

Minutes of the meeting of Sholden Parish Council held on Monday 27 September 2021 at 6.30pm.

PRESENT: Cllrs Marsh, Kewley (left at 7.30pm), Robbins, Murphy, Dyer, Hall, Wanstall, Manion, Bond, Jull and Kevin Lynch, Parish Clerk: No members of the public.

Action

1. To receive apologies	Cllrs Beer, Cronk	
2. To receive Declarations of Interest to matters included on the agenda	Cllr Wanstall Item 10 (18 The Street)	
3. To resolve that the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 26 July are a correct record	Proposed: Cllr Kewley: Seconded: Cllr Murphy Agreed: All	
4. Public Participation	None	
5. KCC and DDC Reports	<p>Cllr Marsh on behalf of Council congratulated Cllrs Jull and Bond on their interventions on planning application 21/00402 (refusal of planning permission for 117 dwellings along the Sandwich Road).</p> <p>Cllr Murphy informed/updated Council about:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) he was now a voting member of the Ebbsfleet Development Board. (ii) part of the new Internal Border Force infrastructure in and around Dover was on hold. DDC needed 250 extra phytosanitary officers – 190 had been recruited. Initially salaries would come from central government. (iii) there appeared to be little investor interest in the new “Nutrient Neutral” initiative which could have knock on effects on S.106 etc. agreements. (iv) a potential re-branding and revamping of Discovery Park near Sandwich. (iv) the issue of a single Kent Unitary authority was being revisited by central government. (v) the Straits Committee was up and running and working with higher education in France, Holland and Belgium. (vi) at present, the UK did not have the powers to make Eurostar stop at either Ashford or Ebbsfleet. <p>Cllr Bond up dated Council on the Veolia issues, the bus improvement plan, and the new Deal Flood Task Force.</p> <p>Councillor Manion updated Council on the ongoing issues surrounding waste collections. And explained the current issues surrounding the school transport for vulnerable school children.</p> <p>Cllr Jull explained that the long recess at the recent planning committee was because officers were discussing his supporting reasons for the refusal of 21/00402.</p> <p>Council thanked and all Councillors and noted Councillor Beer’s written report.</p>	

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6. Highways Improvement Plan	<p>Council agreed that:</p> <p>(i) The Clerk draft a consultation letter for limited circulation to those in the immediate area of the proposed double yellow lines at the bottom of The Street opposite the entrance to the maize field.</p> <p>(ii) The Clerk draft a consultation notice for inclusion in the Newsletter outlining the proposed double yellow lines on Sholden New Road opposite the cricket ground and at the bottom of Sholden New Road around the Village Hall.</p> <p>Action: Clerk as above.</p>	<p>KL</p> <p>KL</p>
7. Speedwatch	<p>Council noted that there had been no volunteer for a team leader/co-ordinator and agreed that, for the moment the Community Speedwatch project be suspended but that the Clerk consult the Ripple Parish Clerk about KCC Speed Monitoring.</p> <p>Action: Clerk as above.</p>	<p>KL</p>
8. Quinn Estates Event 30 September	<p>Council agreed that attendees would be Cllrs Wanstall and Dyer (Cllr Marsh as reserve) and The Clerk.</p>	
9. Village Hall/Parish Council working together	<p>Council resolved: -</p> <p>(i) to agree an informal maintenance agreement between the Parish Council and the Village Hall Trustees and</p> <p>(ii) to pay £550.00 for an independent clean of the back of the Village Hall prior to the Caretaker taking over outside garden maintenance.</p> <p>Proposed: Cllr Marsh, Seconded Cllr Dyer,</p> <p>For: 4: Against 1: Abstention 1.</p> <p>Action: Clerk to take forward.</p>	<p>KL</p> <p>KL</p>
10. Planning Committee Report	<p>(i) Council agreed to seek clarification concerning off-road parking outside of 21/0129. The Clerk to write to DDC.</p> <p>(ii) On application 21/01080, Council agreed that the Clerk write supporting the KCC (Highways) holding objection and not commenting on other matters.</p> <p>Action: Clerk as above.</p>	<p>KL</p> <p>KL</p>
11. HM Queen's Jubilee Year	<p>Council agreed that the Clerk (with a delegated expenditure of £1000.00) engage an arborist with a few to a feasibility study concerning planting 70 trees in the Parish.</p> <p>Action: Clerk as above.</p>	<p>KL</p>
12. Finance Committee Report	<p>Council agreed</p> <p>(i) the September payments and the August Bank Reconciliations.</p>	

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	(ii) noted the six monthly budget monitoring and forecasts.	
13. Correspondence	Council noted that all substantive correspondence had been circulated.	
14. To receive agenda items for next meeting	Additional Councillors	
	The Meeting Closed at 8.00pm	