

SWINGFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of Swingfield Parish Council held at Hawkinge Community Centre, on Tuesday 30 July 2019

PRESENT: Councillor Tony Hutt (in the Chair), Tim Allard, Vic Harmer, Kenneth Mitchell, David Monk, Steve Notley and Barbara Shaw.

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Andy Csiszar.

Officer in Attendance: Mrs Tina Wiles

Prior to the meeting starting the Chairman asked the Council to remain silent for a minute to mark the passing of Councillor John Heasman on 9th July 2019.

6027. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Vic Harmer declared a disclosable pecuniary interest in minute 6036 (Report PC/19/02 evaluation of tenders) and was absent from the meeting room during discussion and voting on this item.

6028. **MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 13 May 2019 were submitted approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

6029. **BUDGET MONITORING REPORT**

REPORT PC/19/01 provides the latest budget monitoring information and payments to be made.

Proposed by Councillor Ken Mitchell
Seconded by Councillor Vic Harmer and

RESOLVED:

- 1. To receive and note Report PC/19/01.**
- 2. To authorise the Chairman of the Council to sign the bank reconciliation and bank statements.**

(Voting: For 7; Against 0; Abstentions 0)

6030. **POLLING DISTRICT, POLLING PLACE AND STATION REVIEW**

REPORT: The District Council is carrying out a consultation for a compulsory review.

The Council considered the consultation.

Proposed by Councillor Barbara Shaw
Seconded by Councillor Steve Notley and

RESOLVED:

1. To receive and note the consultation.
2. To make a response that the polling station located in the scout hut on the A260 was not suitable on grounds of health and safety as it was access from the busy A260.
3. To suggest that the proprietors of the Black Horse Public House be contacted.

(Voting: For 7; Against 0; Abstentions 0)

6031. **PLANNING MATTERS**

The Council noted the planning applications received since the last meeting of the Council.

Y18/1073/FH Land 85 Meters South of Grace Cottage, Hoad Road, Swingfield

Change of Use of land for the stationing of two caravans for gypsies. – Amended/additional plans.

The Council's resolution to strongly object still stands as its formal response.

At this point it was;

Proposed by Councillor Tony Hutt
Seconded by Councillor Ken Mitchell and

RESOLVED: To close the meeting to allow members of the public to speak.

(Voting: For 7; Against 0; Abstentions 0)

After the public had spoken the Chairman re-convened the meeting.

Proposed by Councillor Tony Hutt
Seconded by Councillor Steve Notley and

RESOLVED:

1. To confirm the strong object to the application on the following grounds;
 - i) The site is in an AONB and not suitable for the proposed use.
 - ii) There are TPO's on site, tarmac and fencing which are not suitable for the site.
2. To write to Folkestone and Hythe District Council asking for enforcement action to be taken in respects of the unauthorised works being undertaken at the site.

(Voting: For 7; Against 0; Abstentions 0)

6032. **ROADS AND FOOTPATHS**

It was noted that;

i) HGV'Ss had been using Stockham Lane. It was noted that there was not a Temporary Traffic Regulation Order (TTRO) is made when it is necessary to temporarily stop or limit vehicular and/or pedestrian traffic along the highway. The Chairman and Councillor Barbara Shaw would discuss a plan for re-routing HGV's along other routes that were not single lane.

ii) The repairs to the tarmac on A260 were good. However the A260 had been blocked off at a different point from that advertised and this had caused problems for accessing Pay Street.

iii) The Chairman had reported to KCC that vehicles were travelling very fast from the A260 into Coach Road thinking there was not another junction there.

iv) It was noted that the footpath from Boyington Court to Reinden Wood was blocked in 3 places.

Proposed by Councillor Tony Hutt
Seconded by Councillor Steve Notley and

RESOLVED:

- 1. To receive and note the report.**
- 2. To ask the Clerk to report the blocked footpath.**

(Voting: For 7; Against 0; Abstentions 0)

6033. PARISH MAINTENANCE

It was reported that a redundant manhole inspection cover at the Swingfield Minnis site had been damaged.

Proposed by Councillor Tony Hutt
Seconded by Councillor Steve Notley and

RESOLVED:

- 1. To receive and note the report.**
- 2. To repair the damaged manhole cover.**

(Voting: For 7; Against 0; Abstentions 0)

6034. CORRESPONDENCE

1. An invitation had been received from the Shorncliffe Trust to attend workshops for the Garrison Project and proposals for a Heritage and Education Centre.

Councillor Barbara Shaw said she would attend.

6035. EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

Proposed by Councillor David Monk
Seconded by Councillor Tony Hutt and

RESOLVED: To exclude the public and press from the meeting for the following items of business by virtue of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

(Voting: For, 7 Against, 0; Abstentions, 0)

6036. EVALUATION OF TENDERS – SWINGFIELD MINNIS

REPORT PC/19/02 provides the evaluation of the recent tender process for the supply and installation of barriers at Swingfield Minnis.

Proposed by Councillor David Monk

Seconded by Councillor Ken Mitchell and

RESOLVED:

- 1. To receive and note Report PC/19/02.**
- 2. To ask the Swingfield and Acrise Recreation Ground Charity to award the contract to contractor 1.**

(Voting: For, 6 Against, 0; Abstentions, 0)