

Minutes of the virtual (Zoom) meeting of Sholden Parish Council held on Monday 15 March 2021 at 6.30pm.

PRESENT (via Zoom): Cllrs Marsh, Kewley, Robbins, Hall, Dyer, Wanstall, Murphy, Jull, Manion, Bond and Kevin Lynch, Parish Clerk: No 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 27 January 2021 are a correct record	Proposed: Cllr Robbins: Seconded: Cllr Hall Agreed: All	
4. Public Participation	None	
5. KCC and DDC Reports	<p>Cllr Jull reported that the resolution concerning Betteshanger Grove planning application (20/00419) was not out of the ordinary. There would be additional charging for car parking on Sundays. Litter collection was starting on the A256 and A2 very soon.</p> <p>Cllr Bond noted that Deal Town Council have received KCC approval to close part of the High Street on a Saturday from 10am to 2pm over the next 18 months. Deal Town Council have agreed to reviewing the situation month. The closure is to enable socially distanced Saturday shopping. Cllr Bd continued that the Police Commander was trying to ensure that Parish Councils received monthly police updates. That litter collection was being referred to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.</p> <p>Cllr Manion noted the imminent elections, the work that the Kent Fire service was doing to further engage with the communities in that they just did not attend to fires. They could assist in various other matters.</p> <p>Cllr Murphy, briefed Council on the re-opening of the Walmer Science and Technology School, anticipating 300 pupils from reception to 16. That the Inland Border Facility at Guston was proving problematic re traffic and roundabouts. He reported on progress on the bus stop on London Road, the agreement to increase affordable housing in the district, the positive uptake of Covid vaccinations and congratulated Sholden on keeping its Precept at 0%. Cllr Marsh noted that residents from Sandwich had also favourably commented on the Sholden 0% precept.</p> <p>Cllr Murphy stated that KCC Councillors would be entering “purdah” because of the 06 May elections.</p> <p>The Chair thanked Councillors for their comprehensive reports.</p>	

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6. Actions generated at the Parish Council held on 27 January 2021.	(i) Council noted that there were no outstanding actions. (ii) Cllr Murphy briefed Council on the KCC bureaucracy surrounding informing parish councils about proposed tree felling. Council thanked Cllr Murphy for his investigations and noted that there was no further action.	
7. Response to the DDC draft Local Plan	Council resolved that the draft response as circulated be sent to the Dover District Council Local plan team Proposed: Cllr Dyer Seconded: Cllr Wanstall Agreed All. Action: Clerk as above.	KL
8. Planning Committee Report	(i) 21/00046: no comment and refused on 08 March. (ii) 21/00069: no comment. (iii) 20/01412: no comment and granted on 08 March. (iv) 21/00099: no comment and granted on 15 March. (v) 21/00251 no comment.	
9. Newsletter	Council resolved to: (i) Continue with Tower Design and Print for the printing and distribution of the Parish Newsletter (Cost £ 1320.00). Proposed: Cllr Hall. Seconded: Cllr Dyer. Agreed: All (ii) Council agree that the Clerk should, pandemic permitting research wider community input into the Newsletter Action: Clerk as above.	KL KL KL
10. Possible resumption of face-to-face meetings	Council noted that there was the possibility that Covid secure face-to-face meetings could resume on 06 May. Council requested the Clerk to explore the future use of the Village Hall and/or the Scout HQ for future face-to-face or hybrid remote and face-to-face meetings. Action: Clerk as above.	KL
11. Finance Committee Report	Council agreed the February payments and the January Bank Reconciliations.	
12. Correspondence	Council noted that all substantive correspondence had been circulated.	
13. To receive agenda items for next meeting	None	
	The Meeting Closed at 19.35pm	