

ADDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 9 January 2019 at 20:00hrs
in the Pavilion, Park Road.

Present: Cllr. Mr. S. Macdonald-Gay – Chairman, Cllrs. Mrs. A. Adams, Mrs. P. Garrett, Mr. P. Dey, Mr. P. Robinson, Mrs. C. Short
Borough Councillor Ann Kemp
5 members of the public

134/18] APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

County Councillor Sarah Hohler.

135/18] DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST/REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION

Cllr Garrett expressed a pecuniary interest in 141/18 (c) (1).

136/18] MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING:

It was proposed that the Chairman signed the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 5 December 2018 as a correct record. Agreed.

137/18] REPORTS

a) County Councillor – There was no report.

b) Borough Councillor – Borough Councillor Ann Kemp reported that T&MBC has received 3,750 responses to the consultation on the proposed Local Plan of which just 211 were comments of support. The highest number of objections were received for the proposed development at Bushey Wood and Borough Green. A discussion was also held on the implications of the new Licensing Act regarding the breeding and sale of animals. Borough Councillor Ann Kemp reminded Members that a Local Election is due to take place in May.

20:08hrs Borough Councillor Ann Kemp left the meeting

c) Kent Police – Cllr. Macdonald-Gay reported that on the 28 December 2018 a lock-up was broken into in London Road, Addington and a motorbike was taken and on the same day two industrial units also in London Road were broken into. On the 6 December 2018 a van parked in a pub car park in Taylors Lane, Trottscliffe was broken into and tools were stolen.

138/18] MATTERS ARISING:

1] Monthly check of the defibrillator and any other update - The Clerk advised Members that both of the defibrillators in the village had been checked this month and an update provided on WebNos. The battery on each defibrillator has been replaced. The recent incident which involved a local resident and their family not being able to access the defibrillator at the Jet Garage, London Road was discussed further. The Clerk advised that the SECAMB representative has suggested that the Computer Aided Dispatch is set to alert all defibrillators within a 400 meter radius of the call and that as the address in question was outside this area the defibrillator was not offered. He has raised the incident formally as agrees that this ruling is not acceptable in rural areas and will provide further feedback. The family concerned agreed to give further feedback on the sequence of events. The SECAMB representative has suggested raising awareness of the defibrillators locally through advertising and a further training event. Members **resolved** that the Clerk should take up the SECAMB representative's offer to hold a further training event. The Clerk advised that the Community Heartbeat Trust is now able to restore a 999 emergency telephone to the BT kiosk. The GSM phone will connect to any network that provides a signal. The cost of each phone is £350.00 plus delivery and installation and VAT and there is an annual maintenance cost of £60.00. Members **resolved** to order an emergency phone for each BT kiosk. The Clerk will place a flyer in the The Pilgrims to remind local residents how to access the defibrillators once the emergency phones have been installed.

2] Speedwatch – The Clerk reported that speedwatch sessions are currently suspended due to no volunteers being able to help. The Clerk has been advised that training can now be done through a combination of online health and safety tests and on an actual session. The Clerk will arrange for Cllr.

Dey to have access to the appropriate website and will place a further article in The Pilgrims asking for volunteers to come forward stating that all training can now be done in-house.

3] Play equipment at the recreation ground – Cllr. Robinson advised that there has been no contact from the local group who were interested in assisting with fund raising for new play equipment. (See item 139/18 (c) (3)).

4] T&MBC Local Plan Development – T&MBC are now compiling all of the responses to the consultation and aim to submit these to the Secretary of State by the end of January 2019.

5] Reinstatement of the footbridge over the M20 – Highways England have started the informal consultation process to deregister the area of Common Land they intend to use for the new ramp to the footbridge. In parallel to this informal consultation their legal team will finalise the preparation of the formal application with the aim of submitting it to the Inspectorate towards the end of January 2019.

20:30hrs: The meeting was suspended to allow 2 members of the public to speak about their concerns about the structure of the proposed replacement footbridge and ramps which appears to be much larger than the previous bridge. The members of the public who live near to the area are concerned about overlooking.

20:36hrs: The meeting was reconvened

Members agreed that the Clerk should pass on the members of the public concerns about the design and potential overlooking to their home to Highways England and ask them to investigate.

6] Smart Motorway Junction 3-5 – MP Tom Tugendhat is still lobbying on behalf of the Parish Council, for noise barriers to be installed in the East Street and The Paddocks area which would not only benefit these properties but the whole village. The Clerk was asked to find out if any progress has been made with his lobbying. Cllr. Macdonald-Gay raised the ongoing issue of roadworks being co-ordinated with the planned works on the M20. A recent incident involving a burst water main on the A20, which resulted in single file traffic, created huge traffic problems locally at peak times for nearly 2 weeks.

7] New Website/GDPR – Members advised the Clerk that they are still struggling to activate their new email accounts. The Clerk offered to find out if an alternative domain could be used.

8] Village Event – Members **resolved** to give permission to the PCC at St. Margaret's Church to hold an open air service on Addington Green on either the 9 or 16 June 2019. The Clerk will ask for insurance documents to be provided and for a full risk assessment to be undertaken and submitted at least one month before the event for approval. The Clerk will also notify the Addington Green residents of the event once the exact date is known.

9] Ryarsh – Proposed sandpit update – County Councillor Sarah Hohler has advised the Clerk that the proposed sandpit in Ryarsh has been removed from the draft Minerals Plan. However, it is possible that a planning proposal could still be received from the landowner for such a quarry which would have to go through the normal consultation process.

10] Vacancy on the Parish Council – The Clerk has placed information about the role on the website and in The Pilgrims.

139/18] FINANCE

a) A statement as at 9 January 2019 was circulated:

Business Reserve Account	£ 43,314.40
Current Account	£ 115.50
Consuls Account	£ 100.00
National Savings Account:	£ 24,981.90

b) **Receipts:** There were none

c) Other matters:

1] Annual Review of the Standing Orders – Members approved the current version of the Standing Orders. The Clerk will amend the review date and place a further copy on the website.

2] Clerks Salary for 2019/20 - Members **resolved** to move the Clerk from SCP27 to SCP28.

3] Budget 2019/20 Cllrs. Macdonald-Gay Garrett and the Clerk had prepared a budget document for circulation. The Clerk is trying to obtain further quotes for the grass cutting. One quote has been received from the current contractor and the Clerk was asked to find out if they could remove clause 7.1. Members discussed a quote of £1,806.00 obtained by the Clerk for the Parish Council to cut the grass and verges in The Links which is currently cut by T&MBC. Each household paid £4.19 in 2018/19 as a Special Expense for this grass cutting. Members agreed that it did not make financial sense for the Parish Council to take on the grass cutting for The Links. The Clerk will advise the member of the public who raised this issue of their decision. Members **resolved** to allocate £25,000.00 towards the project to replace the play equipment. The Clerk will assist with obtaining quotes, further funding and the design in conjunction with the Recreation Ground Committee. A total estimated expenditure of £25,466.00 for 2019/20 which includes £5,000.00 for community projects was agreed in addition to the £25,000.00 to be set aside from reserves for the playground project.

4] Precept request - It was **resolved** that the precept upon T&MBC for the financial year 2019/20 should not be changed and remain at £23,000.00. Any shortfall will be met from reserves.

5] Bank Mandate - postponed to the next meeting

6] Home Start – request for a donation – Members asked the Clerk to find out how many families in Addington have directly benefitted from the services of Home Start before making a decision about any donation.

7] Proposal to make a donation of £1000.00 to St Margaret’s PCC – Members **resolved** to make a donation of £1000.00 to St Margaret’s PCC to cover the cost of the grounds maintenance of the church yard in 2018.

c) Cheques for signature:

<u>Supplier</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Cheque Number</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Mrs L S Goldsmith	(Salary- December)	1983	£ 320.38
HMRC	(Tax – December)	1984	£ 320.37
Mrs L S Goldsmith	(Expenses – December)	1985	£ 117.39
Viking	(Stationery)	1986	£ 74.02
The Community Heartbeat Trust	(Battery replacements)	1987	£ 558.00
St Margarets PCC	(Donation)	1988	£1,000.00
Total			£2,390.16

Transfer from Business Reserve Account to Current Account - £2,400.00

The Chairman proposed that the cheques listed above be signed. Agreed.

140/18] MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC:

One member of the public expressed his concern about the planning proposal TM/18/02921/FL. Two members of the public were given permission to speak during item 138/18 (5).

141/18] PLANNING

a) Applications:

1] TM/18/02921/FL – Bridge House, Endeavour Park, London Road, Addington

Construction of a contemporary single storey freestanding building to be used as additional office space.

210:08hrs the meeting was suspended for 2 minutes to allow a member of the public to answer a question

Resolved: Object. Members feel that the proposal represents a complete over development of the site and will have an adverse effect on the residential amenity of the surrounding properties. We support the

comments made in the objections on the portal with regards to concern over the likelihood of an increase in vehicle movements for access on to this busy stretch of the A20 and also in respect of parking in the vicinity from new employees. Local knowledge informs us that the main building was built closer to the neighbouring property than in the original plans and it is possible that an extension has been added without planning permission.

2] TM/18/02881/FL – Meadow View, East Street, Addington, ME19 5DE

Proposed single storey ground floor extension to front and rear elevations plus roof terrace over rear extension (part of). *Resolved: No objections.*

3] TM/18/02972/FL – The Caravan, East Street, Addington, ME19 5DH

Removal of existing residential caravan and outbuildings and erection of a single detached dwelling with associated hard and soft landscaping. *Resolved: No objections subject to a condition set that the site is cleared and tidied up and any contamination issues dealt with.*

4] TM/18/02975/FL – Long Acre, Trottiscliffe Road, Addington, ME19 5AZ

Construction of double car port. *Resolved: No objections.*

5] TM/18/02976/FL – Park Lodge, Park Road, Addington, ME19 5BQ

The erection of 4 dwellings. The demolition of the existing dwelling and garage and replacement with a new dwelling together with 3 new dwellings and associate amenity areas, parking and landscaping.

Resolved: No objections subject to conditions set that the recommendations in both the Heritage Impact Assessment and Habitat Survey are adhered to.

6] TM/18/02873/FL – Brookfield House, St Vincents Lane, Addington, ME19 5BW

Proposed ground floor and first floor side extensions with replacement garage to front.

Resolved: No objections.

b) Decisions:

1] TM/18/02559/FL – Sunnysdene, 19 Clearway, Addington, ME19 5BP

Demolition of existing glass conservatory and erection of single storey rear extension. *Approved*

c) Other Matters

21:31hrs Cllr. Garrett declared a pecuniary interest and left the meeting

1] Big Motoring World, London Road/Bonheure – There was no report. It was agreed that the Clerk should remove this as an agenda item but will continue to monitor activities at the site.

21:34hrs Cllr. Garrett returned to the meeting

2] Stubblesdown, London Road – The Clerk has reported to enforcement that another vehicle was advertised for sale on the highway verge. There has been no further breach.

3] 16/00337/USEH - Jet Garage portakabin/portaloos for car wash – An Enforcement Notice was served on the 23 July with a compliance date of the 22 September 2018. However the Clerk has been advised that a second appeal has been lodged. T&MBC are waiting to hear from the Planning Inspectorate.

4] 17/00312/WORKH – The Seekers Trust - The owner has complied with the Enforcement Notice to remove the structure and the case is now closed.

5] 17/00182/USEM – 6 Hazelview, East Street – Enforcement has advised the Clerk that the window cleaning business has been relocated to a lock up garage outside of Addington and that vehicles will no longer be arriving at the site in connection with the business. The enforcement case is now closed.

6] The Vineyard Restaurant, London Road – The Clerk was asked to report to Enforcement that a caravan has been parked on the site for several weeks.

142/18| HIGHWAYS:

a) Highways & PROW enquiries Outstanding:- (as at 9 January 2019)

1] Enquiry 398278 - Standing light on the island near to the junction of the A20 with Trottiscliffe Road is not working. KCC has advised the Clerk that they have carried out numerous repairs over the last few months and that the ongoing problem must be due to a cable fault or water ingress. An engineer was due to inspect the area again in December and the Clerk has still not received any further updates. Members asked the Clerk to report the problems experienced in

getting the lighting fixed to County Councillor Sarah Hohler so that she can intervene before an accident occurs.

2] Enquiry 401535 Sandy Lane and St Vincents – concern these roads are being used as rat runs by cars trying to avoid queueing at the Seven Mile Lane roundabout. The Clerk has asked if signage could be put up on the A20 to explain these are single track roads.

3] Enquiry 401536 London Road – The Highways Steward has asked the contractors to be more vigilant about clearing mud left on the road from the development on the site of the former dwelling Miline.

4] Enquiry 401540 Payphone sign – KCC has advised the Clerk that the payphone sign on the slip road from Junction 5 of the M20 where it meets the A20 is to be removed and that a request has been passed to T&MBC for action.

5] Enquiry 401534 West of Aldon Lane – footpath to be cleared. The Clerk has reported.

b) New requiring attention

1] Dropped manhole east of the Trottscliffe Road/London Road crossroads – the Clerk to report

2] Pot hole and carriage way eroded on St Vincents Lane near to the gate to the golf club grounds – the Clerk to report.

3] Hernwell Farm/London Road - The Clerk to report that the carriageway is breaking up just east of Hernwell Farm.

c) Other matters:

1] Big Conversation Update – Cllr. Adams attended the meeting held on the 19 December 2018 about the new feeder service which will be a timetabled service and will provide a new link to the Tesco at Lunsford Park offering increased journey opportunities. KCC presented two revised proposed routes, one which terminates at St Martin's Square and one which terminates at Maidstone Hospital. Both routes will have connections to Maidstone Town Centre. The advantages and disadvantages of each route were discussed at the meeting and it was agreed the best way forward would be to consult with the public on both options. The consultation is due to commence on the 22 January 2019.

2] T&MBC New Waste Contract – Members were pleased to hear that a representative from T&MBC is able to attend the Annual Parish Meeting due to be held on the 3 April 2019 to give a presentation on the changes in which household waste is to be collected in the Borough. The Clerk will place this information on the website and in the next edition of The Pilgrims.

143/18] REPORTS OF MEETINGS:

a) Village Hall Committee – There was no report.

b) Recreation Ground Committee – Cllr. Robinson reported that they are employing a mole catcher at reasonable rates to control the problems they are experiencing with moles on the recreation ground. Cllr. Robinson will pass on the contact details for the mole catcher to the Clerk.

c) Parish Partnership Panel – There has been no meeting.

d) Standards Committee – Members noted that the meeting due to be held on the 15 January 2019 has been cancelled due to lack of business.

e) KALC Area Committee – There has been no meeting. Cllr. Garrett will attend the meeting due to be held on the 10 January 2019 and had been asked to provide Members views on the Parish Councils' experience and current contact arrangements with the PCSO. Members asked Cllr. Garrett to report that they are disappointed with the level of contact and would like to receive regular reports on how crime is being tackled in the area.

144/18] OPEN SPACES:

1] Oak Tree on village green – Members noted that the Tommy figure has been removed from the green and placed in storage. The Clerk will monitor the current problem of moles and if necessary appoint a contractor to get them removed.

21:58hrs 2 members of the public left the meeting

145/18] CORRESPONDENCE:

a) For information:-

- 1] Area 2 Planning Committee – 23 January 2019
- 2] Joint Transportation Board – 11 March 2019
- 3] Parish Partnership Panel – 7 February 2019
- 4] Standards Committee – 15 January 2019 - CANCELLED
- 5] KALC Area Meeting – 10 January 2019

b) On circulation: -

- 1] Parish News – December 2018
- 2] Big Conversation Working Group –
- 3] The Clerk Magazine
- 4] Clerk & Councils Direct – January 2019
- 5] Tonbridge & Malling Community Safety Partnership – Newsletter – Jan/Feb 2019
- 6] KALC – Agenda for meeting Thursday 10 January 2019
- 7] Highways England – Pre-application consultation on CL60 – East Street Footbridge

c) New requiring attention: Nothing additional to consider

146/18 ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

- 1] Cllr. Garrett gave her apologies for the February and March meetings.
- 2] Cllr. Robinson advised he has responded to the consultation on the proposed Lower Thames Crossing on behalf of the Parish Council.

147/18] ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING: Nothing additional.

148/18] DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING:

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Wednesday 6 February 2019 in the Pavilion

149/18] ANY CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS: There was none.

The meeting was closed at 22:00hrs

SignedChairman Date