

AYLESFORD PARISH COUNCIL

MEETING OF THE COUNCIL

Held at Aylesford Football Club Pavilion, Forstal Road, Aylesford

Tuesday 18 September 2018

Present: Cllrs Shelley (in the Chair), Elvy, Mrs Gadd, Gledhill, Homewood, Ludlow, Rillie, Smith, Wright

In attendance: Mr Harris, Clerk Mrs Collier, Deputy Clerk

Apologies: Cllrs Balcombe, Base, Ms Dorrington, Hammond, Walker, Winnett
Borough Councillor Sullivan

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AGENDA ITEM 1 - Declarations of Interest additional to those contained in the Registry of Members' Interests

47 - There were no Member declarations of interest additional to those contained in the Register of Members Interests.

AGENDA ITEM 2 - Apologies for absence

48 – Cllrs Balcombe (holiday), Base (TMBC meeting), Ms Dorrington (personal engagement), Hammond (TMBC meeting), Walker (TMBC meeting) , Winnett (family commitment).

Apologies and the reasons for their absence were noted and accepted.

AGENDA ITEM 3 – Chairman's Announcements

49 - There were no Chairman's Announcements.

AGENDA ITEM 4 - Adjournment of the meeting to allow for public participation (subject to the limitations of Standing Order 29 d)

50 - There were no members of the public present and the Chairman reopened the meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 5 – Law and Order in the Parish

51. **Tunbury Hall Car Park** – Cllr Shelley reported an incident in the TH car park to which the police were called. The police had asked why the Hall did not have CCTV. Cllr Shelley is looking into this on behalf of the Hall and has requested quotes. Members were supportive of this and it was agreed to consider the matter and possible Parish Council funding assistance at the next ESC meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 6 – **Application for Co-option to Aylesford Parish Council**

52. Application for Co-option to Aylesford Parish Council (Eccles Ward) received from Mr Andrew Kennedy (distributed to all Members and attached at **Appendix A** to the bound copy of these minutes). Mr Kennedy lives outside the Parish in Wouldham but within the required 3 mile limit of the Parish boundary.

It was proposed by Cllr Homewood, seconded Cllr Elvy, that Mr Kennedy be co-opted to the Parish Council and that the Clerk invite Mr Kennedy to make his Declaration of Acceptance of Office at his earliest convenience. **Agreed unanimously. Clerk**

The Clerk confirmed that all Members wishing to stand again as Parish Councillors will be required to seek re-election in May 2019. Noted.

AGENDA ITEM 7 - **To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the Council meeting held on 17 July 2018**

53 - Proposed by Cllr Shelley, seconded Cllr Elvy, as an accurate record of the meetings and actions included to be accepted. **AGREED**

AGENDA ITEM 8 - **Matters Arising from the previous minutes (including those which required Members' action)**

54 - Page 1, 26.4 – Forstal Road Closure 6 August 2018. Work and closure was postponed. New dated awaited.

AGENDA ITEM 9 - **Committee Reports/Minutes: to consider and adopt; to deal with any matters arising**

55 - **Policy and Resources – 7 August 2018**

Proposed by Cllr Shelley, seconded Cllr Elvy as an accurate record of the meeting and actions included to be accepted. **AGREED**

There were no Matters Arising

56 - **Policy and Resources – 4 September 2018**

Proposed by Cllr Shelley, seconded Cllr Gledhill as an accurate record of the meeting and actions included to be accepted,

Matters Arising

56.1 – Page 2, 7. Public Conveniences. Cllr Elvy gave a brief history of local authorities responsibilities relating to provision of public conveniences since 1848 (initially due to the concerns relating to the condition of town streets and gutters). Various other Acts have been introduced since 1848 relating to where they can be provided, which ways doors should face and whether charges can be made. Noted with interest.

57 – Planning – 7 August 2018

Proposed by Cllr Smith, seconded Cllr Mrs Gadd as an accurate record of the meeting and actions included to be accepted. **AGREED**

There were no Matters Arising.

58 - Planning – 4 September 2018

Proposed by Cllr Smith, seconded Cllr Wright as an accurate record of the meeting and actions included to be accepted. **AGREED**

There were no Matters Arising.

59 – Environmental Services – 24 July 2018

Proposed by Cllr Elvy, seconded Cllr Gledhill as an accurate record of the meeting and actions included to be accepted. **AGREED**

There were no Matters Arising

60 – Environmental Services – 28 August 2018

Proposed by Cllr Elvy, seconded Cllr Smith, as an accurate record of the meeting and actions included to be accepted. **AGREED**

Matters Arising

60.1 – Page 1, 1.1 – Parking restriction proposals.

Cllr Ludlow commented that some Eccles residents are continuing to express their concern regarding parking on the Bull Lane ‘curve’ by the recreation ground particularly when football is on and have queried why this area cannot be yellow lined. Cllr Gledhill commented this has always been a bone of contention but there is a view that the parking slows the traffic down.

60.2 – Page 2, 3.2 – BBH Slip road lights

KCC still investigating. Fault may be rain related.

AGENDA ITEM 10 - **To receive the observations of the County Councillor**

61. County Councillor Homewood reported:

61.1 – CC Homewood advised that work is due to commence at Hurst Hill, Walderslade to realign the kerb to allow vehicles to turn without damaging the grass verge. Funded from his Highways Allowance.

61.2 – Councillor Smith asked CC Homewood about progress with larger, clearer signs to solve the continuing problem of HGVs entering BBH village believing it was the route to the A229. CC Homewood advised he understood installation to be imminent.

61.3 – CC Homewood reported that he has held site meetings with residents of the RBL Village concerned about increased ‘rat running’ through Admiral Moore Drive from Hall Road to the A20. He is seeking ways to assist but it will need the co-operation of the RBLI as landowners.

Cllr Shelley thanked CC Homewood for his report.

AGENDA ITEM 11 - **To receive the observations of the Borough Councillors**

No Borough Councillors were present this evening.

AGENDA ITEM 12 - **Accounts for Payment**

62 - Payment list distributed to all Members and attached at **Appendix B** to these minutes.

24 payments totalling £8017.39 were checked and proposed for payment by Cllr Shelley, seconded Cllr Elvy. **AGREED**

AGENDA ITEM 13 - **To consider any other items of correspondence/Any Other Business**

63.1 – **Street Naming at Former Aylesford Business Centre**

Names suggested by developer are: Wendover Mews, Bakers Mews or Llandaff Mews.

Members supported ‘Bakers’ as the site was formerly occupied by Patchells Bakery. However they would prefer the use of ‘Yard’ rather than ‘Mews’ as Mews historically relates to the housing of hawks and horses, neither of which have been on the site. They would also wish to see the inclusion of ‘High Street’ in the full address. Comments to be passed to TMBC. **Clerk**

63.2 – **A20/Hall Road/Mills Road junction.** Resurfacing to be carried out over 4 nights with road closure commencing 5 October 2018.

63.3 – **155 Bus Service**

Cllrs Gledhill and Ludlow reported on continued problems with this service particularly in the evening. Timetable and route changes have not been advertised, printed timetables and website do not co-ordinate.

The Clerk confirmed that all complaints reported to the Parish Council are forwarded to CC Homewood, BC Davies and Tracey Crouch MP.

63.4 – **Doctor Surgeries**

Cllr Ludlow asked for Members views on the consultation advertised in the Burham surgery relating to amalgamating village surgeries into a new medical facility at Peters

Village. Cllr Gledhill responded that he had spoken to a Doctor at the Eccles surgery who advised there were no plans for this in the foreseeable future.

63.5 – M20 Closure Junctions 4 – 6

Following the closure last weekend for the removal of the Teapot Lane footbridge, there are plans to close it again weekend 9 – 11 November to rebuild the bridge. Concerns have been raised that this will be Remembrance Weekend and there will be numerous other local road closures for remembrance ceremonies. To be raised with Highways England and their contractors Kiers.

AGENDA ITEM 14 - Chairman to move that: ‘The press and public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting as publicity for any confidential aspects of the business identified in agenda items 1 – 12 above would be likely to prejudice the public interest.’

64 - There were no confidential items of business.

AGENDA ITEM 15 - Closure of the meeting

There being no further items of business, meeting closed at 8.30pm.