

BODIAM PARISH COUNCIL

The minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 19 June 2017 at 7.00 p.m. in Bodiam Parish Room

Present:

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

In attendance:

Mrs V Davies (clerk),
ESCC Councillor Angharad Davies

71/2017 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from, , RDC Councillor Graham Browne, Councillor Graham Peters

No members of the public

72/2017 - Disclosure of interests

Councillor Napper declared an interest as a member of the Bodiam National Trust Local Committee
Councillor Goodsell declared an interest as he acquainted with members of Senlac.
Councillor Goodsell declared an interest with conquest Hospital and the MP visit to Bodiam
Councillor Mitchell declared an interest as he was acquainted with the Senlac organiser.
Councillor Goodsell declared an interest as he is acquainted with Huw Merriman the MP.
Councillor Gardner declared an interest as she works for the National Trust.

73/2017 - Meetings Attended by Councillors

Councillor Gardner had met with Rebecca McCormick from Primary School PTA

Councillor Goodsell had attended the following meetings: -

- Transport Meeting
- Senlac Car show.

75/2017. To approve the minutes of the previous meeting.

The minutes of the meeting held on 15.5.17 had been previously circulated. The minutes were signed by Councillor Goodsell as a correct record of the proceedings.

Signed Date

There were no members of the public present so Councillor Goodsell did not open the meeting for public participation.

76/2017 – Crime and Disorder

Vans had been broken into in Levetts Lane. There had been a report of Children in the Claremont School at 3.15 am but it turned out that this was a 24 hour planned event.

77/2017 - Planning Applications

[RR/2017/1111/P](#) - 7 Northlands, Bodiam - Demolition of garage and outbuilding. Proposed two storey and single storey side extension

The Parish Council had no objections to the application providing the materials were in keeping with the remainder of the building. Bodiam is a dark village and any lighting should be minimal.

Reports

RR2017/533P - Park Farm Oast – Erection of two holiday let tree house. - Refused

78/2017 – Trees and Footpaths

There was no report.

79/2017 - Bodiam Parish Council

- a) Seddlescombe FC – Request to use recreation ground

Seddlescombe FC had requested to use the recreation ground for a series of matches. The Parish council approved the booking.

- b) **Defibrillator**

Senlac had offered the defibrillator free of charge. This was progressing. This would be placed at the school.

First aid training would be organized for the village.

The National Trust would provide a defibrillator by the disabled toilets and the Parish council would pay for the case.

Resolution:

Clerk to contact Dave Miles from Senlac.

- c) **Senlac Car Show**

The traffic situation had improved. Councillor Goodsell and the clerk would meet with Dave Miles, the organizer.

d) MP (Huw Merriman) visit to Bodiam

This would take place on 30 June.

A schedule had been arranged. A letter had been written to the Business Park owners to try to arrange for a visit to the Business Park.

e) War Memorial

There was an issue as A Geo cash box had been placed behind the war memorial.

Action: clerk to raise the issue with SALC.

80/2017 - Rother District Council

The scrutiny committee was now smaller.

Joint Waste Committee. The contract with Kier would finish in 2019.

81/2017 - East Sussex County Council

Progress of broadband. There had been a scrutiny review about the slow broadband. Two contracts at the end of that there would be 98% coverage.

82/2017 - Recreation Ground

a) Changing rooms and general upkeep inspection and security.

- The window had been replaced in the Pavilion.
- There had been issues with the grass cutting on the village green. The contractors had resolved the issue.

Bodiam Primary School PTA had requested to use the recreation group for a Fun Day on 8 July 2017. It would be free of charge but a hiring form must be completed. The key must be returned to the Castle Inn.

There were a number of fixtures for Bodiam Cricket Club at the recreation ground.

There would be a wedding at the Castle Inn Public House. The Castle Inn have asked about the vehicles being parked on the recreation ground. There is no current policy for the recreation ground to be used for parking.

Resolution:

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Clerk to contact the Castle Inn to refuse the request.

There were issues with the locks at the Pavilion.

Resolution:

Councillor Mitchell to contact the locksmith.

83/2017 Finances

a) **To receive RFO report and balances –**

The monthly financial reports and balances were presented.

Balances: Current and Deposit accounts as of 5.6.17: £18,633.22 outstanding cheques: £0. Councillor Goodsell scrutinized the invoices and vouchers.

Cheques were signed by Councillor Goodsell and Councillor Gardner. Councillor Napper verified the statements.

c) **To authorise payments and note receipts**

Receipts

16.5.17 – HMRC VAT repayment - £485.24

Payments

CHEQ NO	PAYEE	AMOUNT		DESCRIPTION
1754	T Barratt	162	Internal Audit	S21(6)
1755	Croft Glass	£56.68	Pavilion repairs	S44
1757	Zurich	£648.71	Insurance	S111, 143, 114
1758	EDF energy	£50.97	Electricity	S44
1759	V Davies	£295.72	Clerk salary	S151, 112 (1)
1760	Inland Revenue	£10.60	Clerk Tax	S151, 112 (1)
1761	V Davies	£6.50	Clerk Expenses	S111
			Refreshments MP	
1762	Castle Inn	£90.00	Visit	S111

84/2017. Dates of future meetings 24 July. There being no further business, the Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 20.10.

Signed Date