting and filling the squares with pea shingle and putting back grids. At the last PC meeting Back 2 front said the cost may rise to £150 per tree and the Clerk was asked to obtain a second quote. The Price from Back2 front then dropped back to £100 per tree and the Clerk would chase the second quote and advise Members at the next meeting. **RECEIVED**

Parish Council Meeting Agenda Items

To consider matters Councillors wished to place on the Agenda of the next Parish Council meeting.

Hever Road and the bus not being able to stop alongside the kerb due to parked cars on the double yellow lines. Clerk to ask the traffic wardens to look at this area and ticket accordingly. **AGREED**

Dates of Meetings

Parish Council Wednesday 24th April at 7.30pm at the Old School, School Lane.

Elections Thursday 2nd May

First meeting of the new Council @ Annual Parish Council meeting Wednesday 15th May at 7.30pm

Meeting closed at 8.13pm