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GOODNESTONE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

21ST JULY 2021

**PRESENT: COUNCILLORS CHAIRMAN PHILLIPS , ALDINGTON, TURNER
BROWN, HAWKSWORTH**

Clerk Christine Plummer

- 1. APOLOGIES** Cllr Andy Beeching
- 2. MINUTES OF THE MEETING 23rd June 2021**
Minutes for this meeting were approved
- 3. DISTRICT COUNCIL REPORT**

CLLR Mike Connolly submitted a report July 14th2021

District Councillor's Report

1. I am sorry to report the resignation, for personal reasons, of M J Holloway as a District Councillor, Cabinet Member, Deputy Leader and member of Sandwich Town Council. He has put a huge amount of energy into his role as Portfolio Holder for Inward Investment and Tourism and has created the framework for the regeneration of Dover Town. This role will now come under the direct remit of Trevor Bartlett as Leader of the Council. In workload compensation Trevor has passed responsibility for DDC's response to the climate change emergency to Cllr Chris Vinson, who has a particularly strong interest in this issue. Cllr Oliver Richardson becomes Deputy Leader and Cllr Martin Bates joins the Cabinet with responsibility for Transport, Licensing and Regulatory Services.
2. Although not as acute as a few weeks ago the problems with the waste collection services have continued. Under intense pressure from DDC Veolia have responded by throwing resource at the problem with extra manpower (currently using some 80 agency staff as it is very difficult to recruit and motivate permanent staff.) This has had some effect. However we believe this is not a sustainable long term solution and we have insisted that Veolia carry out a fundamental review of what has gone wrong and how we may move forward to a reliable service. We expect the result of this review in September so until then they will have to continue fire fighting. Regular meetings continue.
3. Following the consultation on the draft Local Plan we have now completed the processing of all the comments received. These comments are available to view on the consultation portal online (www.doverdistrictlocalplan.co.uk/get-involved) We had an excellent level of response to the consultation, receiving over 3400 comments from 1280 individuals and organisations. The next stage is a revised Plan, incorporating DDC's response to the comments received (Reg 19) which will go out to further consultation in early 2022.
4. Inland Border Facility: The Government has decided to split the facilities into two sites. HMRC will go to the site at Guston originally proposed for all the facilities, while DEFRA will take an alternative site in the District. Location of this is known but cannot yet be declared as commercial discussions are continuing.

5. Memorial to Dame Vera Lynn: An underpass in Dover Town and part of the White Cliffs footpath have been renamed in Dame Vera's honour. An appeal has been launched, facilitated by DDC, for funds to create a Dame Vera Lynn Bowl, a performing centre on the Western Heights which would also incorporate a statue.

4. GOODNESTONE C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL REPORT

Report to be submitted to next meeting

5. FOOTPATHS

Cllr Beeching had submitted a report on local footpaths to include the following
EE275 overgrown from Rowling area to pigs. grid ref TR227541 54086
EE271B broken stile with rabbit fencing erected by farmer causing difficulties for walkers and dog walkers. grid ref TR26862 54001
EE271B station Road ploughed over and planted impossible to navigate without destroying crops. Grid ref TR 26605 5437
EE228 diverted to west of Chillenden windmill impossible to pass due to lack of maintenance

Cllrs agreed that KCC PROW to be informed of access problems.

Clerk reported donation of a petrol strimmer.

Bruderhoff Community at Beech Grove confirmed donation of wooden bench to be placed in Chillenden Village. Cllrs discussed location and ownership of proposed land opposite Short Street. Cllr Hawksworth agreed to research land ownership.

Cllrs also agreed to include a plaque on the bench in thanks for kind donation

ACTION: CLERK TO REPORT TO HEATHER WALLER KCC PROW OFFICER

ACTION: Cllr HAWKSWORTH TO CONFIRM LAND OWNERSHIP

ii PARISH INFORMATION BOARDS

Cllr Aldington confirmed the costings of the proposed Parish Notice boards. Total costs for each board £845. With installation and posts to be completed by local workforce.

Clerk requested to investigate funding opportunities from DDC Welcome Back Fund.

Cllr Aldington agreed to confirm land ownership In Goodnestone adjacent to Church with members of the Parochial Church Council.

ACTION : CLERK TO CONTACT DOVER DISTRICT COUNCIL ABOUT FUNDING FROM WELCOME BACK FUND

6. HIGHWAY MATTERS

Clerk confirmed that following discussion with Louise Winch KCC Highways a report had been submitted to KCC concerning the road markings at Copmans Hall junction and resulting recent accidents.

Advice included a suggestion that the area could be added to The Parish Councils Highway Improvement Plan at a later date.

Clerk to report back at next meeting.

7. SPEED CONTROLS GOODNESTONE AND CHILLENDEN

Following the recent zoom meeting with Louise Winch KCC Highways attended by Cllr Phillips and Cllr Hawksworth it was agreed the project should continue with the original plans to introduce 20mph in Goodnestone The Street and Chillenden High Street with a view to proceed with further surveys in other surrounding roads including Short Street in 2022.

Cllrs agreed to the next stage funding of the project on receipt of invoices from KCC.

Cllr Hawksworth to circulate the minutes from the zoom meeting.

8. STREET LIGHTING

No further reports

9. DEFIBRILLATOR SERVICING

Clerk reported that a quiz will be held in The Fitz with all proceeds to support the maintenance contract for the machine in Goodnestone.

Cllr Turner Brown agreed to fund the service for the machine in Chillenden.

ACTION : CLERK TO PROGRESS

10. ELECTRIC CAR CHARGING

Cllr Aldington reported further information from KCC about the location of Car Charging points in rural areas. It was agreed by Cllrs that the information should be shared with Lord FitzWalter as there is no appropriate community land in the Parish.

11. FINANCES

12.1 PAYMENTS FOR APPROVAL

i Roger Austin Mowing £133.20

ii Roger Austin Mowing £145.20 Proposed Cllr Aldington Seconded Cllr Phillips

Cheque no 430 £278.40

12. PLANNING

21/01078 Hop Cottage Cllr Aldington expressed some concerns. Cllr Phillips requested Clerk to ask for extension to response

21/00235 no objection

ACTION CLERK TO RESPOND

13. WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE

14. PARISH MATTERS

Cllr Phillips raised the recent Southern Water tree pruning at Pumping Station Chillenden. Clerk confirmed an email had been sent to DDC Tree Preservation Officer.

Cllr Aldington reported on the funding dispute between Central Government and Open Reach which has delayed the Broad Band service provision. It is not expected to be resolved until August 2021.

Cllrs discussed maintenance of the Millennium Field and options of creation of a wild flower meadow. Chairman asked for item to be placed on next agenda.

15. PUBLIC CONTRIBUTION TIME

No comments

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE MEETING CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC AT 20.55PM

**NEXT MEETING 25TH AUGUST 2021 GOODNESTONE VILLAGE HALL
29TH SEPTEMBER 2021 GOODNESTONE VILLAGE HALL**