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MINUTES OF DYMCHURCH PARISH COUNCIL meeting held on
WEDNESDAY, 2nd MAY, 2018 at 13 Orgarswick Avenue, Dymchurch

PRESENT: Chairman Ian Meyers, Vice-Chair Cllr. Roger Wilkins, Cllr. Richard Blackwell, Cllr. John Carr, Cllr. Denise Meyers, Cllr. Thomas Quaye, Cllr. Merlin Redding. Cllr. Russell Tillson.

Parish Clerk and 6 members of the public.

APOLOGIES:

None received.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

Cllr. J. Carr declared non pecuniary interest in any matters relating to Day of Syn and Turn the Tide activities.

Cllr. T. Quaye declared non pecuniary interest in any planning application that may be submitted by his father.

Cllr. Blackwell and Cllr. Denise Meyers declared non pecuniary interest in any matters relating to Friends of Martello 24.

Proposed by Cllr. Tillson, seconded by Cllr. Blackwell, that the meeting be adjourned for questions from the public. Meeting adjourned at 7.43pm

QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC:

Mr. Williams informed four pot-holes have been repaired on the A259 and many more need repairing. The road is breaking up.

Chairman informed KCC is currently repairing pot-holes in the county and requested KCC Cllr. Martin Whybrow be invited to the Annual Parish Meeting to report on KCC matters.

Cllr. Wilkins advised members of the public to report highway matters directly to KCC and to provide photos where possible.

Mr. Southgate informed KCC has £11M for pot-hole repairs and suggested a link from DPC web-site to Highways fault reporting system.

Meeting resumed at 8pm

APPROVE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING AND MATTERS ARISING:

Proposed by Cllr. Tillson, seconded by Cllr. Denise Meyers, that the minutes be approved.

All agreed. Cllr. Wilkins informed planning at Ship Inn Field has been rejected.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Folkestone & Hythe District Council:

A review of the Licensing Policy is being undertaken and it is currently open for consultation until 23 June. The Policy can be viewed at www.folkestone-hythe.gov.uk/news/licensing-consultation

Kent County Council:

Eastbridge Road is due for road surface improvements from the High Street to St. Ann's Road; the works are scheduled to start 8th May for two days.

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National Association of Local Councils:

NALC has published new model standing orders to address new legislation. An item will be placed on the June or July agenda.

Kent Police & Crime Commissioner:

Residents of rural Kent are being encouraged to have their say on how prevalent crime is where they live and how they rate the police response to it. The link provided is:

<http://www.nationalruralcrimenetwork.net/>

Kent Surrey Sussex Air Ambulance:

Request received for a grant of £150 towards providing a helicopter emergency medical service and rapid response car. Item to be placed on June agenda.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS:

Y18/0045/SH	Erection of two stores for mobility scooters
Romney Marsh Hs.	Approved by District Council
Y18/0208/SH	Erection of single storey rear extension and car port
3 Crossway Close	Approved by District Council
Y18/0253/SH	Erection of single storey rear extension and terrace.
56A High Street.	Approved by District Council
Y18/0266/SH	Replacement shop front with aluminium windows & glass door
56 High Street	Approved by District Council
Y18/0283/SH	Erection of single storey rear extension
27 Beverley Gdns.	Approved by District Council
Y18/0285/SH	Change of use to retail/café
Boathouse Seawall	Approved by District Council
Y18/0525/FH	Roof extension over garage and to rear
7 Redoubt Way	Proposed by Cllr. Tillson, seconded by Cllr. Wilkins that No Objection be raised. Voting: Unanimous.

ACCOUNTS:

Proposed by Cllr. Tillson, seconded by Cllr. Wilkins, that the monthly accounts be accepted. Agreed.

Total outgoings this month £5993.

DISTRICT COUNCIL REPORTS:

Cllr. Wilkins had nothing to report.

Cllr. Tillson informed much time has been devoted to producing a new licensing policy which is now much clearer and easier to read. He has requested planning officers to justify the basis upon which Folkestone seafront development amendments should be considered and has queried the housing allocations that have appeared in the Places and Policy document.

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Cllr. Meyers reported there is no gender pay gap at the district council. The Folkestone seafront development has now been approved by district council. All committee meetings at the Civic Centre are now being web-cast.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

Nothing to report.

TO RECEIVE REPORTS ON MEETINGS ATTENDED:

Cllr. Carr has attended Day of Syn and Turn of the Tide meetings. Plans are under way for both events.

Cllr. Blackwell attended the Romney Marsh Forum: Area Commander of Police attended and addressed rural crime, crop damage and marine surveillance. No parishes have taken up the speed-watch scheme. The Forum has written to Jeremy Hunt MP regarding health services on the Marsh. The joint Marsh tourism leaflet has been approved by the Forum.

Cllr. Denise Meyers informed a meeting has been held with English Heritage and it is hoped that funding will be found by English Heritage to repair water ingress at the tower.

Cllr. Quaye requested a calendar be produced for working party meetings.

TO RECEIVE REPORTS FROM WORKING PARTIES:

Nothing to report.

DISTRICT COUNCIL'S CORE STRATEGY LOCAL PLAN:

Cllr. Blackwell advised that development at Lydd Airport could affect tourist trade in the area and suggested the railway line could be used for greater purpose and there are no development sites identified at Dymchurch accept windfall sites.

PERMANENT OCCUPATION OF NON-RESIDENTIAL CARAVANS:

Residents residing in caravans all year round are not included in statistical data, consequently giving a false figure for the size of population, health care needs and education placements etc. Occupiers of caravans pay little if any council tax depriving the parish council of much needed revenue. The parish council has raised this matter with district council, the local MP and the All Party Parliamentary Group for discussion at Parliament. NALC is also pressing MPs for a change in legislation as this is a matter that is affecting the whole country. The district council informed it is planning to produce a report on the matter. The report will be considered at a future DPC meeting when the report is available.

Meeting closed at: 9.15pm

Signed:..... Date:.....

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the next meeting of **DYMCHURCH PARISH COUNCIL** will be held on **MONDAY 4th JUNE, 2018**, at the Parish Council offices, 13 Orgarswick Avenue.

Members of the Council: You are summoned to attend a meeting of the Council on the date and time and place shown above.

AGENDA

- 1) Receive apologies for absence
- 2) Declaration of Interest (*Councillors should disclose pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest/s in any item/s on this agenda. Councillors with a pecuniary interest must describe and give details of the interest. Unless the pecuniary interest amounts to a prejudicial interest, he/she may participate fully in the meeting.*)
- 3) Questions from the Public:
- 4) Approve the Minutes of the last meeting and discuss matters arising
- 5) Read Correspondence
- 6) Consider Planning Applications
- 7) Consider Payment of Accounts
- 8) District Council Report
- 9) Chairman's Report
- 10) To receive reports on meetings attended
- 11) To receive reports from Working Parties
- 12) Kent Surrey Sussex Air Ambulance:
- 13) Dymchurch Primary School
- 14) New Standing Orders

Gillian H. Smith

Clerk to Dymchurch Parish Council.