



Working for the Community in Rotherfield, Mark Cross,
Eridge Green, Boarshead and surrounding areas

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON 12th JUNE 2018 AT 19:30
IN THE PARISH COUNCIL ROOM, ROTHERFIELD VILLAGE HALL TN6 3LX**

COUNCILLORS PRESENT

Cllr. L. Henrick (Vice Chair)	Cllr. D. Hiles	Cllr. J. Richardson
Cllr. T. Gilbert	Cllr. J. Kitchenham	Cllr. G. Watson-Smith
	Cllr. A. Martin	Cllr. N. Wickenden

COUNCILLORS ABSENT

Cllrs. Cahan and Glynn.

ALSO PRESENT

T. Thorpe, Parish Clerk.

1. TO RECEIVE THE FOLLOWING: -

i. Apologies for absence (LGA 1972 s 85).

These were submitted by Cllrs. Farmer, Hardy and Harris and it was **RESOLVED** that these apologies be accepted.

ii. Declarations of personal, prejudicial and disclosable pecuniary interests on items on the agenda, and updates to members' register of interests.

None.

iii. Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 28th April 2018 for approval and adoption as a true record.

Copies had been circulated to Councillors prior to the meeting. It was **RESOLVED** that they be adopted as a true record and the Chair signed them.

2. TO CONSIDER INFORMATION AND MAKE DECISIONS ON ACTIONS AND EXPENDITURE

AS REQUIRED REGARDING THE FOLLOWING ITEMS.

i. WD/2018/0883/F 1 Crowborough View, North Street, Rotherfield, TN6 3LZ
Single storey kitchen extension with new roof. part of garage turned into ancillary accommodation.

It was **RESOLVED** to recommend to Wealden District Council that this application be **REFUSED**.

REASON:

The Council has concerns regarding the fire safety and access to the proposed ancillary accommodation in the garage.

ii. Review, confirm and sign the Annual Governance and Accountability Return for dispatch to the External Auditors.

Documents and accounting reports relating to the return had been circulated to the Councillors prior to the meeting.

- a) It was **RESOLVED** that the Annual Governance statement, Section 1 of the Return, be approved and it was signed by the Chair and Clerk
- b) It was **RESOLVED** that the 2017/18 Accounting Statements, Section 2 of the Return, be approved and they were signed by the Chair and Clerk.

ACTION for **CLERK** to send signed return and accompanying documents to the external auditor and publish and display the required statutory notices relating to it.

iii. **Information regarding 2018 pay settlement.**

Details circulated to Councillor's prior to meeting. Increase came into effect on 1st April and Clerk will backdate and include in June salary payment. It was **RESOLVED** that the details of this National Settlement be noted.

iv. **Receive planning decision notices and other planning correspondence.**

These were dealt with after item 2i of the agenda.

- a) **TM/2018/0118/TPO** Work as per schedule within tree preservation order (Rotherfield) NO 1, 1990. Bowles Centre, Sandhill Lane, Boars Head, TN3 9LW
Consent granted.
- b) **WD/2018/0427/F** The Pines, Eridge Road, Boars Head, TN6 3HD
Erection of 2 no detached dwellings with associated parking & landscaping.
Parish Council recommended approval, Wealden District Council refused.
- c) **WD/2018/0687/F** Orznash Farm, Gillridge Lane, Crowborough, TN6 1UR
Description and location of development conversion of existing single storey barns into habitable accommodation ancillary to Orznash Farm.
Parish Council recommended approval, Wealden District Council approved.
- d) **WD/2018/0338/F & 339/LB** Hamsell Wood Farm Barn, The Forstal, Eridge Green, TN3 9JY
Conversion of the main agricultural mixed use building into a five-bedroom dwelling.
Parish Council recommended approval, Wealden District Council approved.
- e) **WD/2018/0450/FA** The Stables, Clackhams Lane, Jarvis Brook, TN6 3R
Minor material amendment to **WD/2017/2385/RM** (Reserved matters pursuant to outline application **WD/2017/1468/O** (Erection of 5 no. detached dwellings together with means of access (Amendment to **WD/2016/2213/O**)).
Parish Council recommended approval, Wealden District Council approved.
- f) **WD/2017/2921/RM** Latchets, Clackhams Lane, Jarvis Brook, TN6 3RN
Description and location of development reserved matters pursuant to outline application **WD/2017/0528/O** (Erection of detached dwelling).
Parish Council recommended refusal, Wealden District Council refused.
- g) **WD/2018/0254/LB** The Copper Kettle, High Street, Rotherfield, TN6 3LH
To install a television aerial on the chimney.
Parish Council recommended approval, Wealden District Council approved.
- h) **WD/2018/0242/F** Cuckoo Barn, Land Off Douglas Road, Rotherfield, TN6 3QT
Change of use and conversion of agricultural building to create a single dwelling house.
Parish Council recommended approval, withdrawn by the applicant.

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- i) **WD/2018/0298/F** The Thatch, Bicycle Arms Road, High Cross, Rotherfield, TN6 3QE
Single storey extension to existing detached annexe.
Parish Council recommended approval, Wealden District Council approved.
- j) **WD/2018/0357/F** 29 Hornshurst Road, Rotherfield, TN6 3ND
Demolition of existing porch, and rear conservatory. erection of single and 2 storey extensions to front elevation and single storey extension to rear elevation.
Parish Council recommended approval, Wealden District Council refused.
- k) **WD/2018/0453/F** Kilinside, Tunbridge Wells Road, Mark Cross, TN6 3PP
Proposed two storey side extension, single storey front and rear extensions and loft conversion with one rear facing dormer, including associated external landscaping
Parish Council recommended approval, Wealden District Council approved.
- l) **WD/2018/0223/FA** Grovewood, Catts Hill, Mark Cross, Crowborough TN6 3NH
Minor material amendment to application WD/2014/2213/F (replacement dwelling house and the demolition of an existing single storey dwelling house and outbuildings).
Parish Council recommended approval, Wealden District Council approved.
- m) **Notice of Appeal re: WD/2016/2042/F** Gill Wing Farm, Groombridge Lane, Eridge, TN3 9LA.
Retrospective planning application to construct an agricultural building at Gill Wing Farm, Groombridge Lane, Eridge Green, TN3 9LA Planning Inspectorate
Ref: **APP/C1435/W/17/3173679**

3. REPORT DETAILS OF ITEMS AND ISSUES NOTIFIED TO CLERK IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING FOR INVESTIGATION, FURTHER ACTION OR FOR FUTURE AGENDA.

- **Cllr. Martin** reported on cigarette butts and other litter outside two Village businesses, **CLERK** is to contact them and request clearance and that their customers be encouraged to use bins.
- **Cllr. Martin** also reported that he had reminded our contractor that the hedge at bottom of the Cemetery is due for cutting.
- **Chair/Cllr. Wickenden** are to contact Parishioner who has offered to clear the contents of the stone spoil bin as it is now full.
- **Cllr. Watson-Smith.** Concerns have been raised with him regarding overgrown footpath fp34a near Yew Tree Lane. This has previously been reported to the East Sussex Rights of Way team but ultimate responsibility rests with the landowner and it is understood that this business has gone into liquidation. **CLERK** will remind ESCC of this issue.
- **Cllr. Richardson.** Volunteer sought to assist her in representing the Council at Saturday's school fete. Cllr. Henrick will contact Cllr. Cahan to see if she can help. Cllr. Richardson has also been in discussion with a Parishioner who wishes to assist with fund raising toward the Surgery Project. **CLERK** to add item to the agenda of the June Council Meeting to consider this.
- **Cllr. Richardson** has been contacted by Eridge Village Hall and will attend their forthcoming meeting as the Council's representative. **CLERK** to contact Hall to confirm a date for Council meeting to be held there, Wednesday evenings from 20:00 are only time slots available.
- **CLERK** reported that the "Brighter Crowborough" team had successfully lobbied Wealden DC to install two litter bins in the A26 Eridge Forstal layby and four bins in the layby on the

Crowborough side of the Station. **CLERK** is to thank them as the Council had been about to purchase two bins for the Forstal.

- Cllrs. were pleased to note that the mobile phone signal in the village had improved considerably now that the New Road mast had “gone live”. However, there had been issues with some resident’s T.V. signals being adversely affected. The remedy of providing filters to alleviate this is the responsibility of the mast operator but it is understood that the publicity for his had been poor, also that Rotherfield St Martin had taken up the matter as some of their members had been affected. Clerk to contact them to see if any issues remain outstanding.

Chair declared the formal business of the meeting closed at 20:05

4. PUBLIC FORUM.

None.

**Confirmed as true record, adopted and signed at the 28th June 2018
meeting of the Parish Council**

..... Chair.....Date