

BODIAM PARISH COUNCIL

The minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 22 June 2015 at 7.00 p.m. in Bodiam Parish Room

Present:

Councillor Geoffrey Goodsell (Chairman)

Councillor Graham Peters

Councillor Richard Mitchell

Councillor Barbara Napper

Councillor Janet Gardner

In attendance:

Mrs V Davies (clerk)

PCSO Georghiou

RDC Graham Browne

RDC Sue Prochak

ESCC Councillor Angharad Davies

1 Member of the public was present

83/2015 Apologies for Absence were accepted from:

There were no apologies.

84/2015. Disclosure of Interests

- Councillor Goodsell declared at interest as he was related to the contractor quoting for the War Memorial
- 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 Peters declared an interest as the Chairman of Parker Ashcombe Trust
- Councillor Gardner declared an interest as she was employed by the National Trust

85/2015. To approve the minutes of the previous meeting.

The minutes of the meeting held on 18.5.15 had been previously circulated. The minutes were signed by Councillor Goodsell as a correct record of the proceedings.

86/2015. To appoint Councillors to all areas.

Representatives to RALC

Councillor G Peters/
Councillor R Mitchell

Representative to SALC

Councillor for community safety

Councillor Barbara Napper

Councillor with responsibility for Recreation Ground

Councillors agreed to sign a long term agreement with Zurich until 2020 at a premium of £588.90

- b) **War Memorial.** The work for the war memorial was awaited.
- c) **Salehurst Local Plan.**
Bodiam Parish Council had no comments.
- d) **Senlac Car Show**
The car show had been very successful. A post event meeting would take place with David Miles from Senlac.
- e) **Pathway from Castle Inn to Primary School**
Discussion took place regarding overgrown hedge on the pathway.
Resolution
The Clerk would write to landowners requesting them to cut the hedgerow.
- f) **Parish News**
Discussion took place regarding the Parish Council submitting articles in the Parish News.
Resolution
Councillor Gardner would submit articles on behalf of the Parish Council to the Parish News.
- g) **Clerk Sponsorship.** The Parish clerk had completed a half marathon in aid of Cancer Research. No council money will go to sponsorship. Any sponsorship was individually obtained.
- h) **Future Expenditure**
Due to the large credit balance discussion took place regarding future expenditure.
 - The following were suggested:-
 - Brasses on War Memorial
 - Benches on the Recreation Ground
 - Bus Shelter
 - Replacing the kitchen in the pavilion

This item would be discussed at a future meeting.

i) List of village activities/Groups

Discussion took place regarding mapping the village activities
Resolution.

Councillors to list the village activities and groups of which they are aware for discussion at the next meeting.

92/2015 - Rother District Council

Discussion took place regarding a boundary review. Consultation was taking place regarding the Statement of Community Involvement.

Resolution:

Clerk to circulate consultation.

93/2015- East Sussex County council

ESCC Davies reported that resurfacing had taken place of A268 Beckley to Peasmarsh. Since 2010 £50m had been invested in roads. Further investment of £50m would take place before 2017.

The parish was awaiting cutting of the verges. ESCC Angharad Davies would contact the highway steward regarding this issue.

Councillor Goodsell opened the meeting for public participation. There being no questions raised Councillor Goodsell closed the meeting for public participation.

94/2015 - Recreation Ground

- a) Changing rooms: general up-keep, inspections and security. Three windows had been replaced by Croft Glass. In addition the balcony on the pavilion had been repaired.
- b) Bookings: Senlac, Bodiam Cricket Club. National Trust. The grass cutting contractor had been informed of all the dates of the bookings. Discussion took place regarding advertising hire of the recreation ground in the Parish News and Battle Observer.
- c) Locks on Pavilion Doors. One of the keys was working.

95/2015 Finances

- a) To receive RFO report and balances –
The monthly financial reports and balances were presented.
Balances: Current and Deposit accounts as of 12.6.15: £17,580.35 outstanding cheques: £272. Councillor Peters verified the statements and balances.
Councillor Goodsell scrutinized the invoices and vouchers. Cheques were signed by Councillor Goodsell and Councillor Napper.

b) To authorise payments and note receipts

1605 Croft Class	£818.80	Windows Pavilion	S44
1606 EDF	£39.47	Electricity Pavilion	S44
1607 V Davies	£222.80	Clerk Salary	S151 112(1)
1608 Inland Revenue	£54.40	Clerk Tax	S151 112(1)
1609 Rother District Council	£117.35	Election Expenses	S111
1610 V Davies	£14.00	Clerk Expenses	S143
1612 P Marsh	£25.50	Caretaking	S44
1613 Zurich	£588.90	Insurance	S111, 143, 114

95/2015. Dates of future meetings 20 July 2015.

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 8.00 pm.