

GODMERSHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 8th March 2017 at 8.30 pm in Godmersham & Crundale Village Hall

Present : Cllrs Spencer (in the Chair), Grayson, Gee, Taylor & Fisher

In attendance: Mr. Eaton, Clerk to the Council

Action by:

1 Apologies for absence

There were no apologies for absence

2 Declarations of Councillors Interests

There were no declarations of Cllrs interests regarding items on the agenda

3 To approve the Minutes of the last Meeting

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 11th January 2017 were approved and signed

4 Matters Arising

Matters arising from the Annual Parish Meeting – there were no matters arising of note

Litter and dog waste bins – there was a brief discussion and it was agreed that a dedicated dog waste bin was not required as litter bins could be used for dog waste

It was agreed that Cllr Taylor would check on the progress of the bus shelter maintenance

Cllr Taylor

5 To discuss matters of public concern

There was a full discussion regarding an email from a Parishioner re path from Bilting Village to the North Downs Way expressing concerns that this long walked path would soon not be accessible to walkers despite being a right of way. Cllr Taylor reported that he had had discussions with the Estate Manager who was aware of the concerns and wished to work with the Parish Council to resolve the matter. The Manager agreed that when the gate was installed and the fencing completed he would provide the gate lock code so that local

walkers could access the path. It was agreed that the Clerk reply to the Parishioner and provide the code when it was available

Clerk

6 To discuss Planning & Enforcement Matters

New Planning Application

17/00122 – Timber studio outbuilding
Eggarton House, Eggarton Lane

Considered in-between Meetings - supported

17/00111 – Two storey side extension
Mayfield, Canterbury Road

Considered in-between Meetings – supported

17/00110 – Two storey side extension
Heathfield, Canterbury Road

Considered in-between Meetings – supported

17/00228 – Change of use of barn to holiday let (resubmission)
The Barn, Pope Street

There were no objections to this application

Planning Applications permitted

16/01233 – Two storey outbuilding to replace garage
Everett House, Canterbury Road

16/01672 – replacement conservatory, internal
alterations 13 The Street

7 To Consider Finance Matters

Accounts for Payment

	£
G Eaton, Clerks salary and expenses (Feb & March)	433.66
Clerk's tax (Feb & March)	88.40
Dizzy Pragbell, artwork gift for Cllr Spencer's retirement	90.00

8 Correspondence received

Emails from ABC re Leaders Briefings

Letter/documents from Local Government Boundary Commission re electoral review of Ashford

Email from KALC re Business Case for a single Council for Kent

Letter from Kent Surrey & Sussex Air Ambulance requesting a donation

Email from Pageant Master re 'Battles Over' a 100 years of remembrance on 11th Nov 2018

Email from Lord Lieutenant of Kent re Civic Service on 14th March

Poster from KCC Trading Standards re Online Scams

Email from Plunkett Foundation re Call for Action

9 AOB

There was a discussion regarding Cllr Spencer's announcement at the Annual Parish Meeting that she intended to resign from the Parish Council at the conclusion of the meeting. Cllr Grayson on behalf of the Council thanked Caroline for all her hard work and efforts over the last 15 years. Caroline thanked Simon for his kind words and wished the Council all the best for the future

10 Dates of next Meeting

It was agreed that the next meeting be held on 10th May at 8.00pm in the Godmersham and Crundale Village Hall

There being no other business the Meeting closed at 10.00pm