# MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF GREAT MONGEHAM PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 7<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2017 AT 7.30pm GREAT MONGEHAM PARISH HALL

**Present:** Councillors T Madgwick (Chairman) I Lawrence J Gatland

T Ridyard P Hambrook

Dist Cllr Kenton 2 Members of the Public

S Wells Clerk to the Parish Council

#### 1. APOLOGIES

Dist Cllr Manion

#### 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

Cllr Ridyard and Hambrook declared a significant other interest in the Grant Application from the Parish Hall committee are they were both officers of the committee.

The meeting was closed so that members of the public could speak. Mr Chris Saville spoke about the Speedwatch scheme and the SID unit.

#### 3. PARISH COUNCIL VACANCIES

The vacancies were currently being advertised by DDC. The advert expires on 16<sup>th</sup> March 2017. It was agreed that assuming no election was called that the vacancies should be advertised. The Clerk to put a notice on the back of the Annual Meeting Agenda.

Action Sarah Wells

### 4. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

RESOLVED the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb 2017 are duly signed by the Chairman as a true and correct record of the meeting.

# 5. ACTIONS FROM THE LAST MEETING

# **Highways**

Response from KHS ref Yellow Line request for Mongeham Rd

KHS had responded to say that due to budget cuts this work could not be funded, however the Parish Council could commission a scheme and pay for it if they so wished. Cllr Manion suggested that the Council apply for a members grant to cover some of the costs of the work, this would also ensure that KHS undertook the commission work as part of a member's scheme project. The application would have to be made in the new financial year. The Clerk to add to the agenda for the April meeting.

**Action Sarah Wells** 

# Correspondence

KFRS/KALC Fire Hydrant Initiative — The Clerk had requested the locations of hydrants, these are being updated and will be sent out in a few months.

Action Discharged

The Rural Kent Coffee and Information Project - The Clerk had responded as agreed.

**Action Discharged** 

# **Forthcoming Events**

Lord Lieutenant of Kent Civic Service – Rochester Cathedral Tue 14<sup>th</sup> March – The Clerk had returned the RSVP. Action Discharged

Battles Over – A Nation's Tribute 11 Nov 2018 – The Clerk had contacted Ripple PC and there were willing to hold a joint event.

Action Discharged

#### **Finance**

Historic Village Panels refurbishment – The Clerk had contacted DDC and received more information.

Action Discharged

Sutton PC – Traffic Survey partnership request – The Clerk had responded as agreed.

**Action Discharged** 

Landscape service – Ground Maintenance quote 2017 – Two additional quotes had been requested.

**Action Discharged** 

# 6. POLICE REPORT

No reports had been received, the Clerk reported that a new PCSO had been allocated to this area. It was agreed the Clerk should invite her to attend the Annual Parish Meeting.

Action Sarah Wells

# 7. PLANNING

# a) Planning Applications

# i) DOV/17/00158 & 157 (Description changed)

**Proposal:** Conversion of former agricultural buildings to four dwellings.

Location: Site at Great Mongeham Farm, Cherry Lane, Great Mongeham, CT14 0HF

RESOLVED no objections should be raised to this application provided sufficient drainage, sewage and access arrangements were put in place.

# ii) DOV/17/00208

**Proposal:** Erection of single and two storey extensions and insertion of a window in side elevation

Location: Watts Farm, 208 Mongeham Rd, Great Mongeham CT14 9LP

RESOLVED no objections should be raised to this application

# b) Planning Decisions

None received.

#### c) Correspondence

None received.

# d) Consultation Documents

None received.

#### 8. REPORTS

To receive written or verbal reports from:-

# a) County Councillor

No report received.

#### **b)** District Councillors

Cllr Kenton gave a report including information on the housing strategy and review of the core strategy, DTIZ, new sports centre and operation TAP.

#### c) Council members

No reports received.

#### 9. HIGHWAYS

To discuss and agree actions relating to highways issues

a) Church Path – Surface muddy and covered in debris

It was agreed this should be monitored and discussed again at a later date.

b) SID unit Annual Calibration due 03-03-2017 – Cost £150.00 + Carriage £38 This had been discussed during the public session, the advice from the police speed watch co-ordinator is that calibration every two years should be sufficient as the unit was not being used for enforcement.

c) Kissing gate behind the Three Horseshoes

Cllr Gatland reported that the kissing gate had been pushed back beyond its stops and that horses were now being lead through the gate and along the path behind the public house. The Clerk to report to PROW.

Action Sarah Wells

d) Dirty Signs Cherry Lane

Cllr Gatland reported that most of the signs in the parish had been cleaned, however the signs at either end of Cherry Lane were still obscured by dirt and algae. The Clerk to report to KHS. Action Sarah Wells

#### 10. CORRESPONDENCE

To discuss and agree actions relating to correspondence received by the Council.

# a) Consultation Documents

i) White paper – Fixing our broken housing market Noted by the members.

# b) Newsletters and Circular

i) KALC Parish News

Noted by the members.

# c) Other Correspondence

i) Historic Village Panels

The sign had been inspected and it was felt it did not need refurbishing at this time.

- ii) Request to host Village News on the Parish Council web site This was discussed and agreed.
  - iii) Kent and Surry and Sussex Air Ambulance Trust would like to come out and speak to communities

It was agreed the Air Ambulance Trust should be invited to speak at the Annual Parish Meeting.

# 11. FORTHCOMING EVENTS

# a) Council Event

To discus and agree actions relating to events organised by the Council.

i) Annual Parish Meeting –Discuss agenda & Refreshments

The agenda was discussed and agreed, the Clerk to get 450 copies printed by the 20<sup>th</sup> March for distribution with the next Village News Letter.

Action Sarah Wells

ii) Battles Over – A Nations Tribute 11-11-2018

The Clerk to arrange a meeting with representatives from Ripple PC.

**Action Sarah Wells** 

# b) Outside Event

Nothing to discuss

# 12. FINANCE

To discuss and agree actions relating to any financial correspondence presented to the Council.

a. Kent Surrey Sussex Air ambulance – Grant request

This request was discussed but it was agreed not to give a grant as it may set a precedent.

b. Ground Work quotes

One additional quote had been received. The two quotes were discussed.

RESOLVED the quote from English Landscape should be accepted.

**Action Sarah Wells** 

c. 2017/18 Salary Scales

RESOLVED the new salary scale should be adopted. The Clerk to calculate the new standing order payments.

Action Sarah Wells

d. Grant request – Parish Hall committee

Cllr Hambrook and Ridyard declared an interest and did not vote on this request.

RESOLVED at grant of £1000.00 should be made towards the refinishing of the hall floor. The Money to be paid on completion or the work.

Action Sarah Wells

# 13. PAYMENTS

None received.

# 14. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The Next meeting of the Council will be the ordinary meeting on Thur 6<sup>th</sup> April at 6.30pm followed by the Annual Parish Meeting at 7.30pm.

#### Scheduled dates.

4<sup>th</sup> May 2017 1<sup>st</sup> Jun 2017 6<sup>th</sup> Jul 2017

7<sup>th</sup> Sept 2017 5<sup>th</sup> Oct 2017 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov 2017 7<sup>th</sup> Dec 2017

The meeting closed at 9.00pm