

SHADOXHURST PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES 445

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AS A VIDEO-LINKED MEETING DUE TO ALTERNATIVE LOCKDOWN MEASURES
DUE TO THE CORONA VIRUS ON
WEDNESDAY 13TH MAY 2020 COMMENCING AT 6.00 PM**

PRESENT: Mr D Ledger (Chair), Mr M Richmond Coggan, Mr P Emanuel
Mr R Crowley, Mr S Cass & Mr J Hayward, Mr R Hills (Co-Opted)

PARISH CLERK: Ms C Laming

BOROUGH COUNCILLORS: Mr D Ledger

COUNTY COUNCILLOR: Mr Mike Angell

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC: There were four Members of the Public in attendance and our Webmaster Mr Clive Stanley

1. INTRODUCTION

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies of absence

3. APPROVAL OF REASONS FOR APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE

4. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY AND SIGNIFICANT INTEREST

Declarations of Pecuniary Interest

There were no Declarations of Pecuniary Interest.

Declarations of Significant Interest.

There were no Declarations of Significant Interest.

5. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Minutes 443 of the meeting held on Wednesday 11th March 2020 were accepted and it was unanimously agreed that Mr D Ledger should sign them.

Proposed Mr M Richmond Coggan

Seconded Mr S Cass

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

There were no Matters Arising not covered on the Agenda.

6. CO-OPTION TO FILL THE VACANT POSITION

Mr Roger Hills was co-opted to become a Parish Councillor.

Proposed Mr M Richmond Coggan

Seconded Mr P Emanuel

7. PUBLIC INTERVAL

The Public Interval opened at 6.20pm and finished at 6.27pm. During this time the applicants of Land South East of Criol Barn, Bethersden Road discussed their planning application and offered help with any concerns or discrepancies. Another member of the public spoke as he was objecting the application.

8. PLANNING**Discussion and Decision on action to be taken on any other matters related to Planning issues within the Parish**

Please see attached list for decisions on current applications.

Hornash House – Nothing to Report

GreenVolt –Nothing to Report

Chilmington Green – Nothing to Report

Brinklow Terrace – Mr Ledger has chased again but again no movement. The Applicant had originally asked for more time with regards to the drainage but the planning officer has not heard anything back from them.

Farley Close – Planning Officer needs to reconsult with neighbours and ourselves over some amendments. It could take a few months until it gets taken to the planning committee.

Lodges (Hornash Lane) – Nothing to Report

9. CORRESPONDENCE, FINANCE AND OTHER COUNCIL BUSINESS**EMAIL CORRESPONDENCE BROUGHT TO THE ATTENTION OF THE MEETING****All emails are forwarded to all Councillors**

A consultation request has been made for fibre and broadband from ABC, they are making a supplementary planning document guidance on it, comments are need by 1st May 2020. Mr M Richmond Coggan will draft a response.

Account Balance & Payment of Accounts

See attached sheet for April 2020 accounts.

The following accounts were signed off for payment:

Clerk's Salary - £444.00

Caretaker's Salary - £96.00

Proposed Mr M Richmond Coggan

Seconded Mr J Hayward

Internet Banking

Mr Crowley to call Lloyds Bank for an update on internet banking access.

Lorry Watch/Speed Watch

Nothing to Report.

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Restart Date May 2020.

Conservation Area Review Group Report

Nothing to Report due to the current Covid19 pandemic.

Utilities Advisory Group

Nothing to Report

Village Forum

The Strategic Leadership for the Village Hall needs to taken over by a volunteer to this move forward.

The kitchen improvements and maintenance are still being discussed and are ongoing.

The Forum are still looking for a new Chairperson. Next meeting TBC.

Information update of the Charitable Land Trust in Shadoxhurst

The meeting heard that there is a refusal from the Charity Commission to grant a charitable status.

Decision to made for the next step.

10. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Well the virus has shut down most things and apart from instigating and co-ordinating the Shadoxhurst Volunteer Network, not a great deal else has needed attention. There have been emails and the important ones have been circulated.

11. SHADOXHURST WEBSITE

Clive Stanley, who runs our Parish website, spoke briefly about his current situation and requested an update. Mr M Richmond Coggan has been researching the transfer of our website and putting it on a new platform to make it compliant. There are 2 options which we are currently looking at. Mr M Richmond Coggan, Mr Crowley and the Parish Clerk to make a decision on the shortlisted companies. A Zoom Meeting

to be scheduled to discuss further. We will provide a formal recommendation before the next Parish meeting. Clive Stanley will continue to stay on board until resolved.

12. VILLAGE HALL, PAVILION, RECREATION FIELD, VILLAGE GREEN AND SIGN

Report from VH & P Working Group

Broadband will be installed on the 24th June 2020.

New quotes needed for the update and maintenance of the kitchen area in the Village Hall

13. BOROUGH COUNCILLORS REPORT

The Borough Council effectively shut down working at the civic centre and supported the majority of staff being able to work from home. Essential work has carried on through all Officers being allowed to home work, some officers have been re-deployed to help with more essential work including the ABC Volunteer co-ordination. As you are aware, refuse collections have continued. All meetings for Officers were arranged through 'Microsoft Teams'. This has now been widened for Members and so far, two Planning Committee meetings have been held, with a third due next week to try and reduce the backlog. I was asked to be a substitute at both these, stepping in for one of the AI members on the committee who is currently out of action. Other Councils have devolved additional decision making to officers to reduce backlogs and avoid meetings. I am pleased that ABC have remained faithful to the democratic way and restarted committees, albeit through video conferencing. Other committee meetings are soon to follow.

14. COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Mr Mike Angell has reported the opening of the recycling centres around Kent and how to access the new booking system. To date there has been 8 million pound grant funding available around the county, 1800 hours of advice given, 4589 enquiries answered, 34 Covid19 related scams and 2000 permits issued by highways every week. There has also been a major drug and crime group broken up and the individuals have ended up in court. Social Services have also started to get more involved in with the police and communication with parents too has been very successful.

15. KENT HIGHWAYS/PROW

Completion of Highway Improvement Plan

It has been requested that the white lines on Hornash Lane are to be completed, as they only painted them on the new tarmac. A few footways have been repaired although the footway on Woodchurch Road has yet to be as it is a longer length.

Items to be reported to KHS/PROW

Defer to next meeting

Painting of Yellow Lines in Woodchurch Road Bus Stop Lay By/ Parking outside Rectory Bungalows

Matter deferred until the post virus period

The Street

Mr P Emanuel has now written to the Cabinet Members of KCC.

16. FORUM FOR EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION BETWEEN COUNCILLORS

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.09pm

Signed
Chairman

Dated

SHADOXHURST PARISH COUNCIL
RECORD OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS

2020

APRIL/MAY 2020

20/00354/AS

Woodside Farm, Hornash Lane, Shadoxhurst, Kent

Retrospective Installation of General Purpose Farm Building (machinery/hay)

No Comment

20/00495/AS

Land west of Glebe Farm, Duck Lane, Shadoxhurst

Application for prior notification for a typical steel structure for the storage of hay and agricultural machinery and for welfare of sheep during lambing season.

No Comment

20/00494/AS

Land south east of Criol Barn, Bethersden Road, Shadoxhurst, Kent

Outline application to for the erection of 12 dwellings considering access only with all other matters reserved.

Object

After discussing at length, it was unanimously agreed that as a Parish we would strongly object to this application. Some of the reasons that were discussed included the narrow access point, the number of houses in such a tight space of land, drainage, lack of services, too many new builds already in the village with a few still not sold.