

PEVENSEY PARISH COUNCIL

The Minutes of the HIGHWAYS AND BYWAYS COMMITTEE held at St. Wilfrid's Hall, Pevensey Bay on Tuesday 2nd October 2018

Present: Cllrs Beaney (Chairman) Slater, MacKinnon, Lowton, Howard, Scott, Rabbitts and Withey

Apologies: Cllr Beck

Minutes: The Minutes of the previous meeting were duly signed

Matters arising from Minutes:

- **Grass Cutting Changes**

Cllr Howard advised that the maps which ESCC provided have been enlarged and will be superposed onto map of the Parish. The next stage is for Cllrs Howard and Beaney to go out and quantify the meterage. Once we have the meterage we will be able to send out the tenders to the contractors.

Cllr Lowton advised that an email has been received by ESCC giving Councils a very short deadline to decide if Council wished to renew the contract with ESCC or go it alone. ESCC require Councils decision by the 7th November.

- **Benches**

Cllr Beaney thanked Cllr Peasgood for the work he has done on the benches. It was agreed that 13 to 15 benches need attention and for Cllrs Beaney and Peasgood to work together to present a paper to Council with best approach to this.

Cllr MacKinnon advised if there are any benches that need attention in the Recreation Grounds that she may be able to use the grant funding. She will assess the benches.

- **Planters**

The Clerk advised she and Cllr Beaney met with Andy Hyde and he is currently getting a quote together for the planter works next year. The Clerk has also asked if he can add the planters in by the kebab shop and the one by the Library. Cllr MacKinnon asked if we can get in contact with Mason Byrant and Megfen to see if they will maintain the planters outside Boots which they sponsor. The Clerk will write to them.

- **Updates on the reports of overhanging vegetation in Pevensey High Street.**

Cllr Beaney advised that the overgrowing trees in Bexhill Road still haven't been cut down. The Clerk advised that Cllr Liddiard is also assisting with getting this sorted.

Cllr Beaney also reported that the Sports Club are dumping the grass cuttings on the river footpath. The Clerk will write to them.

The Clerk updated on the following reports:

The overhanging vegetation on the VAS sign on Castle Road, Pevensey Bay has been reported and ESCC advised that the trees are privately owned and will write to the owners to get it cut back.

The overhanging vegetation on sign at the junction of High Street and Bridge End Pevensey, belongs to WDC. ESCC have written to them to take action to get it cut back.

Footpaths

The Clerk advised that she has reported the broken kerb stone on Coast Road by the Ethel Wood Centre.

Correspondence

The Clerk read out an email from Inspector Jon Gross regarding the parking issues in Pevensey Bay. He advises that in the next few weeks the Police will try and address the issues raised and they will arrange some sort of short-term enforcement activity to help alleviate the situation.

The Clerk read out an email from a resident requesting that Council send letters to vehicles and drivers who are parking illegally in Pevensey Bay. It was agreed that Council will not write to the owners as they have no legal jurisdiction and they suggested that the resident to report these vehicles to Crackdown. The Clerk will respond to the resident.

Matters of Urgent Public Safety

Cllr Beaney advised that the new kissing gate that has been fitted into Dukelands isn't a kissing gate and doesn't feel it is safe. He is also concerned that the animals maybe able to get out. Cllr Peasgood said that he had used the new gate and felt it was safe to use and is fit for purpose. It was agreed to hold back the payment and arrange a meeting with the contractor on site. The Clerk will arrange this.

Faulty Street Lights

The street lights are still no working on Bexhill roundabout and this is to remain as an ongoing issue.

Cllr MacKinnon advised residents from Seaville Drive informed her there is no street lights there and it can be very dangerous in the dark.