



Boughton Malherbe Parish Council

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Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council on Monday 6th November 2017, 7.30pm in Grafty Green Village Hall

Present: Cllrs R Turner (Chair); A Allum; T King; R Galton; J Collins
Clerk Mr Chris Hume

In attendance: Shellina Prendergast

Cllr Turner opened meeting at 7.30pm

1. Anybody filming or recording this meeting to declare it: No declarations made.
2. **Apologies** – none received
3. **Declarations:**
Any lobbying - none
Any interest in items on the Agenda - none
Any changes to the register of pecuniary interests – none
4. **Minutes** - The minutes of the meeting held on the 7th September 2017 were approved.
5. **Matters Arising**
 - **Grit Bin at Boughton Hill** – it was resolved to await a decision from KCC regarding our application for a Grit Bin before purchasing one directly
 - **Traffic Survey** – it was resolved to await the outcome of the forthcoming meetings with Platts Heath and KCC Highways before deciding whether to commission a study or other action
 - **Community Asset** – subject to amendments it was agreed to submit the application to MBC. Cllr Galton to provide Land Registry plans. Cllr Collins to confirm ownership of the site
 - **Deposit Account** – it was agreed to open a Cambridge and Counties 31-day account and move £85,000 into the account once open. Clerk to add discussion regarding further accounts required to the next Finance Committee
6. **Public session** – No-one in attendance
7. **Planning Outcomes** – Noted that the Ledgers Cottage application had been approved with amendments
8. **KCC/MBC Reports**
Shellina Prendergast updated the meeting with regard to: (i) the Local Plan (ii) proposed relief road (iii) The Meadows site (iv) HGV Traffic . Cllr Allum to provide details of the Platts Heath meeting to Shellina. Shellina urged councillors to lobby Helen Whately with regard to Gypsy and Traveller sites
9. **8.1 Local Policing/community** – Cllr Turner reported back from the recent Police/Parish/Neighbourhood Watch Meeting. Clerk to circulate minutes. The Clerk circulated recent

crime reports from the e-watch website which councillors found helpful.

8.2 Community Warden Report – No report

8.3 KFRS – No report

8.4 Speedwatch – No report

10. Highway and Footway Matters

10.1 Liverton Hill – agreed to await outcome of meeting with KCC Highways before considering further action

10.2 Ditches, gullies, pot holes - agreed to await discussion with KCC Highways before considering further action

10.3 HGV Signage – agreed to await outcome of meetings with KCC Highways and Platts Heath before considering further action

10.4 59 Bus – Cllr Collins updated the meeting with regard to discussions with KCC regarding subsidies and the KALC Community Transport event

11. Councillor Reports on any External Meetings attended

Cllrs Turner and Galton provided feedback from KALC Maidstone Committee. Cllr Galton provided feedback from the KALC Planning workshop

12. Finance

12.1 Note the Balance at the Bank - £27,642.48 Nat West
£500.00 Santander

12.2 Income since the last meeting – PSS second instalment £499.50, Quinn Estates Donation £100,000

12.3 Bank Reconciliation - approved and signed for position at 5th October 2017

12.4 Any cheques to sign – signed two cheques to KALC for £72

12.5 Authorisation of any payments since last meeting - noted

12.6 Street Plans – Resolved that the Clerk may purchase a street plan and requested that the Clerk prepare a list of anticipated expenditure

12.7 Santander Account – agreed to close this account and move the funds to the Nat West account

13. Land at the Meadows – it was resolved, in principle, that we will contribute to the cost of a Barrister with neighbouring Parishes subject to further information about cost and quality

14. Donation from Quinn Estates – it was resolved that Councillor Galton will draft an article for the December issue of Malherbe Monthly informing residents about the donation and seeking suggestions for the use of the donation

15. Post Office Sign – noted interest in placing a sign on the village green which will be supported subject to proposals coming forward and not attached to the village sign. Cllr Galton proposed a method of providing a post behind the Notice Board to which the sign could be fixed and this was agreed subject to comment on final details.

16. Asset Register – several amendments were made to the register. Cllr Collins will clarify whether the register should show purchase price or value of assets. Clerk to review previous ledgers for cost of village sign and notice board.

17. Finance Committee Terms of Reference – Agreed various changes to the terms of reference. Clerk to review all terms of reference for standardisation and bring back to next Parish Council for approval. Standing Orders to be amended to refer to “three clear working days” notice of meetings

12. Correspondence – There was correspondence from: MBC, KALC and CPRE. This was noted

13. Further Information – noted correspondence from a resident regarding dangerous posts and agreed to convey information received from KCC Highways, but this is not a parish Council matter

The Meeting closed 9.43pm