

**MINUTES OF RYARSH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY 8th JUNE 2020 AT 8.00PM
Held online via Zoom video conferencing**

Taking Part:

Cllrs McKinlay (Chairman), Emson (Vice-Chairman), Barton, Butler, Martin, Storey, Clerk

ITEM	MINUTES	ACTION
1.	<p><u>APOLOGIES RECORDED, DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST MADE AND REGISTER OF INTERESTS:</u> Apologies were received from Cllr Jon Sutton, County Councillor Hohler, Borough Councillors Kemp and Montague. There were no declarations of interest.</p>	
2.	<p><u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MEETING ON 11th MAY 2020 (minutes to be physically signed at the next available opportunity)</u> The Minutes arising from the Annual Parish Council Meeting and Parish Council Meeting on 11th May were agreed by all Councillors and will be signed by Cllr McKinlay at the next available opportunity.</p>	MM
3.	<p><u>REPORTS:</u></p> <p>County Councillor –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ KCC is working hard on reviewing the current budget in light of the current situation and the amount it is costing, as well as the loss of revenue ○ KCC is working with the government on support for care homes in Kent of which there are 544 with 14,579 beds ○ As many will be aware from media reports we are facing a challenge with young asylum seekers arriving in Kent. KCC is responsible for the wellbeing of unaccompanied asylum seekers arriving in Kent and who are aged 18 or under. The younger ones go to foster homes and those aged 16 to 18 are looked after by KCC. KCC is fast running out of suitable accommodation and foster homes. In May alone the number of new arrivals has been over 60, the highest total since 2015. Talks with government are ongoing ○ KCC has sent all parishes an email about the situation and giving contact details for accessing information about KCC services. <p>Borough Councillor – There was no report.</p> <p>Police – There was no report.</p>	
4.	<p><u>PLANNING:</u></p> <p>(a) Plans Received for Comment: There were no plans received.</p> <p>(b) Decision Notices: There were no Decision Notices</p> <p>(c) Any other Planning Matters T&M KALC have made representations to TMBC about their strict enforcement of the 21 day time limit for responses to planning applications,</p>	
5.	<p><u>MATTERS ARISING</u></p> <p>(a) Works to begin M20 East Street Bridge Works to replace the M20 East Street Bridge are due to commence August/September 2020. Back in August 2016 East Street Foot Bridge over the M20 near Addington was struck by a lorry causing it to collapse. Works were due to commence July 2020 with completion planned for January 2021, but this has been delayed due to ongoing works on the Smart Motorway Network. To enable these works to be carried out safely Lane 1 will be closed with lane width restrictions in the remaining lanes and a 50mph speed between junctions 3 and 4 of the M20</p>	

Signed

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	<p>near Addington on both carriageways. There will be overnight closures required at the beginning and end of the works to set out the traffic management and a full weekend closure to lift the foot bridge into place.</p> <p>(b) Road Closure Old School Lane 12th June 2020 (up to one day) Details have been circulated. This is to allow CCTV of the drainage system to be carried out by Kent County Council.</p> <p>(c) Parish Partnership Panel 11th June 2020 The Agenda has been circulated. Cllr McKinlay will be attending the virtual meeting.</p> <p>(d) JPCTCG: To consider M20 All Lane Running Motorway The Parish Council will write to express concern about the motorway running with all lanes open despite the necessary safety equipment not being in place and Cllr McKinlay will raise this with JPCTCG.</p>	<p>MM</p> <p>Clerk MM</p>
6.	<p><u>HIGHWAY AND FOOTWAY MATTERS:</u></p> <p>(a) To report any highways problems – www.kent.gov.uk/roads-and-travel/report-a-problem There was a discussion about rocks which have been placed on the side of the highway to protect the landowners grass but which would cause damage to vehicles on The Street. Cllr Storey has spoken to the landowner to make them aware of the problem and possible danger to vehicles. It is understood the landowner intends to replace the rocks with concrete posts situated on the grass rather than the road.</p> <p>(b) To receive an update on progress of S106 Monies and Traffic Calming There is no update as it has not been possible to go ahead with a public meeting to consult residents.</p> <p>(c) To report any street lights issues The light on one of the traffic calming islands has been smashed.</p> <p>(d) To report any footpaths issues There were no further issues to report.</p>	
7.	<p><u>VILLAGE HALL</u></p> <p>(a) To receive updates and information about Ryarsh Village Hall Cllr Storey reported that hirers are waiting for further government guidance before rebooking, so there are no hirers for the hall at present.</p>	DS
10.	<p><u>PARISH MAINTENANCE AND REPORTS:</u> To receive reports on and report any issues about:</p> <p>(a) Parish Property (including Ryarsh Resource Room, Defibrillator etc) There were no matters to report.</p> <p>(b) Play Area, Recreation Ground There was a discussion about whether to open the play area but it was agreed it should remain closed. The grass to the Recreation Ground continues to be cut.</p> <p>(c) Trees Cllr Emson is waiting for the tractor to be available to remove a branch on a tree in the Recreation Ground.</p>	IE
11.	<p><u>FINANCIAL MATTERS</u></p> <p>(a) To receive bank statements, consider and approve financial statements (to be physically signed at the next available opportunity) The Financial Statement for May 2020 is not available as the Nat West Statements have not</p>	MM

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	<p>been received. It will be circulated for approval and will be signed at the next available opportunity.</p> <p>(b) To consider and approve invoice payments The following invoices were APPROVED and the payments will be authorised by Cllrs Barton and Martin:</p> <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 30%;">PSR</td> <td style="width: 40%;">Street light Maintenance June 2020</td> <td style="width: 30%; text-align: right;">£116.40</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Clerk</td> <td>June 2020 Salary, expenses, allowance</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£846.34</td> </tr> <tr> <td>HMRC</td> <td>June 2020 PAYE and NI</td> <td style="text-align: right; border-top: 1px solid black;">£56.28</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td style="text-align: right; border-top: 1px solid black;">£1,019.02</td> </tr> </table> <p>Payment to Eon for electricity for May 2020 of £131.81 was approved.</p> <p>(c) To receive update on Nat West Banking The papers to change signatories on the Nat West Bank account and set up online banking have been hand delivered to branch.</p> <p>(d) To consider changes to End of Year Financial Accounts and Reporting, Annual Governance Review, Annual Governance and Accountability Return and Internal Audit 2019/20 due to Coronavirus Information about changes to the dates and reporting have been circulated and the Clerk is liaising with the internal auditor. Papers will be ready for approval and signature at the July meeting.</p> <p>(e) To consider any other financial matters There were no other financial matters.</p>	PSR	Street light Maintenance June 2020	£116.40	Clerk	June 2020 Salary, expenses, allowance	£846.34	HMRC	June 2020 PAYE and NI	£56.28			£1,019.02	MB, CM
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11.	<p><u>MATTERS FOR NEXT MEETING</u> There were no matters raised.</p>													

The Meeting concluded at 8.20pm

Date of the next Parish Council meeting is **Monday 13th July 2020**