



**A meeting of the Parish Council held in
The Village Hall, Northiam at
7-00 pm on Thurs 10th MAY 2018**

MINUTES

1) APOLOGIES:

Cllr Pratt; Dist Cllrs Mooney & Jenkins

2) ATTENDEES:

Cty Cllr Davies (AD); Cllrs Sargent (PS), Farmer (PF), Johnson (DJ), Sitford (GS), Maltby (RM), Streatfeild (JS), Harding (JH) & Wontner-Smith. Three members of the public.

3) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

Northiam Parish Council - War Memorial application ref 8 a)

4) ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS -

There were none

5) REPRESENTATIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC: - Maximum of 15 minutes

There was a query about the recent fencing of the Muddy Duck; PS presumed this was as a result of the enforcement notice recently issued by RDC. JS to speak to the owner

Action JS

6) MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS OF 12th APRIL 2018:

Approved, signed and adopted.

7) REPORTS BY PARISH, COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCILLORS:

PS reported on recent meetings with RDC regarding the surgery car park and the upcoming meeting with representatives of the Blue Cross. The report on the Football pitch has been received from the FA with their recommendations.

AWS reported on his correspondence with the Police, a copy of their reply will be circulated and attached to the Minute Book.

AD reported on personnel changes at ESCC and that the A268 will be resurfaced as from 29th May which will result in overnight closures for seven days. There is a new product for infilling potholes being tested.

PF advised the overflowing Dog waste bin at Goddens Gill; the grass at Monks Way needs cutting; there is a bad pot-hole in Cavix Field; she also asked for a circular letter regarding "Cold Calling" to the residents at Goddens Close & Ghyllside, it was resolved to start the procedure.

8) PLANNING:

- a) RR/2018/935/P - Village Green - War Memorial works - **No comment**
- b) RR/2018/508/P - Ivy Lodge, Station Rd., - re-application re: new build - **Objections already submitted**
- c) RR/2018/904/L - The Old Granary, Station Rd., - alterations to windows etc - **No objections**
- d) RR/2018/964/P - 19 Ghyllside Rd., - Loft conversion. - **No objections**
- e) RR/2018/971/P - Quickbourne Cott. - New barn for livestock & feed. - **No objections**
- f) RR/2018/1058/P - Three Chimneys, Station Rd., - variation. - **No objections**
- g) RR/2018/790/P - 2 Millfield Cott., Beacon Lane - extension. - **No objections**
- h) RR/2018/807/L - Silverden Manor, Church Lane - replace garage doors. - **No objections**

9) ALL PLANNING DECISIONS HAVE BEEN PREVIOUSLY CIRCULATED TO COUNCILLORS:

10) **OTHER PLANNING MATTERS :**

See item 5 above

11) **VILLAGE MATTERS:**

- a) Surgery Car Park - PS supplied background information and considerable discussion ensued. It was resolved the Clerk to organise another meeting with the surgery.

Action Clerk

12) **CORRESPONDENCE OTHER THAN THAT ALREADY CIRCULATED:**

13) **FINANCE:**

All financial information has been previously circulated to all Councillors & will be available on the web site once audit is complete.

14) **FINANCE, OTHER MATTERS:**

- a) Cemetery Fees - It was resolved to enact the increase of twenty per cent recommended by Finance sub-committee
- b) Loan application - it was resolved to seek approval from the Secretary of State for Communities to apply for a loan of up to £2,000, 000, repayable over fifty years, for the purpose of trying to buy the Blue Cross site.
- c) Village Hall. - As we are not legally empowered to provide a loan it has been suggested to the Trustees that a tri-partite funding be implemented; we await their revised proposal.
- d) Deposit account with Unity Trust. - It was resolved we open a deposit account with this bank.
- e) Village Club rent - Standing Order? - It was resolved the Clerk will make the necessary arrangements

15) **CHEQUES FOR SIGNATURE:**

The following transactions were agreed:

Payee	Amount	Cheque No
S A L C (subs)	664-36	639
NVHT (CAB room hire)	270-00	640
Royal Mail (reply service)	209-75	641
Clerk (salary)	1235-99	642
Spar (A P M refreshmts)	129-89	643

Credits

Stackhouse Poland	Insurance excess refund	£250-00
Allotment Soc'y	water supply	£21-45
HMRC	VAT refund	£3,268-51

Direct Debits

S E Water (cemetery)	15 May	£23-12
S E Water (allotments)	15 May	£21-45
B T Plc (phone)	2 May	£97-82
G C I (Broadband)	10 May	£20-41

There being no further business the meeting closed at 20:20



Cllr. Peter Sargent, Chairman, Northiam Parish Council