

EAST HOATHLY with HALLAND PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting of the Full Council held via. 'Zoom' on 29th March, 2021 at 7.00pm.

MEETING MINUTES

Linked: Cllrs. Bradley, Cole, Magness, Partridge, Pope (chair) and Vaughan.

Also participating: Dist. Cllr. Geoffrey Draper, Malcolm Ramsden (clerk), Verne Heath (rfo) and five members of the public

1. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Members of the public are welcome and encouraged to attend. The first fifteen minutes of the meeting will be available for the public to express a view or ask a question on relevant matters on the agenda. The public and members of the press are also welcome to stay and observe the rest of the meeting

Would members of the public wishing to participate 'virtually' please contact the clerk at least 24 hours before the meeting – 07948 496760 or easthoathlywithhallandpc@gmail.com

Members learnt that the Garden Plot committee would be proceeding with an application to WDC for the garden plots to be classified as an 'asset of community value'.

The recent clearing and widening of the Waldron Road pavement prompted questions regarding a section of the London Road pavement. Chair reminded the meeting that a feasibility study had been carried out but that none of the options presented could be cost justified. Clerk to query why one area of pavement can be worked on with costs absorbed by County and another not.

Representatives of the group wishing to start a Community Benefit Society to take on the running of the Kings Head under an asset lock scheme alerted Council that application had been made to the Plunkett Foundation, a charity specializing in advising community groups.

In response to a question relating to the possibility of building a skate park at the War Memorial Sports Ground the chair reminded members that a group, including users, clubs and societies, had been set up to report back on a long term plan for improvements and would be discussed later in the meeting (agenda item 8.1).

2. REPORTS FROM COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

Members were referred to County Cllr. Bennett's previously circulated report and Dist. Cllr. Draper informed the meeting that he had been involved with the Community Benefit Society meeting and supported the idea of community involvement with the Kings Head project.

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

None.

5. FINANCE

5.1 To approve/note payments payable/paid February, 2021

Following a proposal by Cllr. Vaughan and seconding by Cllr. Magness

0336 RESOLVED to approve/note payments payable/paid during February, 2021 totalling £6,974.45 (see appendix A).

5.2 To note income/expenditure-vs-budget

Members noted an under-spend.

Following a proposal by Cllr. Magness and seconding by Cllr. Vaughan

0337 RESOLVED to transfer £5,000 of the under-spend to the Pavilion Building Reserve.

9.3 Member co-option

Clerk reported that following the statutory period after the resignation of Carolyn Robins there had not been a requirement to call an election and that co-option could be considered. Members were referred to the previously circulated correspondence from Tania Freezer.

Following a proposal by Cllr. Pope and seconding by Cllr. Cole

0338 Unanimously **RESOLVED** to co-opt Tania Freezer as a member of Council.

5.3 To consider request for funding from the 'Kings Head' group

Cllr. Magness expressed his disappointment at how little comment there had been regarding the previously circulated proposal to provide funds to assist with the start up of a Kings Head group.

Chair suspended the meeting to hear from the floor that a formal group would be established and that £240 was the cost of securing the consultancy services of the Plunkett Foundation and that details of members and who to make any initial payment to would be provided.

Chair re-convened the meeting.

Following a proposal by Cllr. Pope and seconding by Cllr. Vaughan

0339 **RESOLVED** to award £240 from the Grant Fund to enable the Plunkett Foundation to be engaged.

5.4 To approve payment of Village Hall buildings insurance premium

Clerk explained the background to Council's involvement with the Village Hall.

Following a proposal by Cllr. Pope and seconding by Cllr. Vaughan

0340 **RESOLVED** to meet the £468.26 pro-rated cost of buildings insurance premium with clerk to seek Village Hall Committee views regarding re-imburement.

5.5 To approve payment of £120 for bus shelter repair from CIL monies

Following a proposal by Cllr. Cole and seconding by Cllr. Vaughan

0341 **RESOLVED** to approve payment of £120 for the bus shelter repair from CIL funds.

5.6 Garden Plots

5.6.1 To approve increase in Garden Plot rents to £50 p.a. for 2022/23 year

Members noted that the proposed increase was to cover Council meeting the costs of any future rat treatments. Cllr. Magness expressed the view that he thought the Garden Plots should be self-funding, paying for the rat treatments themselves, and Cllr. Cole expressed doubts that the increase would be enough to cover the costs.

Following a proposal by Cllr. Vaughan and seconding by Cllr. Pope

0342 **RESOLVED** to approve increase in Garden Plot rents to £50 p.a. for 2022/23 year.

5.6.2 To note payment of £248.13 for insurance

Noted.

5.7 Bank account signatories

Cllr. Bradley agreed to be added to the list of bank signatories. RFO to arrange.

6. MINUTES

6.1 To resolve that the minutes of the Council Meeting held on Monday 22nd February, 2021 be taken as read, confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman

Following a proposal by Cllr. Bradley and seconding by Cllr. Magness

0343 **RESOLVED**, subject to one Councillor de-personalization, to approve that the minutes of the Council Meeting held on Monday, 22nd February, 2021 be taken as read, confirmed as a correct record and to be duly signed by the Chairman when possible.

6.2 Matters arising from minutes not otherwise covered by agenda items

6.2.1 Waldron Road footpath

Members noted that the pavement had been widened (see also Public Participation above).

7. PLANNING

7.1 To agree next actions regarding Neighbourhood Plan

Cllr. Magness reported that version 9 of the Plan had been submitted to District Council and that a meeting with them to take the possibility of a referendum within the next few months had been arranged although it was noted that any plan would have to be reviewed once a new District Council Local Plan was agreed. Local businesses still needed to be contacted for information and members agreed that

communication with residents would be essential. Next steps would be discussed at the April meeting of Full Council when District Council feedback would be available.

- 7.2 To note District Council decisions to date
Noted.

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

- 8.1 To discuss progress regarding drainage/landraise, including enhancements to playing field equipment and installations
Members learnt that the Playing Field Group had met and that Penfold Verrall were still anxious to be involved with any project. Councillors agreed to meet on 6th April to agree next steps to be put before the April meeting of the Full Council.
- 8.2 To agree access arrangements/timings/bookings at pavilion
Discussion covered the need to appoint a groundsman as being a separate issue to the access and booking arrangements which would be carried forward to the next meeting. Clerk reported that Southern Water had examined the hole that had recently appeared in the playing field and that it was nothing to do with their pipe work. Investigation was ongoing.

9. WRITTEN REPORTS FOR DISCUSSION OR NOTING

- 9.1 Correspondence
Noted.
- 9.2 To consider notice board/s at Parish Woodland
Members agreed that some types of notice boards/lecturns at the entrances to the Parish Woodland would be a good idea. Cllr. Bradley to investigate possible solutions and costs.
- 9.3 Member co-option
See above.
- 9.4 To consider options for reducing traffic speeds at Halland
Following a proposal by Cllr. Magness and seconding by Cllr. Pope
- 0344 RESOLVED** *to proceed with moving the 'Halland' sign a few hundred yards to the west of the junction with Knowle Lane/B2199 and supplement with the addition of village gateways to both sides of the road at a cost of up to £2,800 utilizing CIL monies.*
- 9.5 To consider request for custodianship of mile marker mould
Cllr. Pope declared his interest with family association to Bridge Cottage. Following a proposal by Cllr. Vaughan and seconding by Cllr. Magness
- 0345 RESOLVED** *to agree to lend the mile marker mould to Bridge Cottage in Uckfield and allow any other Council to use it in order to put their own mile markers together on the understanding that Council have preferential access and appropriate acknowledgment.*
- 9.6 To consider viability of Annual Parish Meeting (Village Meeting)
Agreement reached to finalize details of AGM and APM by email.
- 9.7 To note minutes of Garden Plot committee AGM
Noted.
- 9.8 To note newsletter progress
Carried forward.
- 9.9 To note clerk's progress report
Noted.

10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

- To note that the next meeting of the Full Council will be held on Monday 26th April, 2021 at 7 pm
Noted.

Meeting closed at 8.50 pm.

Appendix A

Date	Amount	Payee Name or Description
28/02/2021	£561.61	HMRC
28/02/2021	£36.00	CPRE
28/02/2021	£85.67	Susan Cole Mrs
28/02/2021	£390.00	Core Surveys Ltd
28/02/2021	£280.00	J K Tague - E H Landscaping
28/02/2021	£79.99	Tony Pope
28/02/2021	£168.00	Pure Cleaning
28/02/2021	£100.00	Peter Crawford
28/02/2021	£108.00	SSALC Ltd
28/02/2021	£445.50	Costain Ltd - ESCC
28/02/2021	£3,120.00	Stavertons nursery
28/02/2021	£16.82	Castle Water
28/02/2021	£304.60	Derek Keeley
28/02/2021	£281.41	Verne Heath
28/02/2021	£921.28	Malcolm Ramsden
28/02/2021	£75.57	Pyrotec Fire Protection
	£6,974.45	

Appendix B

Correspondence: 16th February, 2021 to 23rd March, 2021

1. WDC: Agenda for Full Council, Wednesday, 24th February, 2021
2. PWWG: email re Application for PW Conservation Grant
3. WDC: Minutes for Audit, Finance and Governance Committee, Wednesday, 20th January, 2021
4. WDC: Agenda for Planning Committee South, Thursday, 25th February, 2021 (already forwarded to members)
5. CPRE: Rural bus services
6. SSALC: Borrowing Approval Applications
7. WDC: Supplement: General Fund Budget and Council Tax 2021-22, and Medium Term Financial Strategy 2022-23 to 2025-26 to the agenda for Full Council, Wednesday, 24th February, 2021
8. WDC: MyAlerts - Week Commencing 22nd February
9. John Deane: Email – Notes for PC meeting 22.02.21
10. WDC: Supplement: LAND AT 60 GREENLEAF GARDENS, POLEGATE, BN26 6PQ - Local Ward Member Statement, Cllr O Shing to the agenda for Planning Committee South, Thursday, 25th February, 2021
11. WDC: Supplement: Land West and South of Poplar Cottage – Statement from Local Ward Member , Cllr White to the agenda for Planning Committee South, Thursday, 25th February, 2021
12. WDC: Supplement: Presentation Slides for Applications listed on the Agenda to the agenda for Planning Committee South, Thursday, 25th February, 2021
13. WDC: Supplement: Confidential Presentation Slides for Confidential Items listed on the Agenda to the agenda for Planning Committee South, Thursday, 25th February, 2021
14. NALC CORONAVIRUS UPDATE (23Feb)
15. WDC: Recycling electric items
16. Email: Quinta Deane to Tony Pope – ‘Yesterday’
17. Email trail: John Deane to Tony Pope – ‘Fw: Nature Reserve?’
18. Email trail: PWWG - Woodland Grant application
19. WDC: Supplement: Officer Updates to the agenda for Planning Committee South, Thursday, 25th February, 2021 (already forwarded to members)
20. WDC: Agenda for Planning Committee North, Thursday, 4th March, 2021
21. ESCC: Tree Wardens - Orchards for Schools packs Update and would your local school like to be involved in the Young Tree Champions project?
22. WDALC: Fwd: Census 2021 (already forwarded to all members)
23. SSALC: Armed Forces Community- Opportunity to work for the NHS
24. WDC Community Hub update 26/02/21
25. WDC: MyAlerts - Week Commencing 1st March
26. NEWS FROM CPRE Sussex: join our Festival of Spring Countryside Talks
27. Healthwatch East Sussex March Newsletter
28. WDC: Supplement: Members' Questions - Written Response to the agenda for Full Council, Wednesday, 24th February, 2021
29. WDC: Litter on the roads in the District (already forwarded to members)
30. WDC: Meeting cancelled - 19/03/2021, 10:00, Licensing Committee
31. NALC CORONAVIRUS UPDATE (02Mch2021)
32. WDC: Supplement: Submissions from Interested Parties for Items listed on the Agenda to the agenda for Planning Committee North, Thursday, 4th March, 2021
33. WDC: Supplement: GLEN COTTAGE, HOLDERS LANE, MAYFIELD, TN20 6BE - Local Ward Member Statement, Cllr Redman to the agenda for Planning Committee North, Thursday, 4th March, 2021
34. WDC: Supplement: Presentation Slides for Applications listed on the Agenda to the agenda for Planning Committee North, Thursday, 4th March, 2021
35. WDC: Newly published decision: Additional Restrictions Grant (ARG)–Discretionary (Hackney Carriages & Private Hire)
36. WDC: Newly published decision: Additional Restrictions Grant (ARG)–Discretionary (Kennels, Catteries and Groomers)
37. WDC: Change of date for meeting 12/03/2021, 14:00, Licensing Sub-Committee
38. WDC: Covid Vaccination stakeholder briefing (03Mch2021)
39. WDC: Supplement: Officer Updates to the agenda for Planning Committee North, Thursday, 4th March, 2021
40. WDC: Agenda for Local Plan Sub-Committee, Thursday, 11th March, 2021

41. Job Opportunity ESALC Ltd
42. WDC: MyAlerts - Week Commencing 8th March
43. WDC: Newly published decision: Additional Restrictions Grant (ARG) – Discretionary, Phase Three
44. Village Concerns: Email re. Planning Application WD/2020/2660/PO (already sent to all members)
45. Southeastern quarterly stakeholder newsletter
46. WDC: Meeting cancelled - 15/04/2021, 14:00, Licensing Sub-Committee
47. WDC: East Sussex Vaccination update (09Mch)
48. WDC: Agenda for Cabinet, Wednesday, 17th March, 2021
49. WDC: Minutes for Planning Committee South, Thursday, 25th February, 2021
50. SSALC: Road Network Activity Update
51. WDC: Census Support Centres (already forwarded to all members)
52. Resident's email: Fwd: Prize draw for Heating Oil- East Hoathly Parish Church (already forwarded to members)
53. CPRE: Green Belt under pressure and coal mine blocked
54. WDC: Minutes for Local Plan Sub-Committee, Thursday, 11th March, 2021
55. WDC: Agenda for Overview and Scrutiny Committee, Monday, 22nd March, 2021
56. WDC: Newly published decision: Statement of Common Ground Between Tunbridge Wells Borough Council and Wealden District Council
57. ESCC: Grass Cutting programme 2021/22
58. ESCC: Highways Fortnightly Lookahead WC 15th of March
59. WDC: MyAlerts - Week Commencing 15th March
60. WDC: Supplement: Local Plan Sub Committee Minutes dated 11 March 2021 to the agenda for Overview and Scrutiny Committee, Monday, 22nd March, 2021
61. WDC: WDC Community Hub update 15/03/21
62. WDC: Agenda for Audit, Finance and Governance Committee, Wednesday, 24th March, 2021
63. WDC: East Sussex Vaccination Stakeholder briefing (17Mch)
64. WDC: Agenda for Planning Committee South, Thursday, 25th March, 2021
65. WDC: Decision sheet for Cabinet, Wednesday, 17th March, 2021
66. WDC: Minutes for Full Council, Wednesday, 24th February, 2021
67. ESALC: Support arrangements from 1st April 2021
68. ESCC: WWeed Spraying Programme 2021
69. ESCC: FW: Coronavirus -the Tree Council's response to the latest advice on the 'roadmap out of lockdown' measures
70. WDC: Supplement: Hailsham Aspires (to follow) to the agenda for Audit, Finance and Governance Committee, Wednesday, 24th March, 2021
71. WDC: Supplement: Appendix A - Confidential Crematorium Update to the agenda for Audit, Finance and Governance Committee, Wednesday, 24th March, 2021
72. Jonathan Walker: Copy email to NPSG re. draft of Neighbourhood Plan for dissemination to Council
73. WDC: Supplement: Appndix A - External Audit Plan year ending 31 March 2021 to the agenda for Audit, Finance and Governance Committee, Wednesday, 24th March, 2021
74. WDC: Minutes for Planning Committee North, Thursday, 4th March, 2021
75. ESCC Highways: Fortnightly Lookahead WC 22nd of March (already forwarded to members)
76. WDC: MyAlerts - Week Commencing 22nd March
77. WDC: Supplement: Hailsham Aspires (to follow) to the agenda for Audit, Finance and Governance Committee, Wednesday, 24th March, 2021
78. Census 2021
79. Gatwick In Touch Newsletter Edition 2
80. Wealden District Council - Direction of Travel Consultation (update)
81. Principal, OS Data Hub Public Sector Plan is available for all PSGA members
82. WDC: Sussex Health & Care Partnership