

MINUTES OF BORDEN PARISH COUNCIL MONTHLY MEETING ON 15TH DECEMBER 2022

135. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Cllr Harrison, Cllr Broughton, Cllr Emery,
 IN ATTENDANCE: Cllr Sims, Cllr Fassenfelt, Cllr Baldock, Cllr Bolas, Cllr Evans, Cllr Butlin, Cllr Downes, Cllr Hepburn.
 Late attendees: Cllr Jemmett joined at 19:46, Cllr Cole joined at 20:13.

136. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY AND NON-PECFUNARY INTEREST

Parish Hall – Cllr Bolas, Cllr Downes and Cllr Hepburn. Sports Pavilion – Cllr Sims. Planning – Cllr Baldock. Item 9e1 – Cllr Baldock.

137. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Christmas light switch on was enjoyed with excellent attendance and the Chair asked that a letter is sent to the Fete committee to thank them.

It was **RESOLVED** to send a letter from the Parish Council to the Fete Committee thanking them for a well organised event. The letter will be composed by Cllr Sims and sent via the Clerk.

138. TO APPROVE FOR SIGNATURE THE MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING HELD ON 17th November 22 (appendix A).

To note a change to November minutes, item 125 amended typo on Cllr Hepburn's name.

The minutes of 17th November were approved and duly signed by the Chair.

Cllr Fassenfelt noted that regarding item 132/3, planning application ref 22/504800/SUB, on the November minutes that comments were sent to Swale Planning to say, 'all dwellings should have EV charging points', but on the night, it was changed to 'no comment'.

It was **RESOLVED** to ask Swale Planning to add a further comment to this application to say, 'no comment'. It has been noted that the original comments cannot be removed by Swale Planning.

- **139. PUBLIC PARTCIPATION SESSION** The period designated for public participation at a meeting shall not exceed 30 minutes unless directed by the chairman of the meeting, a member of the public shall not speak for more than 5 minutes. A question shall not require a response at the meeting nor start a debate on the question. The chairman of the meeting may direct that a written or oral response be given.
- a. Police/PCSO Awaiting notification of new PCSO.
- b. Parishioners none in attendance.
- c. County/Borough Councillors (a written report must be submitted three days before the meeting).
 Cllr Baldock advised that he will be publicly opposing Bobbing Garden Village, at the Long Hop on 29th December 22 at 7pm.

140. FINANCE

a. **To approve accounting statements for November 2022** - Chair and RFO to sign the bank reconciliation and bank statement balances (appendix B).

The accounting statements for November 22 were approved and duly signed by the Chair and RFO.

b. **To approve the BACS list of accounts for December payment** - Approved signatories to sign the BACs payment list.

| Payee | Budget | Description | Gross | VAT | Net |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------|--------|---------|
| Staff expenses | Clerk salary | Salary | £949.82 | n/a | £949.82 |
| Staff expenses | Clerk expenses | WFH allowance, mileage, stationary | £29.05 | n/a | £29.05 |
| HMRC | PAYE | PAYE costs | £280.73 | n/a | £280.73 |
| Fryer Cleaning & Maintenance | Centenary & Memorial Gdns | Maintenance | £480.00 | £80.00 | £400.00 |

The BACs list for December payment was approved and duly signed by 2 authorised signatories.

| J England | Safety | Playstool safety checks | £60.00 | n/a | £60.00 |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|------------|-----------|-----------|
| Kings Commercial Services | Toilet cleaning | Playstool toilet cleaning | £173.33 | n/a | £173.33 |
| KALC | Training | ILCA for Clerk | £144.00 | £ 24.00 | £120.00 |
| KALC | Training | FILCA for Clerk | £144.00 | £24.00 | £120.00 |
| Playdale | Playstool equip repair | ROSPA repair's part payment Playground | £4,592.93 | £ 765.49 | £3,827.44 |
| Caloo | Playstool equip repair | ROSPA repairs adult equip | £534.00 | £ 89.00 | £445.00 |
| Richard Wilkinson Electrical | Christmas Lights | Visual inspection of Christmas tree | £180.00 | £ 30.00 | £150.00 |
| Greenbarnes Ltd | Notice Board | Wrens Road replacement | £3,393.71 | £ 565.62 | £2,828.09 |
| Sittingbourne Christmas Lights | Grant | Sleigh Rounds | £250.00 | n/a | £250.00 |
| Total direct payments December | | | £11,211.57 | £1,578.11 | £9,633.46 |
| Direct Debits | Budget | Description | Gross | VAT | Net |
| EDF Energy | Electric | Feeder pillar | £16.00 | | £16.00 |
| Waveney IT | IT Costs | Monthly Mailbox charge | £16.67 | £2.78 | £13.89 |
| 02 | IT Costs | Mobile | £13.20 | n/a | £13.20 |
| Npower | Electric | Unmetered supply - revised Oct bill | £57.56 | £2.74 | £54.82 |
| Lloyds Bank | See below | Credit card payment | £185.74 | £25.72 | £160.02 |
| Total DD December payments | | | £289.17 | £31.24 | £257.93 |
| Credit Card Payments | | | | | |
| Рауее | Budget | Description | Gross | VAT | Net |
| Post Office Counters | Postage | Stamps | £3.45 | n/a | £3.45 |
| WH Smith | Stationary | Printing paper | £24.99 | n/a | £24.99 |
| Euroloos | Toilet maintenance | Toilet Maintenance 1 - 31 Oct | £154.30 | £25.72 | £128.58 |
| Lloyds | Charge for card end 3857 ™ | Monthly credit card fee | £3.00 | n/a | £3.00 |
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c. To note year to date accounts and budget spend sent out prior to the meeting.

141. BUSINESS ITEMS

a. Community Assets.

To discuss how to proceed with the completion of the Community Asset Right to Bid form, as there is detail required that would need considerable investigation.

To note this item will be carried forward to the January meeting when Cllr Emery is in attendance.

b. Swale Borough Council (SBC) Parish Footway Lighting Grant.

To note in their draft budget SBC are proposing to reduce the grant that is paid to some Parish Councils towards footway lighting costs, paying 50% of the current grant amount in 2023/24 and 50% in 2024/25 with the grant ceasing in 2025/26. The proposed tapering of the grant is to allow parishes to plan their budget and precept to take account of the reduction in the grant allocation. Based on this new proposal Borden's grant allocation for both 2023/24 and 2024/25 would both be for £2115.00.

Cllr Baldock, commented on the SBC budget challenges leading to cutbacks which include the lighting grants.

Parish Hall legal update (previously noted under items 110d in October minutes and 126bii of the November minutes).
 Cllr Sims gave an update on the Parish Hall document review recently carried out with members of the Parish Council and Parish Hall Trustees and the Clerk. The review found that a Conveyance dated 15/04/87, which was held by the

Parish Hall Trustees, confirmed that the Parish Council are Custodian Trustees as previously noted in the Charity Commission documentation dated 22/04/81. As Custodian Trustee the Parish Council hold the title deeds in trust but do not have input in the day to day running or finances of the Parish Hall, which is the responsibility of the Parish Hall Trustees.

As this additional information has now been located and understood, it is no longer felt necessary to proceed with any of the legal quotes which have been gathered from October Resolution 110d, nor to complete November Resolution 126bii, to go out to the solicitors already contacted with a new set of instructions or contact any further solicitors or SBC legal department regarding this matter.

At present the Parish Hall sits on the Parish Council asset register with a purchase cost of £1,517,756.00. As the Parish Council are Custodian Trustees, it is stated under item 5.121 of the Joint Panel on Accountability & Governance (JPAG), that 'the value of the property must not be shown in the authority's books of account and on the Annual Governance and Accountability Return as authority property. As a Trust asset held by the authority as Custodian Trustee it should be recorded in the authority's asset register and identified there as a 'charity asset held by the authority as trustee', with the value excluded from the total'.

It was also noted any financial support to the Parish Hall in future should be applied for via the Parish Council's grant process.

It was proposed to agree the asset register is changed to zero for the Parish Hall and noted as a Charity asset held by the authority as Trustee.

It was **RESOLVED** to amend the Parish Council asset register for the Parish Hall entry to a zero balance with a comment to state it is vested in the Charity and to notify the internal auditor of this action.

It was proposed to reverse resolution 126bii on November minutes and not seek further legal advice as further information has been found and understood.

It was **RESOLVED** to reverse resolution 126bii, to seek further legal advice due to further information found and understood regarding this matter.

142. COMMITTEE AND WORKING GROUP UPDATES

- a. To receive report from Wises Lane Monitoring Group. Report sent out prior to the meeting and can be found on-line at https://www.bordenparishcouncil.gov.uk/.
 - i. Cllr Fassenfelt updated on the Wises Lane Road closure due from 31/01/23 for 10 weeks, where works will be carried out on the Wises Lane improvement, involves changing the curb alignment south of Brier Road to past Dental Close to where the new Wises Lane development links in, this work will take 18 weeks. KCC Highways said the works have been agreed by KCC street works. At their next meeting the Wises Lane Monitoring Group will ask why so long is needed for the closures and will report back to the full council. It was also noted that as a Parish there has been no consultation on this.
 - ii. Badger survey quotes.

It was **RESOLVED** to agree and proceed with quote one, for survey areas 1 - 4, with a caveat that access is granted to Manor Farmland via a letter to the owner / developer requesting access.

It was **RESOLVED** that regarding the Manor Farm application the clerk writes to SBC planning informing them that we are intending to commission a Badger survey incorporating the Manor Farm development as we believe there are badgers on that site.

Cllr Jemmett joined the meeting at 19:46

b. The Finance Committee - To review the proposed budget for 2023.

There were no comments on the proposed budget which will be finalised when the tax base information is available from SBC, so that the band D equivalent can be calculated. The budget and precept requirement will be brought back to the January meeting for final agreement.

- c. To receive report from Nature Reserve Working Group. Report sent out prior to the meeting and can be found on-line at https://www.bordenparishcouncil.gov.uk/.
- d. Operation Golden Orb the Coronation.

Cllr Jemmett updated that a government message last week noted that there are no organised public events planned centrally for the Coronation but want beacons to be lit on 6th June to commemorate the D-Day 80th anniversary, which he will be looking into along with any appropriate local Coronation celebrations.

e. Neighbourhood Plan Working Group update. No new updates to report.

143. OPEN SPACES

a. To receive an update on the Byelaws.

An update from Cllr Sims confirmed that HM government have found the Borden Byelaws in their archives from 2009 and proposes that they are now sent to SBC to register.

For enforcement of the Byelaws in the relevant areas Cllr Sims will confirm locations of the notice boards. It was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk would send the Byelaws to SBC to register and request inclusion in the swale borough council pleasure grounds, public walks, and open spaces byelaws documentation.

b. To receive an update on The Street / Harmans Corner signpost refurbishment.

Cllr Evans gave an update on the quotes received for the refurbishment of the sign and talked through the differences in the services offered for each quote which included distance, and if the job would be completed entirely or require further input and expense from the Parish Council. Also, the quotes could change subject to metal price cost increases. Cllr Evans also advised that a letter has been sent to Barrett's to understand if this were something that they would consider sponsoring.

Quote 3 was considered the best option and price, which would need to be funded by the Parish Council if sponsorship was not forthcoming.

It was **RESOLVED** to bring this item back to the March meeting, when there should be clarity on sponsorship, and the Clerk will acknowledge and inform the contractor for quote 3 of this decision.

Cllr Cole joined the meeting at 20:13

- c. To note the Jubilee Beacon plaque pattern has been made and is now waiting for the foundry to do the casting so it can be completed.
- d. Oak tree plaque further review of wording prior to quotes being obtained.
 Further to November item 134bi, it was proposed by Cllr Sims that before the Clerk acquires the 3 quotes that the resolution should be amended to include the sponsors names on the plaque wording.
 It was **RESOLVED** to amend November agenda item 134bi, to add the 4 donor names onto the plaque wording in alphabetical order. The plaque will be commissioned subject to the Clerk writing to the donating parties to gain consent to add their names. 2 against resolution.
- Email received from KCC Public Rights of Way Officer regarding 2 applications received under section 53 of the Wildlife & Countryside Act 1981, for comment on by the Parish Council. To note an extension until 16th December has been agreed for comments to be returned (attachments 10, 11, 12, 13 & 14)
 - Re: The Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 Section 53 Claimed footpath running from public footpath ZR210 to Maylam Gardens and around the inside perimeter of the field to Cryalls Lane at Borden, Sittingbourne, Kent, ME10 1YF.

An application has been submitted under Section 53 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 that the Definitive Map of Public Rights of Way should be modified to show at public footpath status a route running from public footpath ZR210 to Maylam Gardens and around the inside perimeter of the field to Cryalls Lane at Borden on the basis of the public having used the route for an uninterrupted period of 20 years.

Cllr Jemmett proposed the Parish Council state that the pathway has been in use for 30 years It was **RESOLVED** the Parish Council state that the pathway has been in use for 30 years by Parishioners and School children. 2 abstentions.

2) Re: The Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 – Section 53.

Claimed footpath running from Wises Lane opposite public footpath ZR120 to its connection with public footpath ZR119 at Borden, Sittingbourne, Kent, ME10 1YN

An application has been submitted by under Section 53 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 that the Definitive Map of Public Rights of Way should be modified to show at public footpath status a route running from Wises Lane opposite public footpath ZR120 to its connection with public footpath ZR119 at Borden, on the basis of the route being shown on historic documentation.

It was **RESOLVED** to comment that the Parish Council agrees that the footpath is historical and cannot see any reason that it cannot continue as a footpath. 6 abstentions.

f. ROSPA repairs of Children's playground equipment.

The ROSPA repairs to the children's play area will take place week commencing 9th January 23, for the repairs to take place the Clerk recommends that the play area should be closed for the duration of the repairs, if agreed how will this be done.

It was **RESOLVED** to not close the park and the contractors reminded of their responsibilities into health and safety and liability.

144. HIGHWAYS

- a. To receive update on Highways matters. Report sent out prior to the meeting and can be found on-line at https://www.bordenparishcouncil.gov.uk/.
 - i. Cllr Fassenfelt updated on the Pond Farm Road ongoing water leak which is now very slippery with current weather conditions. Highways have been in touch with Southeast Water, and they came out on 6th December, but it was too cold for the work to be completed at that time.
 - ii. The provision of a bench at the junction of Mountview and The Street is dependent on KCC removing the bus service. If so, the Council has two choices about the location, either in the bus shelter or just outside the shelter on the originally agreed spot which has KCC permission.

It was **RESOLVED** that the bench would be placed in the bus shelter location. The Clerk will cost the alterations to the current bus shelter to make it fit in.

iii. M2/J5 the recent bad weather has impacted the tarmacking and there will be a delay in opening eastbound slip roads.

Cllr Fassenfelt proposed that a letter is sent to KCC Highways asking for a Safety Risk Assessment of Maidstone Road and Chestnut Street given as this road is used as a diversion.

It was **RESOLVED** that Cllr Fassenfelt would draft a letter to KCC Highways in consultation with Cllrs Bolas, to be sent via the Clerk asking for a Safety Risk Assessment to be carried out for Maidstone Road and Chestnut Street, as this road is used as a diversion.

- iv. Regarding waiting restrictions in The Street, Borden, Cllr Fassenfelt gave an update on the survey results to the proposed extension to 50m. From the 17 letters posted there has now been 6 responses as a further one has been received since the December Highways report was sent out. Out of the 6 there are 4 in support of the extension and 2 objections. The decision on this to be deferred until the next meeting.
- b. Complaint to Gas Transportation Company (GTC) Wises Lane, Borden, Road Closure 6th June to 19th August 22 To note the Clerk has once again chased and asked for an urgent update from GTC Stakeholders on 7th December, and is awaiting a response.

A response has now been received and the Clerk will circulate and carry over to next month.

145. EXTERNAL MEETINGS

- a. Western Area Committee. Report sent prior to meeting, no further comments.
- b. Local Councils Liaison Forum. Report sent prior to meeting, no further Comments.

146. CORRESPONDENCE

- a. Hugo Fox email regarding visibility from the bridleway on Chestnut Street. This has been reported to KCC Highways.
- b. Marie Curie request for support, No comment.

147. PLANNING APPLICATIONS – view on http://pa.midkent.gov.uk/online-applications/

 APPLICATION REF: 22/505222/FULL. Grid: 588339/162909. Address: Borden Post Office 17 The Street Borden Sittingbourne Kent. Proposal: Relocation of stables and construction of a single-storey residential dwelling to the rear of 17 The Street Borden (Resubmission of 22/503059/FULL).

Extension for comments agreed until 16th December.

Cllr Butlin proposed the Parish Council reiterate their objection to 22/7/22 to previous application (note previous comments) – get comments from Nicola.

It was **RESOLVED** to object to this application for the following reasons.

Reasons for refusal of planning on 17 The Street, The Old Post Office.

The Parish Council reiterate their objection on 22^{nd} July 2022 to the previous application.

- It is a conservation area with historic buildings.
- Visibility for access to the highway.
- The in-appropriateness for design of conservation area.
- The destruction of the habitat of the protected species.

Furthermore, the Parish Council would like to bring back to the attention of planners, their comments on the last application, which they refused.

- '...Construction of backland development our of keeping with character of area'
- '...new dwelling outside defined settlement boundary and in the countryside is contrary to national or local policies...'
- The development '...will adversely affect the special character of The Street Conservation Area and to the special interest of nearby listed buildings...'
- '...there were not considered to be any solutions to resolve this conflict'

It is also noted that the Architect's Client are a limited company, listed as their nature of business being 'Other letting and operating of own or leased real estate.'

The Parish Council are concerned that a precedent would be made for further development on this sizeable piece of land if planning permission were granted.

 APPLICATION REF: 22/505498/FULL, Grid: 588846/162860. Address: 140 Borden Lane Borden Kent ME9 8HR Proposal: Erection of a two storey with room in the roof, 5-bedroom house, including widening of access drive (Revision of Planning Application ref: 22/501804/FULL) Comments due 15th December extension agreed until 19th December. It was **RESOLVED** to have no comment.

3) APPLICATION No: 22/503623/FULL. Proposal: Change of use of barn from agricultural to B8 storage and distribution use, with associated office space (retrospective). Location: Hooks Hole Farm School Lane Borden Kent To Note The above planning application will be reported to the Planning Committee meeting of the Council to be held at The Appleyard, Avenue of Remembrance, Sittingbourne on 08/12/22 at 7pm. It was noted only.

4) APPLICATION No: 21/503914/EIOUT - updated version (attachment 20).

Location: Land South and East of Sittingbourne Kent Proposal: Southern Site. Outline Planning Application for the phased development of up to 577.48 hectares at Highsted Park, Land to the South and East of Sittingbourne, Kent, comprising of up to 7,150 residential dwellings including sheltered / extra care accommodation (Use Class C2 and Use Class C3). Up to 170,000 sq m / 34 hectares of commercial, business and service / employment floorspace (Use Class B2, Use Class B8 and Use Class E), and including up to 2,800 sq m of hotel (Use Class C1) floorspace. Up to 15,000 sq m / 1.5 hectares for a household waste recycling Centre. Mixed use local Centre and neighbourhood facilities including commercial, business and employment floorspace (Use Class E), non-residential institutions (Use Class F1) and local community uses (Use Class F2) floorspace, and Public Houses (Sui Generis). Learning institutions including primary and secondary schools (Use Class F1(a)). Open space, green

infrastructure, woodland, and community and sports provision (Use Class F2(c)). Highways and infrastructure works including the provision of a new motorway junction to the M2, a Highsted Park Sustainable Movement Corridor (inc. a Sittingbourne Southern Relief Road), and new vehicular access points to the existing network; and associated groundworks, engineering, utilities, and demolition works.

It was **RESOLVED** to object to this application for the following reasons.

Views of Borden Parish Council:

A development of this size is quite inappropriate for Sittingbourne and has the following detailed objections:

- > The proposal is outside the Swale Local Plan. This is a key point to any future development within Swale to ensure that appropriate allocations meet proposed and current local needs including service/consumer availability.
- There is insufficient affordable housing which should have a minimum of 40%. There should also be more provision of housing for the elderly, and those with disabilities.
- Health and well-being services are severely stretched in Sittingbourne. Swale has the lowest doctor/patient ratio in the country which is of great concern. By way of example the Chestnut surgery in East Street, Sittingbourne has been advertising for a doctor for two years without success. The developer simply proffering medical buildings and funding is not acceptable when GPs are not available for this area and the Health Authority are unable to staff any proposed facility as has been proven with the Wises Lane development.
- Water supply is of great concern. This part of Kent suffers drought during the summer months with water shortage not being addressed for the current housing not to mention this vast development. There is no planning for a new reservoir within this proposal. We are concerned that in the absence of further reservoir construction the continued extraction of water from the chalk aquifers which would supply this development is unsustainable. Chalk aquifers take

years to recharge and have been failing to reach normal long term average levels for many years as a result of excessive extraction. This has a detrimental effect on protected chalk streams and the habitat. They support, freshwater springs and ultimately the water supply to homes and businesses.

- Current sewerage treatment centres within Swale are inadequate to cater for so many houses. Again, this application does not state how this would be addressed.
- There will be a loss of productive land and associated jobs within the current farming of this area. This is Grade 1 agricultural farmland. DEFRA figures state that 1 hectare of this quality land can produce over 9 tonnes of wheat annually so this vast area of development of some 577 hectares would yield some 5,200 tons of wheat a year. With Brexit and an unknown future trade deals our food supply is unpredictable therefore we need all the Grade 1 agricultural farmland we can get for our own production.
- The proposed development is of a scale entirely out of character to the existing landscape and would be detrimental to the character of this rural landscape. Much of the land proposed for development is designated as an area of High Landscape Value. The value of the countryside must be protected, and this is supported by the Local Plan and NPPF Policies.
- The ecological impact would be considerable. Ancient woodland and the Highsted Quarries local wildlife site would be lost. There is a need for detailed provision to ensure that the badger sets in the area remain viable with sufficient area to forage.
- Proposals are required to maintain varied habitat and provide wildlife corridors for birds, bats, hedgehogs, and other resident wildlife. The skylarks currently resident in this area are particularly vulnerable.
- This proposal would also have a negative impact on a number of conservation areas and listed buildings including churches in the area.
- If this development was allowed to go ahead, then there would be pressure to develop further farming land between Sittingbourne and the M2 particularly that within the Parish of Borden.
- This proposal would nearly double the population of Sittingbourne and with it the number of vehicles which would use an already overcrowded local road network. The standard of air quality in the area would also decline. Air quality would be drastically reduced with the increase of traffic coupled with the loss of vegetation. The rat run corridors would expose residents to poor quality emissions from subsequent vehicular traffic.
- There is no need for a new junction on the M2 given existing conditions and the only justification for it is because of this development.

Given the above objections the Borden Parish Council urge Swale Borough Council to refuse this planning application.

148. **REPORTS AND MINUTES FROM EXTERNAL REPRESENTATIVES** (Reports to be circulated prior to meeting).

- a. Kent Association of Local Councils Cllr Baldock, reports circulated as received.
- b. Borden Sports Association Cllr Sims. Report sent out prior to the meeting and can be found on-line at https://www.bordenparishcouncil.gov.uk/.
 - i. The Pavilion heating installation has been investigated with 2 initial quotes being obtained giving different options for consideration.

Option 1 – Air conditioning (air sourced heat pump), this can be temperature controlled and has an additional annual cost of £240.00 a year for 2 services, which the Sports Association would ask the Parish Council to fund.

Option 2 - Infrared heating, for this the only temperature control would be low, medium, or high, and could be up to double the running cost of option 1.

It was proposed to go with option 1, as the running costs would be best value, the Clerk advised that 2 further quotes for this option would be required as per Financial Regulation 11.8.

It was **RESOLVED** to go for option 1 and override Financial Regulation 11.8 as the Council perceive as a specialised service.

It was **RESOLVED** that the Parish Council will fund the 2 services required a year for the air sourced heat pump in option 1.

C. Heritage – Cllr Harrison. Report sent out prior to the meeting and can be found on-line at https://www.bordenparishcouncil.gov.uk/.

Standing orders suspended at 21:42

- d. Borden Parish Hall Cllr Hepburn. Report sent out prior to the meeting and can be found on-line at https://www.bordenparishcouncil.gov.uk/.
 - i. Cllr Downes updated on the Parish Hall insurance premium, he has spoken directly with the insurance company and has now agreed the original payment of £2,307.12 will be made to the Parish Council.

Cllr Hepburn expressed concerns over the Parish Hall liability cover and the Clerk read an extract from an email dated 22/11/22 to the Insurance brokers, Hiscock's where they respond confirming the Parish Hall is covered under indemnity on the current insurance policy.

ii. Toilet refurbishment phase 1 – the ladies toilets will be funded by Parish Hall and they will apply for grant for the next phases.

149. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION ONLY

- a. Matters for information circulated to Councillors.
- b. To receive any reports from Councillors.

Cllr Butlin congratulated Cllr Sims on his proposal that went to NALC & KALC. Cllr Downes has passed the speedwatch equipment over to the new volunteer.

Meeting closed at 21:53

NEXT MEETING TO BE HELD 19th January 2023

Agreed and signed;

Clive Sims Chair