

**WEST KINGSDOWN PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held via Zoom due to Covid restrictions  
commencing at 7.30pm on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2021

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

**Planning**

**Apologies for Absence: Cllr Holdstock**

**Declarations of Interest:** Cllr Land for Hazeldene and Bluebird, Cllr Watchorn for 60 nad 48 Southfields

**Plans:**

**SE/21/00744/FUL 46 Hever Road:**

Proposal Sub division of the existing detached bungalow to form two separate dwellings to include replacing the existing lean to conservatory with a single storey rear masonry built extension, loft conversion to form bedrooms to the loft space including the formation of a box dormer to the rear and flush Velux windows to the front, formation of individual entrance doors, subdivision of the front driveway with extension to vehicular access for 46b, sub division of the rear garden, removal of fountain / pond and associated landscaping.

**Object and comments**

**SE/21/01091/DETAIL Tyro St Clere Hill Road**

Proposal Details pursuant to condition 3 (construction environmental management plan) subject to 19/03339/FUL **Comment**

**SE/21/01034/HOUSE Hazeldene Knatts Valley Road**

Proposal Loft conversion with demolition of various outbuildings and infill to the rear and replacement of conservatory incorporating a thermal envelope to existing exterior and facade rendering. **Object DL Abstained**

**SE/21/00888/HOUSE: 48 Southfields Road:**

Demolish rear garage and conservatory erection of two storey rear extension and first floor extension with dormer to front, cedar cladding and alterations to garage door and fenestrations. **Comment JW abstained**

**SE/21/01132/HOUSE: 2 The Oaks London Road :**

Demolish existing conservatory and construct a single storey rear orangery, **No objection**

**SE/21/01109/HOUSE: 35 Southfields Road:**

Formation of vehicular access **No objection JW abstained**

**SE/21/00136/HOUSE: Oakridge Knatts Valley road:**

Single storey rear extension and loft conversion with dormer. Dwelling to be reclad. **comment**

**SE/21/00533/HOUSE : Shiraz Eaden Tinkerpot Lane:**

The proposal consist of demolition of an existing double garage and part demolition of the newly built garages with rooms within roof space. This is to be an Annex and will be ancillary to the host house. **Objection**

**SE/21/01167/WTPO: 60 Southfields Road:**

Various Tree works **No Objection JW abstained**

**SE/21/01180/LDCPR: Windy Ridge Cherry Tree Grove**

Proposal Reconstruction of walls to include openings to convert Piggery building to an annexe. **Comment**

**SE/21/01184/LDCPR Blue Bird Knatts Valley Road**

Proposal Proposed play room, home office and garage. **Comment**

**SE/21/01204/NMA: Land North Of 156, Hever Avenue**

Proposal Non material amendment to 16/02931/FUL. **Comment**

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**Apologies for Absence: Cllr Holdstock**

**Declarations of Interest:** None declared

**Minutes of Previous Meetings:**

The MINUTES of the Planning Committee meeting held on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2021 were submitted. It was moved from the Chair that they be signed as a true record. **ALL IN FAVOUR**

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The MINUTES of the General Purpose Committee Meeting held on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2021 were submitted. It was moved from the Chair that they be signed as a true record. **ALL IN FAVOUR**

**Any Urgent Business**

The Chairman ruled that any business received since the despatch of the Agenda, by reason of special circumstances, be considered, in order to avoid any undue delay and have up to date information

**Diary Item: No diary items**

**Footpaths:**

**Viking Way/ Oaklands Close:**

The resurfacing of the footpath was completed on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> April

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**Correspondence: No correspondence had been received**

**Finance**

The Finance papers were circulated to Members prior to the meeting and it was noted that an income of £18,835.94 had been received. It was proposed by Cllr Spencer and seconded by Cllr Richards that payments totalling £11,698.12 be paid **ALL IN FAVOUR**

It was noted this was the first month of electronic payments where the Clerk would enter onto the system and online with Barclays Account. The payments would be agreed in the usual way at Council meeting and then the Chairmen would access online banking and authorise all payments following the Council meeting.

**End Of year Accounts**

These had been circulated to Members prior to the meeting it was proposed through the Chair that the Account for 2020/2021 be formally adopted the AGAR form accepted and sent to final auditor Little John

**ALL IN FAVOUR**

**West Kent Extra detached youth work report:**

Quarterly Report West Kingsdown Detached Period 1st January 2021 to 31st March 2021

If you would like to discuss anything from this report in further detail please e-mail, Lead Youth Worker Ben Reynolds at; ben.reynolds@wkha.org.uk

Background West Kent Housing Association is commissioned through Kent County Council to deliver detached youth work sessions over the entire Sevenoaks district on a rolling basis. Alongside this we are commissioned to work with young people to start Youth Forums in these areas, working together on potential community projects. During the previous quarter October 2020-December 2020, we engaged with 15 young people during 9 sessions.

The colder weather, darker nights, and increase in restrictions, led to a lull in engagements. Those young people we did engage with were just walking to and from locations, so we only managed to introduce ourselves, and pass on some information leaflets.

We are hoping with the warmer and brighter weather we will see an increase in engagements.

Below is our summary for this quarter, January 2021-March 2021.

**Quarter Summary**

During this quarter we delivered 12 sessions and have engaged with 51 young people. During the first section of the quarter we prioritised our engagements on assessing the young people's well-being, through conversation and observation. We prioritised this because of the increase in isolation that was brought on by the restrictions. Many of the young people we met, were just out on their daily exercise, getting out the house. Very occasionally see groups of 2 or more.

With the announcement of the road map and the return to schools, we saw a steep increase in the number of young people out and about. Most young people are excited to return to school and see their friends. Whereas some are increasingly worried about the affect not being at school has had on their education and their future academic achievements. We've encouraged those who are worried to try their best and let them know there are always other paths they can go down. Following on from observations we made, we are focusing on drug and alcohol awareness as well as making responsible decisions. This is because we have seen an increase in paraphernalia related to the consumption of Nitrous Oxide. It appears to be individuals or groups in cars throwing their rubbish out the windows or leaving them on the floor. Hopefully in future sessions we will be able to talk with those young people. Present engagements with young people are just making them aware of littering and gauging their attitudes towards drugs.

**Summary**

Engagements have increased alongside the weather and reduced restrictions. We are hopeful that we will be able to engage with greater numbers as time goes on, working on more community focused projects and topics. We are also hopeful that with future sessions we will be able to do more targeted interventions as we begin to build trust between us and the young people.

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**Meetings**

The ACM needs to be held in May (unless a dispensation is granted). This is when we elect the Chair and Vice Chair and formally review our Standing Orders, financial regulations, risk assessment, asset register, committees and other policies. The Villahe Hall would be booked. The legal challenge to hold virtual meetings was unsuccessful and all meetings are now required to be held face to face. It was agreed to not hold a General Purpose in May but to have our first face to face adhering to Covid regulations on the 26<sup>th</sup> May in the Village Hall with delegated powers given to the Clerk who will liaise with Council on any urgent matters that required actions before any meeting council take place.

**AGREED**

**Sevenoaks District Summer Fun day**

These are being planned to take place but will not be formally confirmed till after 21<sup>st</sup> June. The Clerk has booked for the fun day to take place on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> August 10-2pm at the Gamecock Meadow. This is a free session with no cost to the Parish Council and parents or carers are required to stay on site with your children.

**NOTED**

**KCC Highways improvement Plan:**

The Clerk has a meeting with the Highways officer to discuss the Highways improvement plan. Councillors are asked to consider any matters they wish placed on the plan for discussion. The Clerk has agreed with KCC and Cllr Brazier that a traffic survey will take place along the London Road and locations sites are to be agreed. The Clerk has also asked for traffic count/ speed to be assessed along Fawkham Road particularly outside the parade of shops and the Primary school.

Members asked for pot holes. School Lane Junction to be included at the meeting.

**AGREED****Village Hall update during Covid and the path out of lockdown :**

Flood defences had been installed at the hall and the hall was opening up after 17<sup>th</sup> May in accordance with Government road map.

**Church Woods Update during Covid and the path out of lockdown :**

Work parties had started and a meeting had taken place with a contractor to discuss thinning work

**Old school update during Covid and the path out of lockdown :**

Pre school and Ballet were using the site currently. The Last of the timber frames at the Old School were being replaced.

**Newsletter items.** No items identified

**Matters arising:** No matters arising

**Dates of Next May**

**Annual Parish Council meeting Meeting Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> May in the Village Hall at 7.30pm**

**Meeting closed at 9.25pm**