

GRAVENEY with GOODNESTONE PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held at The Village Hall, Graveney,
on Monday 9th April 2018 at 8.33pm**

Present: Cllr Alan Stewart (Chair), Cllr Roger Mitchell (Vice-Chair), Cllr Clare Boggia, Cllr Teresa Bowles, Cllr Catherine Wilkinson, Bex Ratchford (Clerk), Cllr Andrew Bowles (SBC & KCC)

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168. Apologies for absence

There were no apologies received.

169. Declarations of interests

Cllrs had no interests to declare.

170. To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 12th March 2018

The minutes were **agreed** as an accurate record of the meeting and were signed and dated by the Chair.

171. Matters arising (for information only)

- a. Action 151b: dog bin still needs to be purchased. **Action 171a: Clerk to purchase bin.**
- b. Action 151n: Village Hall Committee written to and cllrs advised to turn the heating on earlier in the day to give the hall chance to heat up before the meeting.
- c. Action 151o: bus shelter work still needs to be checked. **Action 171c: Clerk to check bus shelter work.**
- d. Action 151p: NhW sign still needs to be collected. **Action 171d: Clerk to collect sign.**
- e. Action 154: agenda item 175.
- f. Action 155: agenda item 176.
- g. Action 157: local clerks have been discussing the possibility of a joint DPO and further information is awaited.
- h. Action 158: agenda item 177.
- i. Action 159: ACRK written to, response awaited.
- j. Action 160b: litter pick organised with a number of volunteers, and a large amount of rubbish collected.
- k. Action 160c: agenda item 174.
- l. Action 162c: planning comment made.

172. Crime Report

There have been a number of crimes in the area, but none in Graveney or Goodnestone.

173. Cleve Hill Solar Park

This was discussed at the Annual Parish Meeting previously.

174. Monkshill Farm

An application for a Premises Licence has been submitted by an events company for Monkshill Farm. If granted it would allow the sale of alcohol between noon and midnight most days plus other provisions at the weekends. Large events are planned for up to 8000 people in July and August. It was **agreed** to object to the licence on the grounds of traffic management and parking problems; light and noise pollution; and controlling access and the provision of alcohol. **Action 174: Cllr Stewart to draft response and send to clerk for submission.**

175. Streetlighting

Some work has been completed and some remains outstanding. It was **agreed** that Cllr Stewart would look at the situation in detail and summarise the position with a view to moving forward. **Action 175: Cllr Stewart to summarise situation.**

176. Village sign

The location has been marked and the sign should be delivered and installed soon.

177. Local Government Ethical Standards Consultation

The draft response was **agreed** with some minor changes to make it less critical. **Action 177: Clerk to send response.**

178. Correspondence

All correspondence was noted.

- a. The KALC Swale Area Committee discussed the possibility of SBC changing its constitution so parishes no longer had the ability to ask applications to go to committee, but the proposal was not supported so no change to the constitution will take place.

179. Finance

- a. The financial statement and bank reconciliation were reviewed and accepted.

Account	Balance as of 31/03/18
Current Account	2438.00
Reserve Account	4019.10
Total	6457.10

- b. It was **agreed** to ask for reserve account statements at the end of the month in future. **Action 179b: Clerk to write to bank.**
- c. Payments were **agreed** as follows:

Ref	Payment	Net	VAT*	Total
S/O	Bex Ratchford – salary and office rental			
D/D	SSE – footway lighting (March)	43.05	2.14	45.19
100544	Bex Ratchford – expenses (stamps)	6.72	-	6.72
100545	Streetlights – lighting maintenance – contract and repairs	1628.10	325.62	1953.72
100546	C. Harding – newsletter (June & July 2017)	163.20	-	163.20

* VAT to be reclaimed

180. Planning

There were no planning issues to discuss.

181. Report from Graveney & Goodnestone Trust

This was discussed at the Annual Parish Meeting previously.

182. Reports from Parish Councillors

- a. Cllr Boggia: suggested putting an article in the newsletter about what to do if residents see rubbish dumped.
- b. Cllr Wilkinson: the speed of traffic along Graveney Road is getting worse. It was **agreed** to contact KCC about this. **Action 182b: Clerk to contact KCC.**

183. Reports from Borough and County Councillors (if present)

This was discussed at the Annual Parish Meeting previously.

184. Any other business (for information only)

There was no other business to discuss.

185. Close and date of next meeting

The meeting closed at 9.48pm.

The next meeting will be held on Monday 14th May 2018 at 7.30pm. This will be the Annual Parish Council Meeting

Signed..... Date.....