# **Birling Parish Council**

### Minutes of Meeting held on Tuesday 17 March 2015 in Birling Village Hall at 8pm

**Present:** Councillors Mrs Jacquie Westwood (Chair) Mr Ron Nudd (Vice Chair)

Mr Colin Grimmett Mr Guy Nevill

Mrs Sylvia Spooner

and Mrs Grimmett (Clerk)

### 1 Apologies for Absence and Declarations of Interest

County Clirs Sarah Hohler and Matthew Balfour, Clir Helen Walker and PCSO Bullen

### 2 Reports

**County** Mrs Hohler's report was placed in the bag for circulation.

**Borough** Matthew Balfour & Ann Kemp's report was placed in the bag for circulation. **Crime** Nothing had been reported by PCSO Bullen but the shed belonging to one of the councillors living in Ryarsh Road had been broken into the previous week. Several electrical garden tools had been taken but were recovered from a neighbour's garden. Shed breakins had also been reported in Trosley.

**Parish Partnership Panel** Cllr Westwood had attended and minutes had been circulated. Matters raised included Centenary Fields, changes to the Care Act, KCC's consultation on proposals to update libraries, registration and archive services and KCC Supporting Independence & Opportunity. Information on these subjects was placed in the bag for circulation.

### 3 Approval and Signing of Minutes of Previous Month's Meeting

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 17 February 2015 be **APPROVED** and **SIGNED** by the Chair.

### 4 Matters arising and last month's circulation

#### (a) Defibrillator

The forms for Mrs Hohler's Member Grant had been completed and £1000 had subsequently been granted and received. The Clerk had emailed the provider confirming their attendance at the APA in April but had not yet had a reply.

### (b) Light at Parsons Corner

The light had been replaced and the box on the light pole opposite the church had been resealed. Costs were £330 + VAT for the light and £75 + VAT call out charge.

#### (c) Village Hall Car Park

The Clerk and Cllr Westwood had corresponded with PCSO Bullen about the nitrus oxide canisters found in the Village Hall car park and she and her colleagues would continue to include the car park in their patrols. Further suggestions to deter this behaviour had been forwarded to the Village Hall Committee.

### (d) Any other matters arising.

Nothing was raised under this heading.

### 5 Parish Business for Decision

#### (a) Any other business for decisions

Cllr Westwood said that the councillor application form link had been emailed to her by TMBC and went through the application process. Cllr Spooner had received the email but

the other councillors had not and Cllr Westwood would forward the link to them. Nothing further was raised under this heading.

### 6 Open Forum

Members of the public who had recently moved to the village asked if there were recycling bins in the village and were advised that paper, tins and garden and kitchen waste were collected bi weekly and that glass and plastic could be taken to collection points at Tesco Lunsford Park and West Malling and Asda Kings Hill.

#### 7 Correspondence

Cllr Westwood had received information on Stroke Services including a poster to be put on the noticeboard. Info in the bag for circulation.

#### 8 Financial Matters

# (a) Monthly accounts, statements & PAYE records to be signed

Monthly reconciliation sheet, bank statement and PAYE forms signed.

### (b) Cheques

The following cheques were signed:

| 1376 | PSR Lighting & Signs Lt | td Light repair                                 | £486.00 |
|------|-------------------------|---|---------|
| 1377 | Birling Village Hall CT | Hire of Hall                                    | £42.00  |
| 1378 | HMRC                    | PAYE  | £195.00 |
| 1379 | Mrs Grimmett            | March salary & expenses                         | £330.34 |
|      | (ti                     | is includes cost of KALC Audit training £25.00) |         |

### (c) Any other financial business

The Clerk advised that she will be attending a KALC Audit training session on 19/3/2015 Year end figures and budget for 2015-2016 to be completed for April's meeting.

### 9 Roads

### (a) JPCTCG

Cllr Grimmett will attend the meeting on 19 March.

# (b) Any other roads business

The Clerk had reported that SID is facing the wrong way to Kent Highways. Cllr Grimmett asked the Clerk to question why Kent Highways needed to wait until the summer to repaint white lines as other areas had had work done recently eg East Malling. Several councillors had noticed HGVs belonging among others to Gallaghers parking on the pavement at the bottom of Birling Road outside the entrance to Leybourne Grange. The Clerk was asked to contact Taylor Wimpey, TMBC and PCSO Bullen.

### 10 Planning

## New Applications:

TM/15/00488/RM TQ 567850 159463

Applicant: Taylor Wimpey Ltd Location: Leybourne Grange

Proposal: Reserved matters for phase 5 pusuant to TM/12/03238/FLEA for the

erection of 118 dwellings, access roads, parking, landscaping, drainage

& lighting

BPC: No objections

TM/15/00284/FL TQ 569401 160666

Applicant: Mrs E Janz

Location: Sandhole Farm, Sandhole, Snodland ME6 5LG

Proposal: Demolition of pet crematorium, part conversion and part new build of

redundant veterinary surgery building to from single dwelling and garage

BPC: No objections

Cllr Nevill declared an interest in this item and took no part in the discussion

TM/15/00697/TNCA TQ 567666 160234

Applicant: Birling Farms

Location: 2 Clacketts Farm, Ryarsh Rod

Proposal: Various work to trees to allow more lightto properties and clear overhead

lines

BPC: No objections

**Decisions:** 

TM/14/03781/RD TQ 567887 159226

Applicant: Taylor Wimpey UK Ltd & The Homes & Community Agency

Proposal: Details submitted pursuant to TM/12/03238/FLEA

Location: Leybourne Grange Hospital

BPC: No objections TMBC: Agreed 27/2/2015

TM/14/03780/RM TQ 567887 159226

Applicant: Taylor Wimpey UK Ltd & The Homes & Community Agency

Proposal: Reserved matters application for phase 3a pursuant to TM/12/03238/FL

for the erection of 78 dwellings etc

Location: Leybourne Grange Hospital

BPC: No objections TMBC: Agreed 27/2/2015

TM/15/00090/RD TQ 567887 159226

Applicant: Taylor Wimpey UK Ltd & The Homes & Community Agency

Location: Leybourne Grange Hospital

Proposal: Details submitted pursuant to condition 4

BPC: No objections

TM/15/00119/FL TQ 567952 160377

Applicant: Mrs N Yates

Location: 6 The Close, Birling, ME19 5WJ

Proposal: Demolish conservatory and erect double storey extension and side facing

dormer window

BPC: No objections

TM14/03753/RM TQ 567887 159226

Applicant: Taylor Wimpey UK Ltd & The Homes & Community Agency
Proposal: Reserved matters application for Phase 4 (access, appearance,

landscaping, layout and scale) pursuant to TM/12/03238/FLEA for the erection of 230 dwellings and associated car parking, landscaping,

drainage & lighting.

Location: Leybourne Grange Hospital

BPC: No objections TMBC: Approved 6 March 2015

TM/14/02989 TQ 567533 159754

Applicant: Mr P Almani

Proposal: Demolition of the Stables in Birling Road, Ryarsh, and construction of a

frozen food distribution centre

BPC: Objections raised TMBC: Refused 13/3/2015

The Clerk was asked to ascertain the reasons for the refusal of this application.

### 11 Any Other Business

Cllr Spooner had attended a training session for the website but had felt the content did not exactly suit her needs. (Clerk to ask Lynne at Ryarsh who does theirs) Cllr Grimmett volunteered thanks to Cllr Walker for putting the council's objections to the Ryarsh Stables application together.

### 12 Date of next meeting

As previously agreed the Annual Parish Assembly will be held on Tuesday 14 April 2015 at 7.30pm followed by the parish Council Meeting

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.15pm.