

# CLIFFSEND PARISH COUNCIL

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## Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting Held on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2016 at 7.50pm in the Village Hall

**Members Present.** -Parish Councillors Knowles Chair, Alexander Vice Chairman, Searle, Fiander, Hovenden, Blaydes & Lyon

**In Attendance -** Ashley Stacey, Clerk/Responsible Finance Officer, 4 members of the community. District Cllrs Rogers & Townend.

### 107/15-16 Welcome & Apologies

Cllr Knowles opened the meeting and explained the safety procedures. **Apologies from Cllr Hovenden who was held up.**

### 108/15-16 Declarations of interest

Cllr Searle, Cllr Blaydes & Cllr Hovenden signed for the RA.

### 109/15-16 Adoption of minutes of 5<sup>th</sup> December 2015 as being a true record, with two amendments, number of people present and Cllr Blaydes name.

**Proposed Cllr Knowles , Seconded Cllr Alexander.** All in favour.

### 110/15-16 Matters arising from the above minutes

Cllr Knowles reported that on the meeting which took place last month which the clerk attended on behalf of the PC (Local Plan). Cllr Knowles advised that Cllr Hovenden was aware of the meeting. The clerk advised she attended on behalf of the PC and reported back, and everyone has had the information.

### 111/15-16 Reports

Cllr Townend advised he did not have an update to give. Cllr Rogers advised that she had passed on Cllr Alexander's speed reports to KCC.

Cllr Lyon reported that she had spoken at planning committee re the asparagus field planning application. She advised that the officers had not submitted the report in time. Site meeting is 9.30am on 8.1.15

**F & GP – Meadow WP - Cllr Searle** recommended that the meeting next week to progress the lease process be held in the committee room **Seconded Cllr Knowles** all in favour.

**FWP – Cllr Knowles** proposed the budget be accepted as agreed by the FWP, **Seconded Cllr Alexander** all in favour.

Cllr Searle advised the Cottington Road is closing for four days on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> Jan 2016.

### 112/15-16 Public Questions

Resident asked about the increase in green waste recycling costs by TDC- District Cllrs to look into and report back.

Mrs Jones advised that the pill-box at Little Cliffsend Farm attached to the house is not listed.

Mr Rogers asked if KALC was good value for money and to consider other options.

**Cllr Hovenden arrived at 8.15pm**

#### **113/15-16 Financial Matters**

Checked by **Cllr Knowles & Cllr Fiander**

**Payments proposed by Cllr Knowles and seconded Cllr Alexander - all in favour**

**Chqs were signed by Cllr Alexander and Cllr Searle**

**Chq No 623 A Stacey – Wages £342.13**

**Chq No 624 HMRC £81.03**

**Chq No 625 A Stacey Expenses £39.61**

**Chq No 626 CVHF - £6.00**

**Chq No 627 TDC - £2126.80**

**Chq No 628 TDC – £1533.10**

#### **114/15-16 Current Topics**

**HM The Queens 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebrations – Cllr Knowles** asked if anyone had considered options for the celebrations.

**Cllr Searle** suggested the Residents Association might like to do something? Clerk to write to RA to see if they would like to work together.

**Parish website – Cllr Knowles** will look at costs of scanners. Clerk to ask Roy Wade re help for the website.

**Road Noise -** no update

#### **115/15-16 Clerks report**

Clerk asked members to confirm the Saturday dates. **Cllr Lyon** advised she would be unable to make Saturday meetings. **Cllr Knowles** advised the numbers were more on Saturday, **Cllr Hovenden** disputed this. **Cllr Knowles** proposed the meetings on 5/3, 7/7 and 3/12 take place. Seconded **Cllr Alexander**, three in favour, four against. Not carried. Dates changed back to Thursdays  
AGM – 21<sup>st</sup> April 2016? Dates to be confirmed

#### **116/15-16 Correspondence**

Lord Lieutenants' Civic service in Maidstone – **Cllr Knowles & Cllr Alexander** to attend.

Grant form received from CRA for £300 for Christmas lunches. **Cllr Lyon** proposed payment be made, seconded **Cllr Alexander, Cllr Knowles & Cllr Fiander** against. **Cllr Hovenden, Searle and Blaydes** are unable to vote and have declared an interest.

**Cllr Knowles's** casting vote was against allowing the grant for the CRA.

#### **117/15-16 Planning Applications**

Replacement of existing wind turbine – no issues

**Cllr Hovenden** wanted it recorded that she was here in time for the budget discussions, however **Cllr Knowles** confirmed that it had already been discussed in the F & GP and was agreed within F & GP.

Meeting closed 8.50pm Date of next meeting –4<sup>th</sup> February 2016 at 7.30pm,

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