

EAST HOATHLY with HALLAND PARISH COUNCIL

COUNCIL meeting held via. 'zoom' on **30th March, 2020 at 7.00pm.**

'MEETING' MINUTES

Linked: Cllrs. Deane, Pope, Ritchie, Robins, Vaughan, Malcolm Ramsden (clerk) and Verne Heath (rfo).

1. ADMINISTRATION

1.1 To approve powers of delegation

Discussion centred around what process might be followed for decision making and how members of the public might be engaged and considered facebook and downloading for future meetings. Proposal determined that when a 'legal' meeting can be held that the following notes be put forward for ratification. Powers of delegation:-

'To approve the holding of meetings by any method deemed appropriate by the chairman and vice-chairman and to extend the delegation of Council decisions to the clerk (*subject to agreement by chairman or vice-chairman*) during any period of restricted activity declared by the Government in respect of the Covid-19 virus. Such delegation to enable the Council to fulfil its responsibilities to the residents'.

2. REPORTS FROM COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

None received to date. Apologies from Dist. Cllr. Geoffrey Draper

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members are invited to make any declaration of personal or prejudicial interests that they may have in relation to items on the agenda and are reminded to make any declarations at any stage during the meeting if it then becomes apparent that this may be required when a particular item or issue is to be considered

Cllr. Pope declared his continuing interest in matters relating to his association with Church Marks Green Management Co. Ltd.

4. APOLOGIES – to receive apologies for absence

Apologies from Cllr. Cole as has no access to zoom

5. FINANCE

5.1 To approve/note payments payable/paid February, 2020

Approved

5.2 To consider grant application from Uckfield Community Radio

Rejected as not been broadcasting in the area for enough time to establish benefit to residents.

5.3 To consider inclusion of cyber insurance

Carried forward

5.4 To discuss Calor Gas grant application proposal

Cllr. Pope offered, if time permitted before the 9th of April deadline, to put together (on behalf of the garden plotters) a grant application for funding the garden plot toilet.

6. MINUTES

6.1 To resolve that the minutes of the Council Meeting held on Monday 24th February, 2020 be taken as read, confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman

Approved

- 6.2 Matters outstanding from minutes (not listed as separate agenda items)
 - 6.2.1 Vehicle speed reduction
On hold. Awaiting outcome of ESCC feasibility assessment.
 - 6.2.2 To approve actions and costs re. Halland woodland play area
No update.

7. ITEMS DEFERRED FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

- 7.1 Woodland Management Plan
Clerk waiting for quotes from Land Management Services, RW Green Ltd., and High Weald AONB Unit.

8. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

- 8.1 Neighbourhood Plan progress update
 - 8.1.1 To note progress report
Carried forward
 - 8.1.2 Steering Group meeting minutes
Previously circulated minutes noted.
 - 8.1.3 To note 26th February Parish Panel meeting report
Previously circulated report noted.

9. PLANNING

- 9.1 Decisions made by Wealden District Council
Approved:
Application No. WD/2019/2408/F
ERECTION OF BUNGALOW TOGETHER WITH GARAGE
PLOT 2, STAVERTON NURSERY, EASTBOURNE ROAD, HALLAND BN8 6PU

Refused:
None
Noted
- 9.2 Recent applications outside delegated powers
None
Noted

10. WAR MEMORIAL SPORTS GROUND TRUST (COUNCIL AS TRUSTEE)

- 10.1 Recreation ground: Play equipment (including for adults), fencing and safety surface
 - 10.1.1 Zip wire and other play equipment (including for adults) (on hold pending landraise project)
Clerk to contact Wicksteed to discuss ways in which cost might be reduced.
 - 10.1.2 Play area safety inspection update
Replacement basket swing held up as Playdale reliant on manufacturers who are experiencing reduced staffing levels due to covid-19. Toddler seat bolt covers promised by post.
- 10.2 Recreation ground: Drainage and Landraise
 - 10.2.1 To agree costs and contractor for the playing field design/mapping
No update regarding design/mapping. Working Group to meet when Richard Earl follows up on site visit with a report. JR offered to chase.
- 10.3 To discuss and agree pavilion management, bookings, exclusivity and other relevant items

Pavilion closed until further notice. Keyholder details obtained in case of commandeering.

- 10.4 To discuss and approve cost of bramble clearance at playing fields
Barcombe's quote at £470 +vat accepted. Still too wet to complete and bird nesting season starts February and ends August. Clerk to instruct appropriately.
- 10.5 To discuss and agree way forward relating to rifle club proposal
Proposal to approve a 25 year lease so that they may more easily raise grant funding to replace/repair leaking roof agreed. Clerk to advise appropriately.

11. WRITTEN REPORTS FOR DISCUSSION OR NOTING

- 11.1 Correspondence
To follow if requested.
- 11.2 To appoint a member to the Garden Plots Committee
Second member required. The committee chair does need to be one of the Parish Council members (the TOR only covers that election of the vice-chair and secretary be made by the GP committee). Carried forward.
- 11.3 To discuss survey of the woodland boundaries
Clerk to obtain new neighbours confirmation regarding boundary.
- 11.4 To discuss Annual Assembly meeting content/programme
Members to suggest content.
- 11.5 To consider actions regarding damage in Parish Woodland
Cycle tyre tracks not worsened and would seem to be 'self-healing'. Clerk to respond to Roger Ward.
- 11.6 To note actions and involvement with 'Village Hubs'
Noted.
- 11.7 To note progress regarding 'Muffins' planter
Not economically repairable. Mr. Tarry researching replacement possibilities.
- 11.8 To note progress regarding drainage ditch between Nightingales and Parish Woodland
Quotes provided. Clerk to clarify with neighbours their proposals for their clearance plans.
- 11.9 To note progress relating to re-surfacing of London Road pavement and associated road layout changes
On hold. Awaiting outcome of ESCC feasibility assessment.
- 11.10 To note Village Hall brief
QD to ask Malcolm Soame if/when Lesley is finishing with taking bookings and asking if council can assist.
- 11.11 To note progress regarding High Street trees
Quote has been chased. QD to provide photographs showing state of pavement after the last trees died and were removed.
- 11.12 To note progress regarding Emergency Plan
DV to discuss with CM.
- 11.13 To note 10th March minutes of PWWG
Noted.
- 11.14 To note ESCC grass cutting programme
Noted.

12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

- 12.1 To note that the next meeting of the Full Council will be advised when clarification of the Coronavirus restrictions are known.
Next meeting in calendar, for 27th April, is the Annual Assembly. Earlier meeting required (subject to outcome of s.78 of covid-19 bill) to

*ratify above together with approval up to £120 for rfo
replacement printer.*

Close 8:30 pm