

Minutes of the virtual (Zoom) meeting of Sholden Parish Council held on Monday 26 October 2020 at 6.30pm.

PRESENT (via Zoom): Cllrs Marsh (Chair), Kewley (Vice-Chair), Robbins, Hall, Dyer, Murphy, Wanstall Bond, Jull, Beer and Kevin Lynch, Parish Clerk: 0 members of the public:

Action

1. To Receive apologies	None	
2. To receive Declarations of Interest to matters included on the agenda	None	
3. To resolve that the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 28 September 2020 are a correct record	Proposed: Cllr Murphy: Seconded: Cllr Kewley Agreed: All	
4. Public Participation	None	
5. KCC and DDC Reports	DDC: Cllrs Beer and Jull updated Sholden Parish Council on continuing problems with litter and fly-tipping on and around footpath ED1 and beyond into Sholden Parish. DDC were taking action. Cllr Jull updated Sholden Councillors on the revised DDC budget. There would be challenges in the next Financial Year. KCC: Cllr Murphy briefed Council on the increase in school transport appeals and that KCC continued to no longer accept Unaccompanied Minor Asylum Seekers. DDC: Cllr Murphy briefed Council on the problems with the transfer of social housing from EKH back to DDC, the proposed lorry park at Dover the need for more staff to deal with an increase in illegal and under reported fishing (IUUs). The Chair thanked Councillors for their comprehensive reports.	
6. Actions generated at the Parish Council held on 28 September	(i) Speedwatch – Council noted that the Clerk should arrange for an introductory Zoom meeting with those who had volunteered for the Speedwatch project. The Clerk briefed Council that it was, because of Covid, unlikely that any physical Speedwatch would be set up before 2021. Action: Clerk to liaise with Cllr Marsh to set up a Zoom informal briefing of the Speedwatch volunteers.	KL
7. Sholden New Road	Council recognised that this was an ongoing problem especially concerning agricultural vehicles navigating Sholden New Road. The Clerk would arrange for a working group (Cllrs Robbins, Murphy, Kewley and Wanstall) to look afresh at the issues. Action: Clerk as above	KL
8. Marsh Lane Fence Posts	Council noted that no further action was needed.	

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9. Covid Community Champions	Council agreed that DDC should lead on this, but also that Sholden Parish Council should publish key messages on the website and notice boards.	KL
10. Planning	<p>Council agreed:</p> <p>(i) To continue to object to the proposed development on the land off Church Lane (19/01260) and that the draft letter previously circulated would issue with Cllr Wanstall's addition re St Nicholas Church.</p> <p>(ii) At present no further action on Betteshanger Grove (20/00419). Should substantive issues arise, the Clerk will circulate/action.</p> <p>(iii) That the Clerk complete, on behalf of Council, the White Paper strategic consultation. The response to the consultation will reflect the thoughts in the Clerk's brief of 27 August – Sholden Parish disagrees with the erosion of current democratic rights, the presumption of consent and permitted development in the proposed growth and renewal zones and raise concerns about digitalisation.</p>	<p>KL</p> <p>KL</p> <p>KL</p>
11. Planning 2: Presentation by Richborough Estates	<p>Council noted the further overdevelopment of Sholden, the possibility of a formal application being submitted before Christmas and the need to act early on potential S.106 negotiations.</p> <p>Council agreed to, in principle, object to the application, agreed to await the leaflet distribution and monitor reactions from residents.</p> <p>Council agreed that the Clerk and councillors carefully monitor and report any and all developments on this potential major planning application.</p>	ALL
12. Finance	<p>Council resolved:</p> <p>(i) To accept the six-monthly budget review</p> <p>Proposed: Cllr Dyer, Seconded: Cllr Murphy, Agreed: All</p> <p>Council agreed the September and October payments and bank reconciliation.</p>	
13. Correspondence	None	
14. To receive agenda items for next meeting	<p>Clerk 2020/2021 Budget Forecast, 2021/2022 draft proposed budget and 2021 meeting dates.</p> <p>Cllr Wanstall – The Street drainage</p> <p>Cllr Murphy – School transport appeals.</p>	<p>KL</p> <p>DW</p> <p>DM</p>
	The Meeting Closed at 19.50pm	