



CHEVENING PARISH COUNCIL

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**Minutes of the Zoom Council Meeting of Chevening Parish Council, held at
7.30pm on Monday 3rd August 2020**

Present:	Mr A Clark	Chairman – video
	Mr J Branton	Vice-Chairman – phone
	Ms R Burgess	Councillor – video
	Mr N Clark	Councillor – video
	Mr A de Turberville	Councillor -video
	Mr J Eastwood	Councillor – video
	Mr J Firmager	Councillor - video
	Mrs L Weavers	Councillor – video
	Mr N Williams	Councillor – video
	Mrs J Hayton	Clerk - video
	Mr J London	SDC - video
	Members of the Public	1

132. Apologies for absence

All Councillors were present for the meeting.

133. Declarations of Interest and Lobbying

There were no declarations of interest or lobbying on any items on the agenda

134. Questions from the Public

The member of the public present confirmed he was there to listen to the debate and did not have any specific questions

134. Update on the Current Situation

Vulnerable and Volunteers

There are no issues

Anti Social Behaviour

Cllr Firmager began by explaining a situation which had occurred the previous week. Whilst out walking the fields at the North Shore he noticed that some of the hay bales which were used to obstruct access from trespassers were smouldering as they had been set alight and were very close to the hedgerow. The fire brigade were called and with the help of Josh Westacott who moved the bales into the centre of the field and Val Woodruff who had access to the gate, the situation was controlled. The following day the bales had caught more alight and flames and smoke were travelling towards Dunton Green. The fire engine

was again called and again with the farmer's help the bales were broken down and doused with water. Cllr Firmager mentioned an app what 3 words which allows you to pinpoint your location for emergency services. He mentioned from the graffiti which was written on the bales implied the action had been taken by someone local who objected to having their walk disrupted rather than a visitor

The Clerk mentioned the sale of a piece of land by the landowner

which has been reported to SDC Planning and their Unauthorised Encampment team. It transpires the landowner sold a piece of land to someone who is known to SDC and who purchases land in order to deposit landfill on it. This has already started to happen and the clerk raised concerns with SDC as to whether this is permissible in an AONB. The clerk will continue to press SDC to find out what is happening

Other ASB

There have been no major incidents or vast numbers of people as through a variety of means people have been made unwelcome when they come to trespass around the Lake. Mr Deschauer is responding only to the Anglers and to STC. The Chairman expressed his frustration that the villagers, the Anglers, the Sailing Club, the Tri Club, the Parish Council and the District Council are all doing huge amounts of work but the person who should be at the forefront, the landlord, is absent in terms of physical presence or in doing anything constructive to help to resolve the situation. It was noted that the District Council have agreed to pay towards the security and they have also being in communication with the landlord who has offered to contribute but to date nothing has been forthcoming. The Chairman confirmed that he does his updates and we keep people as informed as possible but it is disappointing the overall lack of engagement from people for the activities of the Parish Council yet their expectations are but the Council can do so much more than it actually can

131. Reopening of the playground

The Clerk has contacted Zurich Insurance for their view on the reopening of the playground and is awaiting their response. Other Parishes have taken the view that completing a risk assessment and putting up notices is sufficient to enable the reopening. The Council resolved to wait for the view from the Insurers then agree next steps by email. It was resolved that only opening for a few hours when "volunteer marshals" could be present wasn't a feasible option.

132. Proposed Celebration 31st August

Given the current situation with the re-imposition of lockdown in several areas and the assumption was that the situation would be more normal by the end of August it was resolved to postpone the street party/picnic for the time being.

133. Football Club

The Football Club had requested the Council contribute towards the required Covid safety measures for the Pavilion. The Council resolved to purchase a Perspex screen for the kitchen hatch, a char stand to store the chairs (once cleaned) and disinfecting/anti bac materials to be kept at the pavilion.

134. Phone box on Stairfoot Lane

The Clerk had enquired of BT as to whether it would be possible to purchase the phone box on Stairfoot lane. BT have advised it is only possible for the landowner to purchase the box. The Clerk has been in contact with the owner of 23-25 High St who believes they own the land. The Council confirmed that if the landowner proceeded with purchasing the box, the Council would pay for it's upkeep.

135. Correspondence received and future agenda items

The Clerk asked whether an "interim" PC meeting was required in mid-August

It was resolved that a mid month meeting was not required and the next meeting of the Council will be the Ordinary meeting on Monday 7th September

Cllr Weavers asked whether there were any plans for the Council to invite Chevening Estates to a Council meeting.

It was resolved to invite the Estate to the meeting 7th September to take questions from Parishioners concerning the Parkland Scheme

136. Financials

The Payments and receipts for July were reviewed by the Council and the Payments to be made in August were resolved. The details are attached to these minutes in Appendix A

137. Planning

The planning decisions made by SDC were reviewed

The meeting closed at 8:45 PM

Payments and Receipts made in July – Appendix A

	Opening Balance	£62,200.03
01/07/2020	BG Fees Lancefield NEF14	£110.00
07/07/2020	BG Fees Smith 606A	£200.00
07/07/2020	CIL Transfer from Co-op	£9,496.21
24/07/2020	BG Fees BEAUMONT PLOT S34	£327.50
24/07/2020	BANK GIRO CREDIT REF HMRC VTR, XWV126000106443 VAT repaid Q2	£2,552.64
27/07/2020	BG Fees Barber 475	£50.00
31/07/2020	BANK GIRO CREDIT REF SDC GENERAL ACCOUN, PRECEPT	£32,500.82
07/07/2020	TRANSFER VIA FASTER PAYMENT TO KENT COUNTY PLAYING FIELDS ASSOC REFERENCE CHEVENING PC	£20.00
07/07/2020	TRANSFER TO RIALTAS SOFTWARE TO SM21687	£148.80
07/07/2020	TRANSFER VIA FASTER PAYMENT TO HCI DATA REFERENCE WEB12799	£90.00
07/07/2020	TRANSFER VIA FASTER PAYMENT TO SEVENOAKS DISTRICT COUNCIL REFERENCE 2058455	£709.28
07/07/2020	TRANSFER VIA FASTER PAYMENT TO J HAYTON REFERENCE SIGNS	£266.40
07/07/2020	TRANSFER VIA FASTER PAYMENT TO J HAYTON REFERENCE EXPENSES	£6.33
07/07/2020	TRANSFER VIA FASTER PAYMENT TO MDH HORTICULTURAL SERVICES REFERENCE 1988	£298.28
07/07/2020	TRANSFER VIA FASTER PAYMENT TO J HAYTON REFERENCE SALARY	£1,167.03
07/07/2020	TRANSFER VIA FASTER PAYMENT TO HMRC REFERENCE 577PV00161414	£269.23
07/07/2020	TRANSFER VIA FASTER PAYMENT TO MDH HORTICULTURAL SERVICES REFERENCE 1987	£1,572.60
07/07/2020	TRANSFER VIA FASTER PAYMENT TO EUEKA HIRE LTD REFERENCE 1029	£293.09
07/07/2020	CHARGES FROM 2020-05-22 TO 2020-06-21	£7.50
24/07/2020	DIRECT DEBIT PAYMENT TO SOUTHERN ELECTRIC REF 910036741, MANDATE NO 0005	£444.46
	Closing Balance	£102,144.20

Signed as a true record

7th September 2020

Payments to be Resolved for August

			Santander Payments		
664	MDH Horticultural Services	Monthly Open Spaces Maintenance	£1,210.50	£242.10	£1,452.60
665	HMRC	Tax & NI	£192.30		£192.30
666	J Hayton	Salary	£1,004.58		£1,004.58
667	MDH Horticultural Services	Monthly Gang Mowing	£248.57	£49.71	£298.28
668	J Hayton	Expenses Mobile phone, printer paper Land registry	£24.03		£24.03
669	JRB Enterprises	Dog waste bags	£126.07	£25.21	£151.28
670	Streetlights	Quarterly maintenance contract	£626.06	£125.21	£751.27
671	Play Inspection Co	Playground inspection	£85.00	£17.00	£102.00
672	EDF Energy	Electric bill - Chipstead Common	£76.19	£3.75	£79.94
673	Speculise	Website Accessibility Training	£100.00		£100.00
					£4,156.28

SDC Decisions on Previous Planning Applications					
20/01455/FUL	21 Bullfinch Lane Riverhead	Demolition of existing bungalow and construction of replacement 2 storey dwelling.	No objection	Nigel	Granted
20/01486/LBCALT	29 - 31 High Street Chipstead KENT TN13 2RW	Renovation of roof covering and 4no. roof dormers.	Support - At present the dormer window frames are in a dreadful state, and cannot be effectively repaired and preserved without substantial work to the roof, which requires insertion of a membrane to preserve the structure.	Andy	Granted
20/01485/LBCALT	29 - 31 High Street Chipstead KENT TN13 2RW	Erection of a shed and playhouse in the garden and landscaping	No comment	Andy	Withdrawn
20/01315/HOUSE	13 Larkfield Road Bessels Green KENT TN13 2QH	Demolish existing garage, two storey pitch roof side extension and single storey rear extension and alterations to fenestration.	No objection	Nick	Refused