

HOATH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on 13th September 2021.

Present: Councillors John Williams (chair - part), Imogen Morizet (chair – part), Adele Wright, John Millward (part), Tina Keeble. In attendance: Guy Foster (clerk), and eleven members of the public.

Cllr Williams took the chair

1. Apologies

Alan Marsh (KCC) and Rachel Carnac (CCC) had sent apologies.

2. Declaration of members' interests

None.

3. Minutes of the last meeting and any matters arising

The minutes of the June meeting were agreed as tabled as a true record.

4. To consider the co-option of new members

Having expressed their willingness to stand, John Millward and Imogen Morizet were unanimously co-opted as members of Hoath PC.

5. To elect a chairman

Cllr Morizet expressed her willingness to stand, was unanimously elected as chairman and took the chair for the remainder of the meeting. Cllr Williams announced that he was standing down as deputy chair and going to resign from the PC at the end of the meeting. Accordingly, it was necessary to elect a deputy chairman. Cllr Wright expressed her willingness to stand and was unanimously elected as deputy chairman.

The meeting was adjourned for a presentation by Anne Dekker of CCC on the subject of the Code of Conduct. This was a very helpful presentation covering a variety of areas including the CCC standards committee, standing orders and training.

The adjournment continued to hear public comments. The following matters were raised:

- Local climate change activities: there are a number of events being organised by Canterbury Climate Action Partnership for the week starting 24th October.
- The proposed solar farm at Marley Lane
- The Chislet and Hoath Community Group

6. KCC and CCC reports

No representatives of KCC or CCC were present.

7. Planning

Application CA/21/0166 (Bredlands Lane): there was some surprise expressed that CCC deemed this to be within the parish of Hoath. The clerk noted that the date for comment had almost certainly passed but in any case this was not a significant application. However the chair said she intended to visit the site to investigate.

8. Report of the clerk/RFO

The following payment was unanimously approved:

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| 1. Clerk: August (net) | £372.04 |
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At end-August, the cash book and bank balance was £28,922.64.

New village green: the clerk reported that he had tried to contact our solicitor to check on progress but so far without luck. He would persevere.

The chair asked if the PC budget details could be sent her and Cllr Millward.

It was unanimously resolved to add Cllrs Morizet and Millward to the bank mandate.

9. Councillors' reports

Cllr Wright reported on the amount of litter on the roads and the state of the verges of Ford Hill. It was agreed to write to Hoath school about the litter problem and also the erratic driving by some parents.

It was agreed to discuss KCC's Highways Improvement Plan for Hoath at the next meeting.

10. Date of the next meeting

It was agreed that this will be Monday October 11th, at the new time **of 6.30 in the village hall.**

Guy Foster

Clerk to Hoath Parish Council

Signed as a true record _____ Date: _____