

## **BODIAM PARISH COUNCIL**

### **The minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 19 October 2015 at 7.00 p.m. in Bodiam Parish Room**

#### **Present:**

Councillor Geoffrey Goodsell (Chairman)  
Councillor Richard Mitchell  
Councillor Barbara Napper  
Councillor Janet Gardner

#### **In attendance:**

Mrs V Davies (clerk)  
ESCC Councillor Angharad Davies  
James Doran – Hope Farm

1 Member of the Public

#### **135/2015 Apologies for Absence were accepted from:**

Councillor Graham Peters, RDC Councillor Graham Browne, RDC Councillor Sue Prochak

#### **136/2015. Disclosure of Interests**

- Councillor Gardner declared an interest as co-ordinator for the Poppy appeal
- Councillor Goodsell declared an interest as he is related to the contractor quoting for the War Memorial
- Councillor Goodsell declared an interest as he is a School Governor at Bodiam Primary School
- Councillor Goodsell declared an interest as he had previously delivered goods to Senlac.
- Councillor Mitchell declared an interest as he is acquainted with the Chairman of the Senlac Car Show Organising Committee.
- Councillor Napper declared an interest as a member of the National Trust Committee
- Councillor Gardner declared an interest as she is employed by the National Trust.

#### **137/2015. To approve the minutes of the previous meeting.**

The minutes of the meeting held on 21.9.15 had been previously circulated. The minutes were signed by Councillor Goodsell as a correct record of the proceedings.

#### **138/2015/. Meetings Attended by the Chairman and other Councillors**

Councillor Goodsell had attended the following meetings:-

- Amicus Horizon
- Senlac supper to receive cheque for Bodiam Friends
- Meeting with PCSO Georghiou
- Councillor Gardner had met with Liz Moore from the Parish News.

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**139/2015 Crime and Disorder**

PCSO Georghiou had sent his apologies. There were no incidents to report.

**Councillor Goodsell opened the meeting for the Public Participation.** Mr Doran from Hope Farm, Peasmarsh spoke about a loneliness project. An environment would be created for the elderly to visit. Local schools would also get involved with the project. **There being no further business the meeting was closed for Public Participation.**

**140/2015 – Planning Applications**

**Reports**

RR/2015/1736/P - 24 Levetts Lane, Bodiam TN32 5UL - Single storey extension to the side of the existing dwelling replacing existing outbuilding. New front entrance porch. – Approved Conditional.

RR/2015/1754/P - 2 & 3 The Peaks, Castle Road, Bodiam TN32 5UU - Single storey rear extension and Front entrance porch proposed to Little Foxes (3 The Peaks) together with proposed off road parking bay to serve 2 The Peaks. – Refused.

RR/2015/1985/P - Spring Farm, Northlands, Bodiam TN32 5UX - Change of use from B&B to residential. – Approved conditional.

**141/2015 – Trees and Footpaths**

There was no report.

**142/2015 - Bodiam Parish Council**

**a) Poppy Appeal**

Councillor Gardner is the local co-ordinator for the Poppy Appeal. Static displays would be in place at Westridge, Bodiam Primary School, National Trust, Bodiam Pre School, Claremont Senior School and Bodiam Castle Inn. Door to door collections would also take place.

Wreaths would be laid at the Remembrance Service by the Parish Council, Bodiam Primary School, Claremont School, and St Giles Church.

**b) Boundary Commission**

This would be competed at the next Parish Council Meeting

**c) Parish Assembly**

The Parish Assembly would take place on 17 March 2016. Councillor Goodsell booked the hall at Bodiam Primary school. This was booked on 28.9.15.

**143/2015 - Rother District Council**

Councillor Prochak had forwarded information regarding the Boundary Review.

**144/2015- East Sussex County council**

The maps of the grass cutting had been sent to the clerk showing the areas which were cut by ESCC. Councillors remained concerned that the verges had still not been cut, in particular Peters Green Road.

Resolution:-

Councillor Goodsell and Councillor Gardner would take photographs of the hedgerows which required cutting. The Clerk would then send the photographs to Highways Department.

ESSC were conducting a comprehensive spending review. £23million was needed to be saved in the next year.

A Government backed initiative had been started to assist small businesses. In addition ESCC had run a campaign to create apprenticeships in East Sussex.

**145/2015 - Recreation Ground**

- a) The donated replacement Kitchen was almost completed. Discussion took place regarding including an article and photographs in the Parish News.
- External Electricity Point. A quotation for £195 plus VAT had been received.

Resolution

The parish council approved the quotation.

- b) Bookings: Senlac, Bodiam Cricket Club, Sandhurst Football Club. National Trust. The grass cutting contractor had been informed of all the dates of the bookings. The Parish Council agreed to the booking for Senlac at a cost of £650.

Discussion took place regarding the issue of tyre track marks which were evident in front of the Pavilion and round the sides of the seats.

Resolution:

Clerk to contact Westridge and Hurst Green football clubs requesting them to ensure that no cars drive in front of the pavilion. All cars must be parked behind the pavilion.

**146/2015 Finances**

- a) To receive RFO report and balances –  
The monthly financial reports and balances were presented.  
Balances: Current and Deposit accounts as of 12.10.15: £17,499.69 outstanding cheques: £121.80. Councillor Napper verified the statements and balances. Councillor Goodsell scrutinized the invoices and vouchers. Cheques were signed by Councillor Goodsell and Councillor Gardner.

**b) To authorise payments and note receipts  
Receipts**

<b>25.9.15</b>	Rother DC (Precept)	£4,412.50
<b>6.10.15</b>	Sandhurst FC	£90.00
<b>6.10.15</b>	Westridge FC	£30.00

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**Payments****Cheques for payment**

CHEQ NO	PAYEE	AMOUNT	DESCRIPTION	
1634	V Davies	£269.60	Clerk Salary	S151, 112
1635	Inland Revenue	£7.60	Clerk Tax	S151, 112
1636	V Davies	£26.56	Clerk Expenses	S111

**147/2015. Dates of future meetings 9 November.**

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 8.15 pm.

Signed ..... Date .....