

# **GODMERSHAM PARISH COUNCIL**

## **Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2022 at 7.30 pm at Godmersham Village Hall**

**Present** : Cllrs Taylor (in the Chair), Lee, Grayson, Johnson & Gee

**In attendance:** Mr. Eaton, Clerk to the Council, ABC Cllr Meaden and PCSO Stevens

Cllr Taylor opened the Meeting by thanking ABC Cllr Meaden for his grant of £800 towards the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations

**Action by:**

### **1 Apologies for absence**

There were no apologies for absence

### **2 Declarations of Councillor's Interests**

There were no declarations of Cllrs interests in items on the Agenda

### **3 To approve the Minutes of the last Meeting and Matters arising**

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> January 2022 were approved and signed

### **4 To discuss matters of public concern**

There was a general discussion with PCSO Stevens regarding local crime, speeding, and Kent Police's new initiative 'My Community Voice', a two-way engagement tool

### **5 Planning**

New Planning applications

There were no new planning applications to consider

Decided planning applications

**21/01840** – creation of engineered wetland with associated landscaping  
**Land south of Godmersham Bridge, Canterbury Road**

**REFUSED**

## **6 Finance Matters & Accounts for payment**

The following accounts were approved for payment -

	<b>£</b>
Chq 938 Clerk's tax (Feb & March)	108.40
Chq 939 Godmersham VH, room hire	16.50
Chq 940 R Lee, broadband expenses	13.00

The monthly Standing Orders were noted -

	<b>£</b>
G Eaton, Clerk's salary and expenses	256.84
GW Landscaping, grounds maintenance	222.00

### Annual Review of Clerk's salary

It was confirmed that the Clerk's hourly rate of pay should be increased from £12.50 to £13.50 from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022. The Clerk thanked the Cllrs for the increase

### Other Finance Matters

The Finance Report for the period 1<sup>st</sup> April – 31<sup>st</sup> Dec 2021, previously circulated by email, was discussed and approved

## **7 Correspondence**

ABC Briefing – Solar together, bulk buying of solar panels

## **8 AOB**

After a general discussion it was agreed that the Annual Parishioners Meeting would be held on 10<sup>th</sup> May 2022. The Clerk was asked to invite KCC Cllr Bell, ABC Cllr Meaden and various local clubs and organisations to each provide a 5-minute report either in person or written

Cllr Lee gave a brief report on the broadband project

Cllr Johnson suggested creating a playpark at the Village Hall. A virtual meeting with ABC officers to explore some of the issues was planned. Cllr Johnson to report back at the next Meeting with some proposals and rough costs

**Cllr Johnson**

## **9 Date of next Meetings**

It was agreed that the next Meetings would take place on 10<sup>th</sup> May and 12<sup>th</sup> July at 7.30 pm at Godmersham Village Hall

There being no other business the Meeting closed at 8.55 pm