



Sedlescombe Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council
on Tuesday 21st March 2023 at 19:00 Sedlescombe Village Hall, CR2

Council Meeting Minutes

Cllrs Present:

Pauline Glew (PG), D Caney (DC), Lindy Latreille (LL), J Saull-Hunt (JSH), Nikki Moore (NM) part time left at 8pm.
Parish and District Cllr. Jonathan Vine-Hall (Chairman of the Parish Council) (JVH).
Mrs Jackie Scarff (JS) (Clerk/RFO)
District and County Cllr C Maynard (CM) part time

Public participation session re matters on the Agenda at the Chairman's discretion.

There were no members of the public.

End of public participation.

Item	Agenda Item (C22.)	
46	To receive and accept Apologies (LGA 1972 s85 (1)) B Coupar (BC) & R Chapman (RC) for personal reasons	
47	Interests in accordance with the Localism Act 2011 and the Parish Council Code of Conduct. i To receive councillors' declarations of interest regarding matters on the agenda and consider any written requests for dispensation as a result. There were no interests declared. To grant any requests for dispensation as appropriate. ii There were no requests. Reminder any changes to register of interests should be notified to the clerk immediately.	
48	To receive questions from members on reports from the District and County Councillors There were no questions. JVH thanked CM for his report.	
49	Public participation session re matters on the Agenda at the Chairman's discretion. There were no members of the public.	
50	To consider the minutes of the full council meeting 17th January 2023 for confirmation and signing as a true record. Resolved that the Chairman be authorised to sign the minutes of the Full Council meeting 17 th January 2023 as a true record.	
51	If the committee wishes to exclude the public for a particular agenda item, the following resolution must be passed: 'That under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 S1(2), the public and representatives of the press and broadcast media be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following items of business as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.' There was no requirement to pass this resolution.	
52	To receive for review with a recommendation for adoption the following policy Dignity at Work Resolved that the Dignity at Work policy be adopted as presented.	
53	To Consider passing a resolution to sign up to the Civility and Respect Pledge. Resolved the council will adopt the civility and respect pledge.	
54	To consider the contents of a letter from Hadlow Down Parish Council regarding East Sussex Highways and agree a response if appropriate.	

	Resolved the council agreed to support Hadlow Down Parish Council.	
55	To discuss and agree any priorities to be given to the PCSO's Resolved to ask if there could be some visibility at school drop off and pick up times and during the annual assembly, particularly around Park Shaw, Gorselands.	
56	To present the current outstanding resolutions and agree any actions required. The pole on The Green hasn't yet been moved. BT's contractor was going to try and do it while the road was closed. The clerk is awaiting further information. The new lines on the MUGA at EVT will be done once the last of the frosts have gone. Website progression has been slow but the clerk will add more information.	
57	To discuss whether the council thinks it appropriate to grant precept funds to Charity organisations. Resolved: The cllrs agreed that the role of the Parish Council is to provide services in the village for the community and not a grant giving body. They agreed that it would be appropriate to support the bus services as many residents rely on this and the friendship group. For Charitable organisations that support the village the Parish Council can support them in other ways by advertising their cause.	
58	To agree a proposal to register for the NALC Local Council Award Scheme – Foundation Level at a cost of £80. Resolved: The clerk to register for the foundation level NALC Local Council Award Scheme.	
59	To hear an update on the traffic calming project and agree any actions required. JVH explained that the Rother CIL panel approved the councils application for match funding towards the traffic calming project. The funds will become available when the CIL from village housing development becomes available and the offer is valid for four years. The clerk explained that the next stage is to develop a detailed brief that can be used by structural engineers to develop 3D drawings of the project that can be used in tender documents. A small team will meet to develop the brief. Clerk to organise.	
60	To receive a report from the Sports and Recreation ground Committee and agree any actions required. DC reported that the hedging and trees awarded by the Woodland Trust have arrived. This will be planted asap. The carpark clearance has been done and now surfacing needs to be considered to prevent regrowth. The croquet club have been in touch asking whether it would be feasible for them to return to Sedlescombe and the committee will be discussing this at their next meeting. The committee are also discussing whether the grassy area by Riverside MUGA could be used. The committee is investigation the cost of having the mobile unit in the carpark removed and replaced like for like. DC has fitted some non slip grips on the sports pavilion steps.	
61	To hear a request for the Parish Council to fund the legal work required to write part of the proposed new constitution required to change to a CIO. JVH explained that the Village Hall Trust want to change their charitable status to a CIO. The Parish Council have raised some questions regarding the long-term protection of the village asset. The council will await feedback from the Village Hall Trust.	
62	Finance and Audit To receive the monthly statement of accounts to 28 th February 2023 for noting The monthly statement was issued in advance and was noted. To receive the bank reconciliation to 28 th February 2023 for noting The bank reconciliation was issued in advance and was Noted To receive a list of payments to be approved Resolved The payments were approved and the clerk was authorised to submit the payments to the online banking system.	

	<p>To agree that the clerk moves up one point on the national pay scales after achieving the CiLCA qualification. Resolved that in accordance with the clerks contract it was agreed that the pay scale is increased by one point.</p> <p>To give permission for the clerk to buy the new clerks manual & Yellow book. Resolved that the clerk can purchase the books.</p>	
63	<p>Reports, Correspondence, Questions and Future agenda items not requiring decisions. Red Barn Field – PG is looking for a farmer who will cut and bale the field. Monthly Meeting with the PCSOs Nothing to report. Sedlescombe Jobs Network Nothing to report.</p>	
62	<p>Date of next meeting. To note the date of the next Finance Committee meeting is Tuesday 18th April 2023 at 7pm CR2 To note the date of the Annual Meeting of the Full Council meeting is Tuesday 23rd May 2023 at 7pm CR2.</p> <p>The meeting closed at 20.42</p>	