



# Sedlescombe Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council  
on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2022 at 19:00 Sedlescombe Village Hall, CR2

## Council Meeting Minutes

### Cllrs Present:

Pauline Glew (PG), Beverley Coupar (BC); Roy Chapman (RC). D Caney (DC), Jackie Saull-Hunt(JSH); 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

Item	Agenda Item (C22.)	
46	<b>To receive and accept Apologies (LGA 1972 s85 (3))</b> Apologies were received and accepted from Sally Sidgwick (SS); N Moore (NM) for personal reasons.	
47	<b>To receive questions from members on reports from the District and County Councillors</b> JVH thanked CM for his report. DC asked who is responsible for clearing back the hedges on the B2244 travelling from Long Lane towards the village hall. CM confirmed that it would depend on the position of the hedges but he could raise it with ESCC Highways.	
48	<b>Interests in accordance with 2012 Code of Conduct</b> <b>To receive councillors' declarations of interest regarding matters on the agenda and consider any written requests for dispensation as a result. Any changes to register of interests should be notified to the clerk.</b> There were no declarations of interest.	
49	<b>Public participation session re matters on the Agenda at the Chairman's discretion.</b> There were no members of the public at the meeting.	
50	<b>To consider for approval the minutes of the full council meeting 11<sup>th</sup> May 2022.</b> Resolved the minutes were approved and a true record and duly signed by the chairman.	
51	<b>If the committee wishes to exclude the public for a particular agenda item, the following resolution must be passed:</b> 'That under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, 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	<b>Highway Matters</b> <b>To receive an update and agree any actions required.</b> DC reported that the traffic calming project survey had been closed and there were approximately 200 replies. The council agreed that it would be a good idea to have an independent company analyse the results. Resolved that the clerk organise analysis of the survey. The clerk was asked to find out if there was any interim information available from the ESCC Highways engineer. It was agreed that the black cat should be removed from its current place, re charged and put up on the green to assess the volume and speed traffic. It was suggested that a new highways licence be applied for a site by the Brickwall in Brede Lane. The clerk was asked to buy two more sets of clips for new sites.	
53	<b>To receive an update on the Playground Project and agree any actions required.</b> The cllrs had been updated on the playground project by the Trust. There was a question about CCTV up to monitor the playground. The clerk advised that this would be very difficult due to child protection laws. It was agreed that there would be no CCTV installed.	

54	<p><b>To receive an update on the South East Water project and agree any actions required.</b> The cllrs had been updated by the Trust.</p>	
55	<p><b>To discuss and agree timings for the next bulletin.</b> Resolved that the next bulleting be circulated mid/late September Cllrs were asked to submit articles by 15<sup>th</sup> August to the clerk.</p>	
56	<p><b>To discuss and agree any priorities to be given to the PCSO's</b> The clerk will send the PCSO's information document for each cllrs to update the information. The clerk will collate the data and update the document. The cllrs agreed that visibility by the school at pickup and drop off times.</p>	
57	<p><b>To present the current outstanding resolutions and agree any actions required.</b> The removal of the BT pole: There is no confirmed date but BT have accepted that the pole should not have been placed on The Green and agreed that it will be removed. The wires will go underground across The Green and the residents affected have agreed how the wiring will attach to their buildings. The wayleave has been signed. EVT MUGA – the clerk is organising a meeting with the appointed contractor. Email Switching has all been done. Uniserve are now hosting the website and have control of it. The cost of updating the current website will be a few thousand pounds. If they set a new word press website it will be less than £1000, The clerk highlighted that Uniserve had set up a new website for Chidingly and asked the cllrs to have a look at it to agree that it could be used as a model. Resolved that the clerk ask Uniserve to create a new website.</p>	
58	<p><b>Finance and Audit</b> To receive the monthly statement of accounts to 30<sup>th</sup> June 2022 The statement of accounts was sent out in advance and it was noted that the total balance of accounts was £198,716.06 as at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2022 To receive the bank reconciliation to 30<sup>th</sup> June 2022 The bank reconciliation was received in advance and it was noted that the cashbook balance at Unity Trust Bank £73,793.59. To consider for approval invoices received. Resolved that the invoices presented be paid, the expected invoice from Kompan be paid when it comes in, the invoice to pay for the Circus deposit be paid, and the expenses from Cllr Glew handed to the clerk be included in the months payments.</p>	
59	<p><b>Reports, Correspondence, Questions and Future agenda items not requiring decisions.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) <b>Red Barn Field</b> – the farmer has cut and baled the field. He is retiring and the council will need to find someone else for next year. PG reported that she is still trying to find someone who may be able to graze their sheep on the field. RC reported that a small sycamore hedge n=will need pruning in the autumn.</li> <li>b) <b>Monthly Meeting with the PCSOs</b> – RC has sent on the latest reports and the next meeting will be in September.</li> <li>c) <b>Sedlescombe Jobs Network</b> – no news.</li> <li>d) JVH reported that the fibre to home project he has been working on will be installed by the end of August, significantly improving broadband speeds for a large part of the village. He has also run two other projects at the same time.</li> <li>e) Jubilee – the RDC grant has been received. PG was congratulated for organising a really good event for the village.</li> </ul>	
63	<p><b>Date of next meeting.</b> <b>To note the date of the next meeting's:</b> <b>Tuesday 20th September 2022 at 7pm CR2 Finance Committee Meeting.</b> <b>Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2022 at 7pm CR2 Full Council meeting.</b></p> <p><b>The meeting closed at 19:44</b></p>	