

BODIAM PARISH COUNCIL

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Please note these are draft minutes until formally approved at the next Parish Council Meeting.

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on 20th Sept 2021 at 7.00pm at The Mezzanine, Court Lodge Farm, Bodiam TN32 5UJ

Present:

Bodiam Parish Council: Councillors, Chairman Richard Mitchell, Linda Stevens, Graham Peters, Barbara Napper and Michael Weddle
East Sussex County Council: Councillor P Redstone
 In Attendance: Clerk Christine Burgess, 1 member of the public

93/2021 Apologies for Absence: RD Cllr T Ganly, RD Cllr M Mooney

94/2021 Disclosure of Interests:

Cllr L Stevens declared an interest as a Member of the National Trust	85/2021
Cllr Napper declared an interest as a Member of the National Trust	85/2021
Cllr G Peters declared an interest as a Member of the National Trust	85/2021
and an acquaintance of Mr John Lovering.	84b/2021
Cllr Peters is also acquainted with the owners of Lower Northlands	82c/2021
Cllr M Weddle declared an interest as a Member of the National Trust	85/2021
and rents a small plot of land from Mr John Lovering	84b/2021

95/2021 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 26th July 2021 which had been previously distributed, were approved and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

96/2021 Matters Arising

There is still an overhanging bush between Claremont School and the Primary School, which is blocking the pavement.

Clerk to ring Claremont School

97/2021 Councillors Meetings with Outside Bodies

None

98/2021 ESCC Report

Councillors had received the previously circulated report from ESCC. Full report can be read on the Bodiam Website. ESC Cllr Redstone is in contact with the Primary School and is in the process of setting up a meeting with the Head master and the School Business Manager to discuss the lay-by.

Cllr Stevens reported an abandoned van in the lay-by on the Bodiam Road, it has been reported to the Police, but nothing had been done as yet. The tax has run out when checked on line. ESC Cllr Redstone recommended reporting to Rother District Council and ESCC.

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82/2021 Planning**Applications**

(a) RR/2021/1231/P 8 Castle Hurst, Bodiam TN32 5UW Convert current garage with addition of bay window to front. Erect 2 bay garage building with log store and associated driveway alterations. **supported**

(b) RR/2021/1442/P 12 Levetts Lane, Bodiam TN32 5UL Proposed erection of a single storey rear extension, demolition of existing covered storage rooms and erection of a single storey side extension, construction of dormer windows to front and rear elevations to match existing, new front porch and new lower decking to replace existing. **supported**

(c) RR/2021/1744/P and RR/2021/1745/L Lower Northlands Farm, Lower Northlands, Bodiam TN32 5UN Single storey timber garden room. **supported**

(d) RR/2021/1609/P Bodiam Business Centre - Land at, Junction Road, Bodiam TN32 5UW Erection of 4no 3-bedroom terraced dwellings together with associated car parking and landscaping **supported**

Decisions

(a) RR/2021/64P 2 Hunters Lodge, Bodiam-Single storey rear extension and re-location of timber shed. **Permission granted with conditions**

(b) RR/2021/194/P Park Farm Oast, Bodiam. Erection of an external staircase and balcony/veranda, construction of an overhanging roof entrance feature, new entrance doors at first floor level, changes to the previously approved elevations, comprising vertical timber boarding, amendments to the elevations to involve additional windows and enclosure of a previous opening and the surfacing of a track in permeable material. (Retrospective) **Permission Refused**

Enforcements

ENF/290/21/BOD, ENF/291/21/BOD, ENF/295/21/BOD 5 Northlands, Bodiam
Extension of garden onto agricultural Land with the AONB.

Decision from Enforcements: No Further Action to be taken.

83/2021 Rother District Council Report

Councillors had received the previously circulated report from Rother District Council
Full report on the Bodiam Website.

84/2021 Environment:**(a) School Car parking**

ESC Cllr will be arranging a meeting with school regarding the lay-by – Clerk to email ESC Cllr Redstone for invite for date and time for Bodiam Councillors.

(b) Woodland Proposal

The council are waiting to hear back from John Tucker re the planting on the Recreation Ground

(c) Finger Sign

Cllr Mitchell has been in touch with the Contractor, there has been a delay nationwide in timber supplies and getting hold of the oak for the sign post has been difficult. A supply of oak has now come through and it should not be too much longer before work can commence.

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85/2021 National Trust

Work has now started on the Settlement Tanks and new fat traps are to be fitted at the Castle Inn. The 3 Containers are still on site and have permission until the 31st December 2021.

86/2021 Trees and Footpaths

The trees reported to ESCC after the last meeting have been cut back as requested. The right-hand side of the footpath towards the Green requires some cutting back.

87/2021 Councillor Vacancy

Councillor Mitchell has given notice that his final meeting will be December 13th when he will officially resign. Electoral Services at Rother District Council to be notified by Clerk and a casual vacancy will be advertised at the appropriate time. Details will be advertised on the notice boards and on the Website.

88/2021 Crime and Disorder

Police have been called out a couple of times to the Castle Inn, to deal with a disturbance. and are keeping an eye on the situation.

89/2021 Recreation Ground

- (a) **Upkeep and Inspection** –Has been inspected regularly – nothing to note
- (b) **Bookings** - none

90/2021 Finances**(a) Receipts**

Date	From whom Received	Particulars	£
19/07/2021	H Fulker	Storage	40.00
30/07/2021	Nat West Bank	Deposit A/C Interest	0.02
10/08/2021	H Fulker	Storage	40.00
20/08/2021	A Kerry	Rec Ground Hire	10.00
27/08/2021	Rother D C	Precept 2 nd Instalment	5,275.00
31/08/2021	Nat West Bank	Deposit A/C Interest	0.03

(b) Payments (signed previously under delegated powers)

Date	Payee	Particulars	£
16/08/2021	Commercial Trading Services	Grass Mowing	1,094.20
16/08/2021	RALC	Subs	75.00
16/08/2021	C Burgess	Clerk RFO Salary	442.40
Cheques signed this Evening			
20/09/2021	C Burgess	Clerk RFO Salary	553.00

(c) Monthly Finance Report

The Clerk/RFO presented the Bank Statements with the Bank Reconciliation and Financial Report, which were signed by the Chair. Cheques were signed by the Councillors.

91/2021 RBL Wreath

Clerk to order and pay for wreath, to be delivered to Cllr Mitchell for Remembrance Sunday.

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92/2021 **Date of Next Meetings** –The Mezzanine, Court Lodge Farm, Bodiam
18th October 2021, 15th November, 13th December

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 8.05p.m.

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