**DANEHILL PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the public meeting preceding the Council meeting held on Thursday 28th September 2017, at Chelwood Gate Hall.**

Present: T. Blake (TB), C. Crouch (CC), A. Goodburn (AG), D. Birchell (DB,) N. Macleod (NM) and R. Lewis (RL).

In addition there were also members of the public present.

Emma Fulham Clerk to the Council was in attendance.

The Chairperson of the Parish Council, Andrew Goodburn (AG), opened the meeting at 7:30pm.

**Public**

Rhiannon Edwards and her planning consultant Patrick Coffey spoke of the plans for Mill Lane Barn Application 2017/2027 the reasons for demolition and the calculations for the new scale.

Michael May spoke against the application highlighting the scale and design.

There was a presentation from South East Water on the planned works and closure of Freshfield Lane. Questions were answered and all updates would be posted on the site specific website link which would be provided to the Council to publicise.

There was a query about the fingerposts –This would feature on the agenda.

There was a query on the recent Fairfax correspondence on a potential development in Chelwood Gate - The Council confirmed the WDC response that there were no planning applications submitted for the site. Cllrs Roundell and Galley confirmed any development was unlikely under the current local plan and forest restrictions. The Clerk would forward the WDC response to Cllr Roundell.

**Report from Cllr Galley:**

He reported on the 12 week consultation on the library service which would result in seven libraries closing and the end of the mobile library service.

He reported on the campaign to improve the attendance at East Sussex schools

Finally he reported on the request of WDC Chairman to find couples celebrating seventy years of marriage to get in touch as part of the Royal anniversary celebrations.

**Report from Cllr Roundell**

He reported on crematorium plans with work to commence shortly to complete by November 2018.

He reported on the WDC housing company, the first development would be on a brown field WDC owned site in Crowborough.

Finally he reported on the increase in rural crime particularly in Piltdown.

The public meeting closed at 8:15pm and the Parish Council meeting commenced.

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Absent: A. Pattison (AP) and A. Martorana (AM)

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42. To accept apologies and reason for absence.

A. Pattison (AP) (Holiday) and A. Martorana (AM) (Work)

43. To receive Declarations of pecuniary and declarable Interests from members in respect of any matter on the agenda... To approve as a true record and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 20th July 2017.

**Proposed by RL seconded by NM and unanimously approved**

44. To deal with matters arising from the minutes of the meeting held on 20th July 2017.

The hall floor had been repaired and paid for by the Parish Council. There was a request to light and resurface the path.

The burial ground would be deferred to a future meeting.

The war memorial required some repairs to the posts – The Clerk would arrange.

Electrical outlet at pavilion would be reviewed as part of the ongoing facilities review.

Co option was outstanding and would be reviewed when candidates came forward. The vacancy would be advertised accordingly.

The Jubilee Green works were complete but it was suggested that a further hard core path was added at a later date.

45. Correspondence List.

The list had been circulated prior to the meeting.

The correspondence from ESCC on the yellow line consultation and a request for a meeting was discussed. Unfortunately no one could meet at such short notice to discuss the concerns of parking moving onto Freshfield Lane. The Parish Council thought it would only be possibly two cars which might move to Freshfield Lane and could review this in time if there was a problem.

The Ashdown Forest funding presentation would be scheduled for November.

46. Finance.

(i) To report on account year to date 2017/18

AG reported on the account which had been circulated prior to the meeting. The account was tracking to budget.

There were no further queries.

(ii) To accept expenditure list.

**This had been circulated totalling £8390.50 or new payments and additional payments totalling £9317.31 were unanimously approved.**

(iii) To ratify Finance Committee Minutes.

**Duly ratified.**

(iv) To consider Ear Marked reserve movements

None

(v) To accept bank reconciliation.

**Duly accepted.**

47.To consider PAT testing proposal.

The costs and benefits were outlined. The Clerk was asked to get a cost for hiring equipment versus purchase. TB was happy in principle to service local facilities.

**The item was deferred until a cost for hire could be provided.**

48. To consider expenditure on roundabout at Danehill – replacement or repair quote from original manufacturer circulated.

**The Parish Council agreed to arrange repairs to the equipment using the manufacturer Wickstead at a cost of £1942.26 plus VAT.**

49. To receive Highways proposals update.

The feasibility study had been paid for School Lane.

There had been delays from ESCC re licensing locations for the speed indicator device. After a complaint it was hoped this would now be expedited and granted.

50. To receive facilities reviews updates and consider next steps

The Chair outlined progress to date and the next stage.

**A working party was agreed – AG, AM, AP and RL to draw out the conclusions and propose some options for a short survey to the Parish. This would be put before the full Council in regards to content and costs at the next meeting.**

51.To receive reports from Parish Councillors.

CC reported on the market surgery on 18th November.

Ashdown Forest Conservators had provided a report to the Council and would be presenting on 19th October.

There was a Weald link meeting in two weeks time.

DB reported on the coffee morning on Saturday and quiz on 18th November. Other events can be posted on the PC website if provided to the Clerk.

52. To consider meeting schedule dates and locations for 2018.

The Council agreed to meet in DHMH alternately with CGVH if available. It was agreed that the current location of alternate meetings at the School was not ideal and that if different days were necessary to accommodate the change of location this would be agreeable.

**The Clerk was asked to get availability from DHMH and costs and draw up a proposal for meeting dates for 2018 to be agreed at the next meeting.**

53. To consider Planning Applications if applicable.

**Application No. WD/2017/2101/F**

Location: THE GABLES, BEACONSFIELD ROAD,

CHELWOOD GATE, RH17 7LE

Description: CONSTRUCTION OF A CAR PORT, SWIMMING POOL AND POOL

BUILDING IN ASSOCIATION WITH THE MAIN DWELLING AND

RELATED HARD AND SOFT LANDSCAPING.

**The Parish Council supports the application subject to neighbour’s approval.**

**Application No. WD/2017/2022/F**

Location: MILL LANE BARN, MILL LANE,

FURNERS GREEN, TN22 3RN

Description: DEMOLITION OF EXISTING DETACHED DWELLING AND

OUTBUILDINGS AND ERECTION OF DETACHED REPLACEMENT

DWELLINGHOUSE

**The Parish Council objects to the application in terms of its increase scale and positioning and using expired planning permission and demolition of non domestic outbuildings to calculate what can be built as a new residential property is simply unacceptable. The Parish Council notes no garaging is planned with the new application however is concerned once built another application would be sought to replace the demolished outbuildings.**

54. To consider newly submitted planning applications

**Application No. WD/2017/1336/F**

Location: THE STUDIO GARDE, WYCH CROSS, FOREST ROW, RH18 5JN

Description: DEMOLITION OF EXISTING DWELLING, CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW 4-

BEDROOM TWO STOREY DWELLING.CHANGE OF USE OF ADJOINING

LAND TO RESIDENTIAL CURTILAGE.

**The Parish Council objects to the application in terms of scale and positioning within the Forest. The plans are unhelpful and not clear. The proposal for ingress of residential curtilage is also an unwelcome proposal in the protected forest area.**

**Date of next meeting 19th October 2017 Danehill School.**

**Meeting closed at 9:50pm**