

SHADOXHURST PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES 446

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 10th JUNE 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

PARISH CLERK: Ms C Laming

BOROUGH COUNCILLORS: Mr D Ledger

COUNTY COUNCILLOR: Mr Mike Angell

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC: There were no Members of the Public in attendance.

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 J Hayward

Seconded Mr R Crowley

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

There were no Matters Arising not covered on the Agenda.

6. **PUBLIC INTERVAL**

There were no members of the public present.

7. **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. There were no new planning applications.

Hornash House – Nothing to Report

GreenVolt –Nothing to Report

Chilmington Green – Nothing to Report

Brinklow Terrace – Mr Ledger has chased again but again still no update. Post meeting note: we have been informed that it will be put back for six months.

Farley Close – Ticking along with a few minor issues

Lodges (Hornash Lane) – Nothing to Report

8. CORRESPONDENCE, FINANCE AND OTHER COUNCIL BUSINESS

EMAIL CORRESPONDENCE BROUGHT TO THE ATTENTION OF THE MEETING

All emails are forwarded to all Councillors

CORRESPONDENCE, FINANCE AND OTHER COUNCIL BUSINESS

a. Correspondence/Email Correspondence

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b. Account Balance

See attached sheet for May 2020 accounts.

c. Payment of Accounts

The following accounts were signed off for payment:

Clerk's Salary £444.00

Caretaker's Salary £96.00

CPRE Membership £34.00

Proposed Mr J Hayward **Seconded** Mr S Cass

d. Internet Banking Update

Nothing to Report

e. Transparency

Nothing to Report

f. Volunteer Network

See Chairman's Report

g. Lorry Watch/Speed Watch (currently deferred)

Waiting for the approval from the police to recommence Speedwatch at one site along Tally Ho Road.

h. Conservation Area Review Group

Nothing to Report due to the current Covid19 pandemic. Mr R Crowley to arrange a meeting.

i. Utilities Advisory Group

Nothing to Report

j. Village Forum

Nothing to Report

k. Shadoxhurst Charity Trust

The meeting heard that there is a refusal from the Charity Commission to grant a charitable status. There was a discussion to draft another document together, perhaps with a new layout and/or a new solicitor

9. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Apart from the Volunteer Network, which now ticks along after a lack of volunteers to take over some dog walking duties, now resolved, I have mainly concentrated on planning issues. Currently Brinklow Bungalow is uppermost in our minds, but the other two need to be kept in view. Also, I have done a lot of work with preparing documents for the Trust.

10. SHADOXHURST WEBSITE

The sub-group has been working hard to come up with a recommendation for the creation of a new website for the Parish Council.

The website must change by 22nd September to remain compliant with current public sector regulations. At the same time, our webmaster, Clive, has notified us of his intention to retire. A small group have been running a project over the last few months to understand the market for Parish Council websites and to

recommend a new website supplier to the PC. The way that we have done this has been to contact about 12 local parishes and see what they are doing and understand their experience, review numerous parish websites and follow the links back to the hosting companies and get quotes and references directly from the hosting companies. There are two routes to follow to create a new Parish website: (1) use a software company with experience of parish websites to build one or (2) use a company that provides templates. After considering the difference between these two approaches, we have concluded that it makes no sense to have a company build our website (from scratch means that we have to define all the capabilities and layout of the site, a job for which we are not experienced). The detailed analysis of the final four suppliers complete with our selection scoring system defines the criteria that we feel are important. Our recommendation is to go with Town and Parish Council Websites. We understand that we can create the new site in about 6 weeks. All Councillors agreed and supported the decision. The team is now to decide the layout of the new website.

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

Report from VH & P Working Group

Nothing new to report. The Broadband is still scheduled for installation on the 24th June 2020.

12. BOROUGH COUNCILLORS REPORT

The Borough Council continues with fortnightly Planning Committees. George Sparks is a nominated Planning Committee Member, but I have been drafted in to substitute for another Member who is still out of action. I have attended each one so far, including last week and one next week. I also attended the re-convened Local Plan and Planning Policy Task Group recently which considered the responses from the Gypsy and Traveller consultation which the SPC commented on earlier in the year. This information will become public at some point, but there were presentational adjustments requested on some graphs. Officers are now working towards a second and more detailed consultation that will involve sites and potential sites.

13. COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Mr Mike Angell has reported that 28% of the 527 care homes in Kent had problems with Covid19. It was also reported that 115 people were setting up a system in relation to adult social care in connection with Medway.

14. KENT HIGHWAYS/PROW

- a) Highway Improvement Plan (update)
Highway Improvement Plan/Action Plan has been updated and distributed
- b) Items to be reported to KHS/PROW
Highway Improvement Plan/Action Plan has been updated and distributed
- c) Parking outside Rectory Bungalows (currently deferred)
Nothing to Report
- d) The Street (update)
Mr P Emanuel to chase Cabinet Members of KCC.
- e) Wooden Gates at all entrances/exits into Shadoxhurst (awaiting KCC information)
Grant for to be forwarded on to Mr S Cass

15. ITEMS FOR INCLUSION ON THE NEXT AGENDA

Village Sign, Hornash House

16. FORUM FOR EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION BETWEEN COUNCILLORS

There being no other business the meeting closed at 7.32pm

Signed

Dated

Chairman

SHADOXHURST PARISH COUNCIL
RECORD OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS

2020

MAY/JUNE 2020

There were no new planning application for May/June 2020

Decision Notices/Updates received from ABC

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.

Pending