



MINUTES OF THE MEETING of Hadlow Down Parish Council  
held in Hadlow Down Village Hall, Hadlow Down  
at 7pm on Tuesday 30th April 2019.

Present: Councillors Sandra Richards (SR)(Chair), Julian Michaelson-Yeates (JMY), Damon Wellman (DW) and Rachel Lewis (RL). The Clerk Helen Johnson was in attendance.

25. **PUBLIC QUESTIONS** - nothing raised.

26. **APOLOGIES AND REASON FOR ABSENCE** - were received from Cllrs Lunn and Turner, these were noted.

27. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** – none were declared.

28. **PLANNING:**

i. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS:**

a. WD/2019/0454/F – LAUREL COTTAGE, WILDERNESS LANE, TN22 4HU – Single storey side extension. Details received to show amended design, orientation and height. – The Parish Council support the amended application as it is less intrusive than the previous application. (4/0)

ii. **APPROVED PLANNING APPLICATIONS:**

- a. WD/2019/0278/F – 2 Wheelers Lane – construction of rear single storey extension;
- b. WD/2018/1876/FR – Spring Bank, Heathfield Road, Five Ashes, TN20 6JJ – retrospective application for a change of use of part of an existing building from office and workspace to kitchen and lounge.
- c. WD/2019/0200/LDE – Riverside House, Riverside – Outbuilding used as ancillary residential accommodation. Ground floor is split between a gym and general storage with the first floor being used as a games/play room.
- d. WD/2019/0052/F – Mickleton Cottage, Wilderness Lane, TN22 4HX – Existing single storey side addition to be demolished and replaced with two storey side addition.

iii. **PLANNING MATTERS:**

- a. Correspondence regarding Men's Shed planning application – the Clerk advised that Cllr Michaelson-Yeates had been invited to meet with Heathfield and District Age Concern regarding their planning application for a Men's Shed. The Clerk has responded advising that it would be more appropriate for them to attend the Parish Council (PC) meeting when the application is discussed.
- b. Response to WD/2019/0610/FR, Hadlow House Farm, Main Road was made in accordance with standing orders prior to this meeting – The Parish Council supports the application, they feel that there is no impact on amenities or neighbouring properties.
- c. Extension to Wilderness Wood car park – the Clerk advised that WDC were investigating.

29. **FINANCE MATTERS :**

- i. CIL payment – it was confirmed that £106.40 had been received, the Clerk will transfer into a CIL reserves fund. Clerk
- ii. Grant from WDC Community Clean-ups fund – the PC ratified the decision to apply for the grant and agreed the expenditure, the Chair will purchase the items. Cllr Lewis agreed to produce a report at the end of the project which will be copied to the Clerk. RL
- iii. The Parish Council ratified the payments of £160.26 to Simon P Goacher for payroll services, £1800.00 grant to Hadlow Down Playing Field Association and £468.60 to Europlants Ltd for grounds maintenance services, that were paid prior to this meeting.
- iv. Grant from WDC for play area improvements - the PC agreed to apply for the grant. The Chair has met with a contractor to discuss the removal of the tunnels in order that the new equipment can be installed. The PC will obtain quotes for the ground works, removal of trees and new surfacing. 2 Councillors are due to meet a play equipment provider at the play area. It was agreed, due to the short timescale, for the Clerk to email the PC with details of the grant application and for them to respond direct to her. The Chair confirmed that

she had updated the Chair of the Playing Field Committee on the plans for the area. *The Clerk and Cllr Lewis will prepare and submit the application.*

**Clerk/RL**

- 30. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT:** The following payments were agreed and cheques were signed:
- i. Mrs L. McConachie £40.00 play equipment inspection;
  - ii. East Sussex County Council £376.80 urban grass cuts
- Further payments to Mr C Stevenson for £150 for IT support and Ms E Richards for £32.51 to replace cheque no. 101770 for domain renewal, were also signed and will be ratified at the next meeting.
- 31. WEALDEN LOCAL PLAN** – submission of further statements – it was felt that there was nothing further to add to the PC's previous response.
- 32. CRIME & DISORDER ACT 1998 Section 17** – nothing raised.
- 33. DEFIBRILLATOR BATTERY** – the Clerk confirmed that the battery had been checked and that there were no issues.
- 34. The following item was discussed in closed session**
- CLERKS EMPLOYMENT** – a discussion was held and agreement made on the recruitment and package for a new Clerk.

**The meeting closed at 8:05pm**