

BROOKLAND PARISH COUNCIL

Members are summoned to a meeting of Brookland Parish Council to be held
on Monday 17th July 2023 at 7.15pm at The Village Hall, Brookland.

MINUTES

Present: Cllr Wallington, Cllr Bicknell, Cllr Gillies, Cllr Kennedy, F&H Cllr Martin, A Lawson

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies accepted from Cllr Rhys Jones (prior engagement) & KCC Cllr Hills.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

3. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes for a meeting held on 23rd May 2023 were agreed as a true record of that meeting.
Proposed Cllr Gillies, Seconded Cllr Bicknell, unanimously agreed

4. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC – Public Participation

None

5. PLANNING

Members discussed current planning applications.

Ref: 23/0782/FH Proposal: Erection of 3 dwellings together with new access.

Location: Land Adjoining Pepperland Nursery, Straight Lane, Brookland

The Council are supportive of this application

Ref: 23/0864/FH Proposal: Erection of one detached dwelling and associated access, garage/parking and landscaping

Location: Apples Joy, Straight Lane, Brookland, Romney Marsh, TN29 9QS

The Council have no comment on this application

The Councillors discussed correspondence regarding a retrospective planning application 23/0357/FH Land opposite Spring Bank. The Councillors reconfirmed their previous position on the application and instructed the clerk to respond to the correspondence.

6. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT & REPORTS FROM OTHER OUTSIDE BODIES

The Chairperson's report is being prepared for publication in The Harrier

F&HDC Cllr Martin reported back to the Council on several issues:

Anti-Social Behaviour: Meeting arranged with F&H CSU, Cllr Bicknell to attend to discuss damage in church and bell tower and measures to prevent further occurrences.

Romney Marsh PC has now been appointed awaiting contact info

A259: Discussed with local MP – liaison with Kent police to address bike issues and other traffic calming measures used in similar locations. Options for "Unsuitable for HGV" signs to be placed on the Brookland roundabout side lanes, and/or designating "Quiet Lanes" through Campaign to Protect Rural England on the very narrow single track lanes either side of Brookland Village.

7. VILLAGE PLAY AREA & YOUTH RECREATION

Members discussed a proposal to take responsibility from F&HDC for the play area in Salters Lane including refurbishing equipment and replacing the play surface. Full details of the basis on which the area can be passed over to the Parish Council should be available shortly. Further investigation of options for equipment and costs of refurbishment to be completed ready for September meeting.

Other youth play facilities were discussed, Cllr Wallington to approach school about the possibility of the Parish Council providing 5 a side goal posts and marking out pitch.

8. FINANCE

Members to reviewed invoices paid and to be paid since the last meeting and forecast expenses to the end of the financial year. No issues raised. Details of bank reconciliation and expenditure included as an appendix

9. CORRESPONDENCE AND OTHER COUNCIL BUSINESS

KCC High Street carriageway repairs. Report compiled by Cllr Gillies of the High St has been marked up for repair by KCC

Council email addresses – Clerk to set up alternative addresses for councillors to use.

Shepway area committee representative c/f ask to be included on minutes and agenda

EV Charging points and location- c/f to be discussed at Village Hall AGM in October

Pop Up Events -c/f suggestion for winter social event for residents

Location of Salt Bin -c/f Cllr Wallington to discuss with Village Hall committee

Disabled Parking – c/f should be completed by F&HDC in 2024

Badger Set – no further correspondence received by PC. Prosecution pending

Speedwatch – covered earlier

Local PC – covered earlier

CIL – background information sent to councillors

West Place/play Area mowing – covered earlier

10. ANY FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Buses waiting by school / double decker buses

Bonfire night

Enforcement of zigzag parking restrictions

11. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be 25th September 2023 at 7.15pm in the Village Hall.