

LOWER HARDRES AND NACKINGTON PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 9TH FEBRUARY 2021

The meeting was held remotely via Zoom, no Members of the public were in attendance

In attendance were Cllrs McCully, Miss Grundy (Acting Chairman) Taylor, Moore, Beaumont and the Parish Clerk.

1. Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies for absence.

2. Declarations of Interest and any update of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests Register

Cllrs Miss Grundy and Moore declared an interest in items 4i & ii

3. To Approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on 12TH January 2021 and Matters Arising

The minutes of the meeting held on 12th January 2021 were approved and signed by the Chairman as a true and correct record subject to item 7 bullet point three following B2068 in the penultimate line to read; speculating that vehicles travelling south for Manston and those travelling north for the M20 and the docks.

Item 8 attendance of PCSO: The Clerk has invited our local PCSO Emma Coyle to our March meeting and has asked her to give a brief description of her role and the issues she is legally entitled to cover. Members agreed to ask questions on issues such as Roads, HGVs, Rural Crime and Trespassing. On the issue of a camera to film rubbish dumping it was agreed this would not be suitable as it would need to be placed very high but would not be able to photograph the vehicle number plate.

4. Finance Matters

(i) The Clerk received an invoice for £1900.00 for work to the village hall grounds. For the year 2020-2021 the Parish Council received £1769.00 Concurrent Funding, £410.00 has already been paid out of that sum, leaving a total of £1359.00. Members agreed to pay the total remaining concurrent funding to the contractor whilst the village hall will pay the difference of £541.00.

(ii) To approve the following invoices for payment

Mr C. Tanton	£ 1359.00	JBW Memorial Hall Grounds
CPRE	£ 36.00	Annual Subscription
HMRC	£ 62.80	PAYE – December
Parish Clerk	£ 23.55	Expenses & Stationery – Jan/Feb

(iii) Members approved the Draft Level of Reserves and Payment Sheet as at 26th January 2021. The Clerk advised that £52.98 interest has been received on the NSI account.

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Draft Level of Reserves 26th January 2021

Opening Balance 01.04.19		11783.12
Income Received to Date		
Precept	8713.00	
Concurrent Functions Funding	1769.00	
NSI Interest	52.98	
Total Income	10534.98	
Total Income & Reserves		22318.10
Less expenditure to date		6116.72
Total		16201.38
Bank Balances as at 26 th January 2021		
Lloyds Bank Account Sheet 55		8790.13
National Savings Account		7411.25
Balance		16201.38

- (iv) Update on CCC Concurrent Functions Funding Proposals
As yet there has been no information on the commencement of the review.
- (v) Coronavirus (COVID-19) – Update on any issues relating to Local Councils.
The Council continues to receive several emails daily on updates of the virus, one of which advised that Councils' should continue to meet remotely until 7th May 2021. However KALC has written to all Kent MPs seeking their support for extending the Covid-19 regulations to enable remote meetings to continue beyond 7 May. NALC and the SLCC are lobbying at national level.
KALC has also asked MPs for their help in getting the Secretary of State to respond to a call for a financial support package for our sector of local government.

5. **Planning Matters**

- (i) CA/21/00178 Outback, Nackington Road, Lower Hardres
Installation of 2 No. Air Source Heat Pumps. No objection
- (ii) CA/20/02889 Uniquely British Reclamation Yard, Merton Lane, Lower Hardres
Change of use of land from the storage and sale of architectural salvage to a mixed use comprising storage & sale of architectural salvage and farm shop with ancillary café following external alterations, together with stationing of six containers to rear for use as farm shop storage and three containers to rear for storage and sale of architectural salvage.
The application has been thoroughly checked and although it is similar to a previous application which was refused, there are one or two slight changes. An attempt to conceal the containers and the provision of an ecological survey. However, the proposals show a considerable increase in the size of the café area, which now proposes a kitchen and numerous seating, both inside and outside the premises, whereas permission was previously granted and conditioned only for a small stand only café and no kitchen restricting the type of food it could provide.
It was agreed that as much of the proposal still contravened a number of planning policies, the Parish Council object to the application.
- (iii) CA/21/00197 Woodley House, Nackington Road, Lower Hardres
Single-storey rear extension. No objection

6. **Planning Decisions by CCC**

- (i) CA/20/02558 Harmansole Cottage, Street End, Lower Hardres
Single-storey side extension. Granted by CCC

7. **Highway Issues and PROW**

- A further email requested Parishes to submit their latest Highways Improvement Plan for review and set a date for a phone call meeting to discuss priorities. It was agreed we resurrect our last plan for members to review.
- Due to the alleged problem of walkers trespassing, Cllr Beaumont suggested that the PROW map near the farm shop be restored. So as to not offend, Cllr Taylor to first find out from the farm shop owners if they know who originally paid and arranged for the map to be placed in that location. In the meantime Cllr Beaumont to contact the KCC PROW Team to find out if there is; A) Funding available to erect signs and B) For any guidance they may offer.

8. **Correspondence, Publications and any urgent matters**

2021 Calendar of Meetings

Members approved the Calendar of meetings and although the dates should not change there is a possibility that after May 2021 the times may change.

9. **Confirmed the Date of the next Meeting as 9th March 2021 11am.**

The meeting closed at 12.15pm