

## HURST GREEN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held in Hurst Green Village Hall on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2018 starting at 8:00pm.

**Present:-** Councillor Browne (Chair), Councillor Brown, Councillor Janes, Councillor Johnson, Councillor Price, Councillor Wright, County Councillor Barnes and District Councillor Prochak. The Clerk and three members of the public were in attendance.

**1.0 Apologies for Absence:** - Councillor Duddridge (*unknown*), Councillor Kenchington (*unknown*), and David Hilbourne, RFO (*unwell*).

### **2.0 Minutes of the last meeting: -**

To sign as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on the Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> September 2018

*Councillor Barnes noted that he was unable to attend the last meeting due to a clash of meetings. Subject to the above changes,*

**Minutes proposed by Councillor Janes and seconded by Councillor Price.**

**3.0 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**, *in accordance with the Members' Code of Conduct: to receive any disclosure by Members of personal interests in matters on the agenda, the nature of any interest and whether the member regards the interest as prejudicial under the terms of the Code of Conduct.*

Councillor Browne declared an interest in agenda item 8.2, RR/2018/2622/P Sweethayes Farm and RR/2018/2365/P (Planters) as he has done work for both parties.

**3.1 APPLICATIONS FOR DISPENSATION** – *to consider written requests from Members for Dispensation and to consider the length of time the dispensation should be granted for i.e. as a one-off relating to a matter on this agenda, or ongoing for a set period and relating to any agenda within that period.*

None received.

### **4.0 Applications for filling the Council vacancy via co-opting.**

No more interested parties have contacted the Council re this.

### **5.0 Community Activities and reports: -**

#### **5.1 Resolution to support the purchase of extra dog waste bin (Cllr. Johnson).**

Councillor Johnson reported that residents have requested an additional Dog Waste Bin off of Coronation Gardens near where the garages join the footpath into Burgh Wood.

Councillor Johnson proposed the motion and was seconded by Councillor Browne.

This resolution was **unanimously supported**.

#### **5.2 Neighbourhood Plan, progress report and to pass any necessary resolutions (Cllrs. Brown & Wright)**

Councillor Brown gave the report and thanked both Rother Councillors for their support and commitment which led to Hurst Green being removed from the DaSA

Councillor Browne thanked Councillors' Brown and Wright for all their background work without which this would not have been achieved.

A Housing Needs Assessment is being commissioned at zero cost to the Council.

Millwood Homes have removed their interest in the Foundry Close site therefore the landowners are now working with the Neighborhood Plan group.

A consultant still needs to be commissioned and Feria will revise their costings due to the progress already made by the Steering Group.

5.3 WW1 centenary event in Stage Field – to support any resolutions needed for this event and in particular provision of a portaloos (Cllr Janes)

Councillor Janes gave his report and details of the proposed event.

A Risk Assessment has been done and the Clerk will liaise with the RFO, David Hilbourne to make sure the insurance is covered.

Councillor Janes has extensively investigated the best deal for two portaloos which came in at around £170. He will continue to see if a better deal is available but if not, it was proposed to go ahead with this. Councillor Johnson proposed this motion and was seconded by Councillor Browne.

This resolution was **unanimously supported**.

5.4 Clerk's report – circulated

Report previously circulated by email. No questions rec'd.

Clerk noted the importance of getting local support in writing for the new entrance to Stage Field for funding bid.

6.0 **Parish Council Matters**

6.1 Email Policy - Discussion of the proposed new draft policy for feedback (Cllr. Brown)

Discussed and agreed to postponed to the January meeting.

6.2 Report from Councillor Brown on proposals for new telephone system.

A headset has been purchased and now need to set up a trial. Clerk to action with Councillor Brown.

7.0 **TRANSPORT, ROADS & FOOTPATHS**

7.1 Community Speedwatch Initiative report

Councillor Price reported in Councillor Kenchington's absence that more interested residents have come forward to be involved with this project.

7.2 Meeting with Huw Merriman re A21 feedback

Councillor Browne reported that it was a useful meeting and appreciated Huw Merriman's attendance but a lot more needs to be done. Whilst a lot is being talked about there is yet to be any firm commitment.

Councillor Price has been researching traffic surveys and feels that a more in depth detailed survey is needed. A provisional quote of £630 +Vat has been given. To be put on the next agenda.

7.3 Resolution to support expenditure for footpath 23 planning inspectorate meeting April 2019

This resolution was **unanimously supported**.

8.0 **Planning: -**

**Appeal – RR/2018/530/P, Coopers Corner Farmhouse, Merriments Lane. Dismissed.**

8.1 RDC Planning decisions

**RR/2018/2123/P - 2 Merriments Farm Cottages, Merriments Lane, Hurst Green TN19 7RG. Proposed detached double garage and single storey extension to dwelling. Granted.**

**RR/2018/2030/L - 52 London Road, Pidgeon House, Hurst Green TN19 7PN. Replacement door from UPVC to wooden. Granted.**

**RR/2018/1683/P - Silverhill Pump House Business Unit, Bodiam Road, Silverhill, TN19 7QD.**

Change of use and enlargement of existing, former water storage pump facility building to form a single new residential dwelling (C3 Use Class) with associated external landscaping works, parking provision and access improvements. **Refused.**

**RR/2018/1873/P - 33 Great Oak, Hurst Green TN19 7QF Two storey rear extension to replace existing conservatory. Granted.**

***Councillor Browne declared an interest in agenda items RR/2018/2622/P and RR/2018/2365/P below as he has done work for the applicants and did not take part in the discussion or vote.***

8.2 Current Applications.

**RR/2018/2674/L - 121 London Road, Hurst Green TN19 7PN. Painting of exterior door woodwork. Supported (if in keeping).**

**RR/2018/2667/P - Coopers Corner Farm**, Merriments Lane, Hurst Green TN19 7RA. Construction of traditional oak framed open bay garage with storage above **Supported** (*with 106 condition*).

**RR/2018/2622/P - Sweethayes Farm, London Road**, Hurst Green TN19 7PS. New fodder storage barn. **Comment** (*conditional on agricultural viability statement*).

**RR/2018/2372/P - Ashdene Garage South, London Road**, Hurst Green TN19 7QR. Extension to existing shop, store, and back office (ref. renewal of RR/2015/1146/P). **Comment**.

**RR/2018/2365/P - Planters Farm Shop - Land adjacent to, London Road**, Hurst Green TN19 7QS. Change of use of redundant commercial land and erection of a pair of 3 bed dwellings and a pair of 2 bed dwellings. **Not supported** (*outside development boundary*).

**RR/2018/2243/P - 64 London Road, Rosemount**, Hurst Green TN19 7PN. Proposed single storey rear extension and internal alterations. **Two for, one against and three abstentions**.

**RR/2017/2436/P - Merriments Gardens & Nursery**, Merriments Lane, Hurst Green TN19 7RA. Construction of new access. **Supported** (*with 106 condition and barrier between house access and Garden Centre car park*).

## 9.0 Finance/RFO's Report:-

The Clerk gave the report in the absence of the RFO, David Hilbourne.  
*Councillors Barnes and Prochak left the meeting.*

### 9.1a Resolution to support expenditure of £1,000 towards painting of Village Hall, previously agreed at precept meeting under LGA72 s137

This resolution **was unanimously supported**.

### 9.1 Current financial position

#### Balance of accounts

Community Account (6752)	£34,017.44	as at 22 <sup>nd</sup> Oct 2018
Community Savings (6779)	£30,841.88	as at 22 <sup>nd</sup> Oct 2018
Renewals A/C (6760)	£10,084.85	as at 22 <sup>nd</sup> Oct 2018

These figures are the position as at the latest statements received as shown. They do not include monies received or paid away subsequently.

#### Direct Debit payments

None.

#### Payments received

None.

### 9.2 Motion to approve invoices and approval and issue of Cheques

#### Urgent cheques drawn and paid away

Cheque No. 100966 - HG Village Hall, s137 donation re painting.	£1000.00
Cheque No. 100967 - HG Village Hall, s137 donation re kitchen equipment.	£380.00
Cheque No. 100968 - R Janes Esq, refund of insurance claim for Comm. Shop.	£309.60*

*\*HGPC part of claim paid upfront by Mr Janes.*

#### Cheques to be authorised for this meeting

*Copies of invoices re items below previously circulated via email to all Councillors.*

Cheque No. 100969 - J Ellis, Clerk's Salary (October).	£563.38
Cheque No. 100970 - D Hilbourne, RFOs salary (October).	£137.65
Cheque No. 100972 - Pet Waste Solutions, clearance of dog bin (3) waste for October.	£101.40
Cheque No. 100973 - Glasdon Ltd, new bench to replace damaged one at Silverhill bus stop.	£551.82
Cheque No. 100974 - E Doe & Sons, Padlock for Stage Field bunker..	£19.99
Cheque No. 100975 - D G Browne, Mow and hedge trim Lodge Field (Aug, Sept, Oct).	£516.00

Cheque No 100976 - Spoilt.	-
Cheque No. 100977 - Richard Pelham, maintenance of the Corner Garden for 2018.	£380.00
Cheque No 100978 - Spoilt.	-
Cheque No. 100979 - Robertsbridge Gdns Mc Centre, maintenance for playground Lodge Field, (Aug, Sept and Oct.).	£648.00
Cheque No. 100980 - East Sussex Pension Scheme, re Clerk (October).	£164.54

A resolution for approval is sought for present invoices (*as circulated via email prior to the meeting to all Councillors*) and issue of Cheques.

**Approval of Invoices and Cheques proposed by Councillor Janes and seconded by Councillor Price.**

**10.0 Playing & Stage Fields**

10.1 Stage Field – resolution to support any works needed re bunker security.

This item and associated works already completed.

10.2 Drewetts Field – resolution to support mole control in field

Only one quote rec'd therefore will be left for the next meeting.

**11.00 Notices and Correspondence:-**

*Correspondence previously circulated via email.*

11.1 Urgent issues requiring attention

None.

11.2 Councillors questions

None received.

**12.00 Items for the next agenda:-**

Neighbourhood Plan. Date for early January meeting. Other items to be emailed to Clerk as necessary.

**13.0 Date and time of next Meeting:-**

The next meeting is on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2018 in Hurst Green Village Hall starting at 8.00pm with public consultation from 7.30pm.

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 10.10pm.

Distribution of Minutes: -  
All Parish Councillors  
Parish Council Noticeboard  
Parish Council Website  
ESCC Councillor J. Barnes  
RDC Councillor S. Prochak.

Signed Graham Browne, Chair  
  
Chairman  
Dated 27<sup>th</sup> November 2018