



Draft Minutes Ordinary Meeting Leysdown Parish Council Thursday 22nd April 2022 at Leysdown Village Hall

Present: Cllr's Pat Sandle (Chair), Cllr. Geoff Partis, Cllr. Evelyn Howell, Cllr. Melanie Rumbol, Cllr. Paul Day, Cllr. Anthony Brennan, Nicola Holdsworth (Clerk).

Members of the Public: 7

22/72 Apologies Cllr Oliver Eakin

22/73 Declaration of Interests

None

Closed sessions brought forward as only single applicants.

22/100 Co-Option of Councillor (closed session brought forward)

One applicant for Councillor; Melanie Rumbol. GE requested topic to be discussed in closed session. TB proposed a vote to be taken. Vote taken to appoint; Meanie Rumbol appointed to Parish Council.

22/99 Clerk Recruitment (closed session brought forward)

Only one applicant. Nicola Holdsworth appointed.

22/74 Approval of Minutes for the 17th March 2022 meeting

AGREED. Proposed Cllr Day. Seconded Cllr Howell.

22/75 Matters Arising

Discussion about the bandstand's completion, the painting is now completed. Safety issues completed.

Cllr Day enquired about Leysdown in Bloom (22/54) and asked if anyone had contacted the allotments. A member of the Association of Allotments was in attendance. Cllr Howell requested blooms from the allotments to be part of the Jubilee celebration. This was agreed as the date to enrol to have it judged had passed. Please contact Cllr Howell if you're willing to contribute flowers to the celebrations.

22/76 Public Session

Relating to Application Reference: 21/505047 and minutes 22/79

Muswell Manor Holiday Park appeal in relation to the planning application with regards to the barn on the property. The first proposed plan was in place from October. In March, a new proposal was put forward and the barn moved to near the cycle route.

Current concerns;

- The barn attracts children playing in it and there is an additional risk of arson.
- Construction traffic causing hazards to cyclists on cycle path through Leysdown Road.
- The current plan would place the barn near the wooden chalets that have gas bottles; fire risk especially with the real risk of arson.

Concerns about the current barn (asbestos) can be reported to the environmental health agency.

Allotments have 400 saplings remaining, advised to create a wildlife hedge.

Mobile caravan parking at Shellness and disposal of waste on farmland was discussed as it was reported by a member of the public that one of the dogs went into a pond on farmland and it came out blue. Implications that toilet waste is being dumped into the pond and that units parking are unsafe.

22/77 Correspondence

There is going to be a review on the committees. Cllr Sandle requested the other councillors complete and submit the survey.

10th May 2022 7:30pm- KALC Swale Area Committee Meeting

22nd June 2022 Eastern Swale Area Committee Meeting

Dates to take note of are:

- Mon 14th June- Agenda and Reports Published
- Fri 18th June- Deadline for Requests to Speak at Meeting
- Mon 21st June- Date joining details added to website if required.

Disabled Persons Parking Bay for the Village hall will have its white lines reinforced. Cllr Howell has requested two extra bays, in addition to the current one.

22/78 Planning

Application Reference: 22/500826. No comment.

Application Reference: 22/500238. No comment.

Application Reference: 21/505047. Prior notification for erection of a steel portal framed agricultural building designed for the secure storage of hay, haulage and straw. A letter of objection to the site and issues that have been raised in the public session will be written.

Application Reference: 21/3285188. Replacement of three chalets on a 10-month site. Objection proposed.

Application Reference: 22/501179. Ask for conditions to be imposed that the lights go off when the arcades close (preference for 11pm, midnight latest).

Application Reference: 22/501291. Cllr Howell no opposition to solar panels due to their assistance in a sustainable future.

New Application: Grove Avenue. Awaiting more information.

22/79 Muswell Manor Holiday Park Appeal

Discussed under Public Session.

22/80 The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

Up-to-date. Cllr Howell has organised a 4-day public event financed by the Parish Council.

22/81 Disabled Persons Bay

Discussed under correspondence

22/82 Children's Centre Building GP Campaign

Not yet heard back.

22/83 Bandstand Works

Completed

22/84 Area Committee Meeting

Possibly being held on the 18th June

22/85 Cycle Path 22/86 Promenade Fitness Trail 22/87 Proposal to Relocate Bus Stop

Discussion made at last meeting. Remove from minutes.

22/88 Update from Police Community Support Officer Lauren Bolt

Incident at Leysdown where a dog bit a girl.

Anti-social behaviour

Operation Paris has started; extra police officers.

Discussion to update the police of any incidents.

22/89 Mandate for the Bank

Ongoing, Cllr Brennan dealing with this.

22/90 War Memorial Donation Request.

Agreed at last meeting.

22/91 Leysdown Parish Council Office Laptop

An IT technician is being hired to set up the laptop.

22/92 British Telecommunications Contract

It was automatically renewed at the beginning of the year and will cost £579.14 to cancel contract. Agreed to keep contract for another year and clerk to look into better contracts with suppliers before it renews again. Move to forward planner.

22/94 KALC Membership

Current membership costs £903 of which £80 VAT can be reclaimed. Cllr Partis felt the membership was useful. Cllr Howell asked if there was an alternative to KALC to which Cllr Sandle stated there was not but insurance would cover one if being sued. Cllr Day proposed the membership was renewed for another year which was agreed by the other councillors. Cllr Sandle requested everyone to keep a record of how often they used the membership and what for so they could determine whether the membership was worth renewing next year.

22/95 Newsletter

Cllr Howell is gathering information for the Jubilee brochure.

22/96 Finance Cheques Approved

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| • Jordan Dighton Acting Clerk Pay | £275.00 |
| • Reimburse Cllr Day- Laptop | £553.99 |
| • Sheppey War Memorial Trust | £1,000.00 |
| • Blain Pritchard | £95.40 |
| • KALC | £1084.63 |
| • Lemar LTD | £14,700.00 |

22/97 Second Public Session

Suggestion of planting perennials as they flower year after year.

Discussion about a proposed 'sling shot' ride at the bottom of promenade and how unsafe this would be.

22/101 Close of Meeting at 9pm.