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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2022 at 7.30pm at the Pavilion, Chipstead Recreation Ground Chevening Road Chipstead TN13 2SA.

Present: Mr N Williams Chair

Mr J Branton Vice-Chair Mr N Clark Councillor Councillor Mr A de Turberville Mr J Eastwood Councillor Mr J Firmager Councillor Councillor Mrs L Weavers Councillor Mrs V Woodruff Clerk Mrs J Hayton Mr J London SDC

Mr N Chard KCC (via Zoom)

Members of the Public

**Apologies** 

Mr J Jarrett Councillor

The Chairman began by saying what a great occasion the Street Party was and he congratulated Cllr Woodruff on her hard work in putting it together. Feedback from everyone was extremely positive and it was a great occasion, enhanced by the gazebo which set the Green off beautifully

## 92 Apologies and Absences

Cllr Jarrett sent his apologies which were duly accepted by the Chairman

# 93 Declarations of interest or lobbying

There were no declarations of interests or lobbying regarding items on this agenda

### 94 Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the Annual meeting held on 9-5-22 previously agreed by email were formally signed by the Chairman as a true record

### 95 **Updates from KCC.**

Cllr Chard gave an update on Covers Farm, which although may not directly impact, the Parish will see increased HGV traffic from it. The decision is now likely at the KCC Planning meeting on 20<sup>th</sup> July. There have been a number of technical details for which Cllr Chard requested experts be instructed to ensure KCC are sure of their ground. The average speed camera on A25 has caught a number of people per month and is making a difference to how people are driving. KCC are now beginning to look at quality of life issues rather than simply killed and injured. Cllr Weavers asked what KCC were doing about Chevening Crossraods as there had been yet another serious accident there recently. Cllr Chard was not aware but was meeting with Highways the following day and would ask the question . The Clerk confirmed that the issue had been raised with Highways and they are aware that the number of accidents continues to be a problem

The Chairman asked if Cllr Chard had heard anything about the Parkland development. He confirmed he hadn't. Cllr London suggested it could be many months. Cllr Chard expressed his disappointment that KCC Highways had supported the proposal. The Clerk asked whether KCC could confirm the assertion made at the Development Control Committee meeting that Polhill would be in danger of collapse with that number of lorries and at that frequency for 5 year. Cllr Chard confirmed he would ask the question again to get definitive assurances prior to the appeal being heard.

There were no other questions and Cllr Chard left the meeting

### 96 Questions from the Public

### A21/A25 junction.

A member of the public asked whether it was true that when the Rivermemre Care Home was built money was given by the developers to put in a roundabout. The Chairman confirmed a roundabout would not be feasible there. R9oundabouts work best when there is equal traffic flow on the approaching roads. This is not the case and therefore it would potentially more dangerous than the current situation. The Chairman is pressing Cllr Chard to investigate pressure plate traffic lights which would then mean only if someone was turning to/from Chipstead would the lights be activated.

#### **Parkland**

A member of the public suggested to the Chairman that getting an independent civil engineer to look at Polhill rather than simply relying on KCC may be prudent. The Chairman confirmed the Parish Council had allocated budget to employ experts. He also stated that his hope was the Prime Ministers statement that the Country must maximise and utilise every inch of farmland it can means the turning of arable land into parkland will not be acceptable under Govt policy.

### **Trees**

A member of the public asked about the Alder trees on Sailing Club Road with are due to be reduced in height. The Clerk confirmed the planning application had been submitted (required as it is a conservation area) and she will chase with the tree surgeon.

### 97 Open Space

### a Open Space Inspection

### **Chipstead Common**

Cllr Clark mentioned a bin on Chipstead Common had been vandalised with paint and that the felt from the hut roof had been shredded by the contractors mowers. The Clerk said she would attend to see what could be done Sailing Club Road

Cllr Firmager stated that the area next to the river on Sailing Club Road which has been left to wild qas a mess and he suggested tiding it up. A member of the public stated her husband had dug out some of the nettles but it was too hard to dig them all out. The Clerk requested that the Council debate exactly what they wanted to be done and she would arrange it. It was agreed to leave the nettle patch as it is good for butterflies and bees. The grass should be strimmed and the cuttings raked and removed

# b Playground Inspection

The Clerk confirmed there would be the annual playground inspection sometime in July

### 98 Proposal from Harvey's to put tables on Chipstead Green

The Chairman confirmed he had received an email from Harvey's after the agenda had been published withdrawing their request to put tables on the Green. Therefore the matter would not be discussed by the Council

### 99 Beautification of the Parish

# **Planters**

Planters have been installed on Chipstead Green, Chipstead Common and Bessels Green. The Chairman confirmed the planters would need regular watering and monthly feeding with fertiliser. A Parishioner has kindly volunteered to water the planters on Chipstead Green, Cllr Clark offered to water on Chipstead Common (the Chairman will approach a nearby property owner to see of they would supply water) Cllr de Turberville will approach a parishioner to handle Bessels Green. The Chairman confirmed the Kings Head had kindly allowed him to use their water when he was planting and hopefully they will give permission to do so again.

The remaining 8 planters should be delivered by the end of the month. 4 are going on Chesterfield Drive 2 in Chevening beside the Church gates and 2 in Chipstead Square.

#### Mural

The Clerk is chasing decorator to do the mural on the Hanns stores wall.

### **Plaques**

The Chairman asked about identifying building for plaques. The Council felt Katherine Draper would be the best person to ask because of her extensive knowledge of the village. Cllr Weavers said she would contact her.

### 100 Governance DocumentsS

The Parish Governance documents previously circulated by email, the Complaints policy, Information available under FOI requests and Data Privacy notice were reviewed by the Council and resolved unanimously

# 101 Review of Jubilee Celebrations and any learning

The Chairman reiterated his early comment that the Street Party had been a huge success. Cllr Firmager asked whether the road closure could be extended longer. The Clerk explained that there are limits to the length of time a through road can be closed, especially for any emergency access required for the Cheshire Home. The Chairman suggested the possibility of having the streetparty/picnic on the Rec for the next occasion

# 102 Correspondence Received and General Issues

Cllr Weavers mentioned that the Parish Council meeting clashed with the Parochial Church Council meeting. The Chairman commented it also clashed with Brasted's meetings. The Clerk confirmed that she has already contacted Sundridge and Brasted to avoid meeting clashes next year (the May Annual meeting was the same evening as both Sundridge and Brasted's Annual Assemblies)

### 103 General Information and proposals for Future Agenda Items

# Cllr Firmager is organising the Dragonboat Festival for 2023

It has proved too difficult to organise this year but it will be back in 2023. The Parish Council in the past has paid for the provision of St John's Ambulance at the event and the Council expressed it's desire to do so again when a request is received

## 104 Finance -Income Received and Cheques Payable

The payments for June were approved and the Payments and Receipts for May reviewed with no comment

# 105 Planning Applications

There was one planning application for consideration, 122 Chesterfield drive for which the Councxil resolved "No objection"

The meeting closed at 20.34

# Payments & Receipts for May

	Opening balance	£87,648.89
10/05/2022	STREET PARTY FROM HAYTON RJ+JS 1704	£795.00
11/05/2022	BANK GIRO CREDIT REF DIGNITY FUNERALS, 039865	£125.00
27/05/2022	STREET PARTY FROM HAYTON RJ+JS 1704	£315.00
27/05/2022	CHIPSTEADFC-RATES FROM CHIP FC	£364.27
30/05/2022	BREETHING INTRMT FROM LUXMOORE-STYLES RP 607	£217.50
31/05/2022	STREET PARTY FROM HAYTON RJ+JS 1704	£210.00
04/05/2022	GOCARDLESS REF KENTCABLES-77MEMBH, MANDATE NO 0008	£30.00
09/05/2022	EDF ENERGY REF 673109647889, MANDATE NO 0009	£11.00
10/05/2022	ZURICH TOWN AND PARISH INSURER TRUST ACC REFERENCE YLL 2720	£1,782.41
10/05/2022	VICTIM SUPPORT REFERENCE CHEVENING PC	£100.00
10/05/2022	JULIA CHAMBERLAIN REFERENCE CHEVENING PC	£160.00
10/05/2022	DRM TREES REFERENCE TRANSFER	£72.00
10/05/2022	MDH HORTICULTURAL CONTRACTORS REFERENCE TRANSFER	£480.00
10/05/2022	NIGEL WILLIAMS REFERENCE TRANSFER	£84.37
10/05/2022	J HAYTON REFERENCE TRANSFER	£636.37
10/05/2022	MDH HORTICULTURAL CONTRACTORS REFERENCE 2201	£355.20
10/05/2022	J HAYTON REFERENCE SALARY	£1,314.99
10/05/2022	HMRC REFERENCE 577V00161414	£582.87
10/05/2022	MDH HORTICULTURAL CONTRACTORS REFERENCE 2499	£1,683.60
10/05/2022	CO OP ACCOUNT REFERENCE 1804 CHEVENING	£2,629.29
11/05/2022	CHARGES FROM 2022-03-22 TO 2022-04-21	£7.50
27/05/2022	SOUTHERN ELECTRIC REF 910036741, MANDATE NO 0005	£162.48
30/05/2022	VEOLIA ES UK LTD REF 04937801, MANDATE NO 0010	£25.20
	Closing Balance	£79,558.38
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Signed as a true record 11<sup>th</sup> July 2022

# Payments to be made in June

977 HMRC978 J Hayton

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Monthly Open Spaces Maintenance	£1,403.00	£280.60	£1,683.60
Tax & NI	£492.15		£492.15
Salary	£1,189.76		£1,189.76
Monthly Gang Mowing	£296.00	£59.20	£355.20
Phone tablecloths bunting sim cards signs	£261.51		£261.51
Accounting software	£129.00	£25.80	£154.80

980 J Hayton 981 Rialtas Accounting software 982 Ian Fox £200.00 £200.00 Music for street party 983 Musketeers Water testing at the Pavilion £148.00 £29.60 £177.60 984 VC Handyman Moving the planter in Sailing Club Road £675.00 £675.00 985 PSR Lighting Col 55 refit broken door £225.00 £45.00 £270.00 986 Sevenoaks District Council £120.00 £120.00 Annual report printing 987 Garage Door Centre Repair roller shutter at Pavilion £155.00 £186.00 £31.00

Santander Payments

£0.00

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# Planning Applications for Consideration at the Meeting

22/01223/HOUSE	122 Chesterfield	Alterations to change garage to kitchen,	No objection	16/06/2022	John E	
	Drive Sevenoaks Kent	move entrance with glazed canopy				
	TN13 2EF	and change flat roof to a tiled pitched roof				