

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 18th July 2022 at 6.30pm at the Parish Room, Bodiam TN32 5UJ

Present:

For Bodiam Parish Council: Councillors: - (Chairman) Linda Stevens, Graham Peters, Mike Weddle, Darren Page

For ESCC: Cllr P Redstone

For RDC: Cllr T Ganley

In attendance: Clerk Christine Burgess. PCSO C

127/2022 Apologies for Absence -Cllr Napper and RDC Cllr M Mooney

128/2022 Disclosure of Interests

Cllr Peters declared an interest as the Chairman of the Parker & Ashcombe Trust.

129/2022 Minutes of Meeting 20th June 2022

The minutes, which had previously been distributed were approved and signed by the Chairman as a true record

130/2022 Matters Arising- None

131/2022 Public Questions- None

132/2022 Councillors Meetings with Outside Bodies

Members of Senlac met with Cllr Stevens, Cllr Page and the Clerk with the intention of bringing back the car show to the Recreation Ground next year. Next year's event will be much smaller than in previous years and issues re parking can hopefully be sorted out. Permission will be sought to open the top gate on the Recreation Ground prior to agreement.

133/2022 Crime and Disorder

PCSO Chloe Cameron was able to join our meeting this evening.

Previously residents had reported boys using e scooters and tonight PCSO Cameron was able to explain the legislation to the boys and issued an official warning regarding the use of such vehicles.

(It is illegal to e scooters on pavements, cycle lanes or in pedestrianised areas, so you would only be able to use a scooter on your own private property. The exception is that in certain areas you can hire an e scooter. To rent an e-scooter you must: be at least 16 years old and hold the correct driving licence also create an account with the rental company).

The next time it happens they were warned that the scooter would be seized and in order to prevent the Scooter being disposed of there would be a fine of £180 plus and their parents (Mum or Dad) would need to sign a waiver to say they would not use them again on a public road or pavement.

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PCSO's patrol Bodiam regularly and if there are any complaints reported these areas will be targeted. Report a non-emergency on-line (the best way) or by phone 101 to your local police force. Always dial 999 in an emergency Please report, because unless they are notified the problem can't be solved.

The Pavilion has become a problem area recently, windows have been broken and graffitied, there was a brick found with blood on, so obviously someone injured themselves in the process.

Fly tipping has also become a problem and can be reported on the Rother District Council website.

If a crime is in progress, ring 999 whether it be fly tipping or someone breaking windows.

A Community Resolution Order can be given when the perpetrator is known.

A Community Resolution provides the police with an effective way for dealing with low level crime. It is a good way of dealing with first time offenders where genuine remorse has been expressed and where the victims have agreed that they do not want the police to take more formal action. The Community can decide what they want to happen; e.g. cleaning up graffiti, or paying for a broken window i.e. restorative justice.

St Giles Church will also be included on the patrols.

134/2022 ESCC Report

Councillors have received the previously circulated report from ESCC. Full report can be read on the Bodiam Website.

School car parking: Due to the change of Headmaster at the Primary School there is nothing further to report at this time.

Bus Service: The bus service improvement plan is progressing. ESCC has 10.5 million pounds as a government grant for supporting current services, which may include more buses in the evenings and week-ends. Also 2 million pounds for the timetable app.

135/2022 RDC Report

Councillors have received the previously circulated report from RDC. Full report can be read on the Bodiam Website.

RDC Councillor Ganly attended a 1 hour briefing regarding the plan for the Town Hall at Bexhill and is concerned that there has been as yet no cost analysis completed.

136/2022 Planning

Applications

RR/2022/1527/P Knowle Hill Cottages, 5 Knowle Hill, Bodiam TN32 5EZ

Proposed alterations and improvements to dwelling. **Support with lighting Statement**

RR/2022/1524/P Kitchenham Farmhouse, Peters Green Road, Bodiam TN32 5UN Single storey side extension. **Support with lighting statement**

Decisions

RR/2022/1195/P BODIAM, 31 Levetts Lane, Bodiam TN32 5UL Application to modify or discharge a Planning Obligation (Sec. 106A) relating to RR/93/0780/P for the purchase of a shared ownership home. **Permission granted with conditions**

137/2022 Village Emergency Plan

To be carried forward to the next meeting

138/2022 Environment

Queens Green Canopy-Tree Planting to commemorate the Queens platinum Jubilee

Tree to be planted in October, possibly an Oak and hopefully the Bodiam primary school could be involved and a time capsule to be buried underneath the tree.

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Ice House, Parker Ashcombe Trust

Work is about to start on the Ice house and volunteers are required to assist the archaeologist

National Trust- Village Green Application

To be carried forward to the next meeting, there is no resolution as yet.

139/2022 Trees and Footpaths

BOD16/3 footpath is overgrown and causing a problem, Landowner to be contacted to clear.

140/2022 Recreation Ground

(a) Upkeep and Inspection – Has been inspected and cleaned recently. Warning on door re broken glass. Although the Pavilion has been thoroughly cleaned, we cannot guarantee total safety. Users to be careful of any possible minute pieces of glass.

(b) Bookings –Sedlescombe Rangers Juniors practice, 1 night per week

(c) Future Strategy for the Pavilion, A feasibility study may be funded by the CIL payment and Passmores to be contacted re possible alterations.

141/2022 Finances**(a) Receipts**

Date	From whom Received	Particulars	£
30.06.2022	Nat West Bank	Deposit A/C Interest	0.24

(b) Payments

CHQ no	Payee	Description	£
2031	Commercial Services Trading Ltd	Grass Mowing	1583.66
2032	C Burgess	Clerk RFO Salary +arrears	571.43

(c) Monthly Finance Report

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

142/2022 Information for Councillors -

For the next Agenda: - Emergency plan for the village to be discussed. Queens Green Canopy, School Parking.

143/2022 Date of Next Meeting

Monday 26th September 2022, 6.30pm, in the Bodiam Parish Room

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

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