

HALSTEAD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 11 January 2016 AT 19.45 IN THE PAVILION, STATION ROAD, HALSTEAD.

PRESENT:

Cllr. Terry Brooker, Chairman of Council
Cllr Christine Halliday Vice Chairman
Cllr. Jeff Baldwin
Cllr. Philip Draper
Cllr. Barry Gardiner
Cllr. Karen Grosvenor
Cllr. Roger Sales

IN ATTENDANCE: Clerk, 12 parishioners, District Councillor Grint

The meeting convened at 19.48

1 APOLOGIES:

Apologies were received from District Council Gary Williamson. Members present signed the attendance register,

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ON AGENDA ITEMS

Items other than those already declared in Councillors' Register of Interests
Nil

2.1 DISPENSATIONS

Nil

3 RESOLVED: The Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 14 December 2015 were approved and Signed as a True Record.

4 FINANCE

4.1 RESOLVED: That the Accounts as itemised be paid, proposed by Cllr Halliday, seconded by Cllr. Draper, carried unanimously.

CQ839	Clerk repayment refreshments December PC	£ 43.98	
CQ840	Thames Water Beldam Haw	£ 45.26	
CQ841	Contact Signs, defibrillator	£ 42.00	
CQ842	Viridor Waste disposal	£ 57.80	
CQ843	SDC, dog waste disable	£ 121.68	
CQ844	Commercial Services, worm castings	£ 248.00	
CQ845	Express Keys, Pavilion	£ 60.00	
	Homemaid – cleaners December	£ 181.50	

Clerk's expenses incurred while carrying out her duties:

Internet allowance	£ 17.66	
Mileage: 1 x Bank @ 11 =	£ 4.95	
Stationery	£ 26.48	
Postage	£ 27.00	<u>£76.09</u>

DD	EDF Parish Room	£ 25.00	
DD	EDF Pavilion	<u>£ 25.00</u>	<u>£ 50.00</u>

TOTAL PAYMENTS AS AT 11 January 2016 **£ 926.31**

Plus salary payment Mrs King Scott, Clerk

Cheques were signed at the close of business by **Cllr. Sales and Cllr Halliday**

4.2 RECEIPTS AS AT 11 January 2016

BACS	Ms Summers (Parish Room) Inv 80/81	£ 70.00
V1261	Miss Bryer (Parish Room) Inv 51	<u>£ 63.00</u>

5. DISTRICT COUNCILLORS' REPORT

Cllr. Grint stated that there was very little to report except that the signing of the 106 agreement by the owners of Fort Halstead has taken place.

Cllr. Grint, in his position as Parish Councillor for Badgers Mount, advised that his Council is attempting to purchase a piece of woodland from Sevenoaks District Council which forms a buffer against traffic noise and would be protected from development. Badgers Mount Parish Council has six months to raise £88000.

6. CLERK'S REPORT

6.1 **Policing:** meeting with Sargent Marc Beresford. It was agreed that our PCSO should attend Council meetings every third month if possible.

E-Watch is run by neighbourhood watch; the police have small input. **Not all crimes are published**, often the victim does not want this. **When local meetings** are advertised this does not mean that our PCSO will attend as there are teams traveling around Kent who run surgeries; advice therefore will be general. **Parking:** PCSOs are able to post warning notices on cars, if the problem continues Police officers can be involved. **Cars must not park within 10 metres** of a corner. **Speed checks** can be arranged if required.

6.2 Allan Spense is considering arranging an exhibition to commemorate the Battle of the Somme. Information needed.

6.3 Kent Resources partnership. Information will be circulated relating to recycling, particularly plastic.

7 PLANNING COMMITTEE**7.1 Planning Applications****Granted**

a. SE/15/03060/HOUSE Dorminton, Stonehouse Road

Velux windows to front and rear roof-scape, new French doors to rear elevation. - **Noted**

b. SE/15/00628/OUT/Fort Halstead, Crow Drive

Outline planning permission for the demolition of buildings and development of mixed use development. **Noted**

c. SE/15/03304/house 7 London Road, TN147DS

Alterations to existing dwelling – single storey rear extension; side extension; large garage, entrance porch, roof conversion and new rear dormer creating additional bedroom. - **Noted**

7.2 Refused

Nil

7.3 Fort Halstead proposed redevelopment

Cllr. Grint advised that he had heard that one party involved with the development of Fort Halstead had withdrawn. Cllr. Brooker remarked that the letter recently circulated by SDC granting outline planning consent for the development was the same as one issued in August.

It does not state in the letter that the entrance on Star Hill will only be used for buses, pedestrians and cyclists; it is now just designated as second entrance.

Cllr. Draper expressed his concerns that no mention had been made within the decision notice as to how and when the contamination will be dealt with. Councillors agreed with his statement.

19.24 Chairman adjourned the meeting for Mr Duncanson-Hunter to speak: He asked about the positioning of the houses in relation to the contaminated areas. He believes there should be a challenge made on the contamination matter.

19.25: meeting was reconvened.

8 AMENITIES AND HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE**8.1 Flag-pole**

Position of Flag Pole. A parishioner had suggested that this be placed on Southdene green as it will be accessible and visible for all.

Council agreed this was a viable location. SDC, owners of the land, had been contacted for consent.

Cost of Flag Pole including delivery and installation. Three quotations had been sourced with same specifications.

Flagpole Express - £757.94; The Flag Consultancy Ltd -£925.00; Hampshire Flag Comp- £481.00 – all + VAT

Council thanked the Village Hall Committee for their offer of a position on their land. ***Agenda Item February***

- 8.2 Yellow lines - approval of locations
The matter has been passed to County Councillor Parry who will arrange a site meeting with Councillors and officials from KCC and SDC. *Agenda Item February*
- 8.3 Biggin Hill Airport new landing system consultation.
Cllrs. Baldwin, Draper, Gardiner, Grosvenor and Sales, plus the Clerk, had attended a meeting at Biggin Hill Airport. Cllr. Baldwin gave a report and stated that the proposed changes should not really affect Halstead. This was agreed by all the councillors who attended the meeting.
- 8.4 Recreation Ground/Pavilion car park
Concerns have been expressed that regular hirers of the Pavilion or users of the Recreation Ground are having problems with people parking in the car park. It was suggested that letters be written to those people parking overnight. Introduction of signage was suggested, new combination lock on gate. *Agenda item February.*
Pass to the Amenities & Highways Committee.
- 8.5 East facing slips junction 5 M25 information require in support of project
Concerns were expressed that this might increase traffic movements in Halstead. It was agreed that Council was unable to support this project until the full plans for the introduction of the slip road were available. Clerk will contact KALC for information. *Agenda item February*
- 9 INFORMATION**
- a. Council Peter Fleming, Leader of Sevenoaks District Council was awarded the Order of the British Empire in the New Year Honours List. It was **Resolved** that the Clerk should write and congratulate him.
- b. Paramount London Entertainment Resort. Another consultation will be held soon and Council will be invited to attend. www.londonparamount.info
- 10 DATE OF NEXT MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL:
MONDAY 8 FEBRUARY IN THE PAVILION, STATION ROAD AT 19.45**

The meeting closed at 21.40