

PRESENT

Cllr. A Walmsley, Chairman presiding.

Cllrs. J Britt, M Cockett, R Greenwood and A Ratcliffe. M McFarlane (Clerk & RFO)

Cllrs. K Hammond and N Osborne were also present. 1 member of the public.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The member of the public thanked Cllrs. for the thank you card recently received from the parish council. He also highlighted overgrown hedges on Old Ashford Road and Groom Way footpath, it was confirmed a quote to cut back the footpath will be discussed. He also raised outstanding issues with the Faversham Road junction improvements, Cllr. A Walmsley will check the placement of the blue unsuitable for HGV signs.

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** Cllr. M Ballard (after the meeting)

2. **DISCLOSURES AND CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS ON THE AGENDA**

There were no disclosures or confidential items on the agenda.

3. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED**

19/505359/FULL Demolition of existing garage and carport. Erection of a new double garage.

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We have no comments.

4. **PLANNING MATTERS**

The site north of Tanyard farm will be sold on, Cllrs. will keep a watching brief to see if the plans are resubmitted.

Cllr. A Walmsley reported on the KCC mineral site plan review which does not affect Lenham Heath to the west of the sewage farm, he noted the sand extraction west of the river Len will still go ahead.

Cllr. A Walmsley has contacted planning enforcement to report chalk/soil being moved on the Highfields, Faversham Road, site to the meadow south of the site.

Comments about the call for sites should be made known to MBC, the list will be reduced by MBC and the final site choices put up for consultation. The NHP 2021-2031 will be reviewed throughout the process. Objections to sites not already identified in the NHP should be referenced to the NHP Group. Cllr. A Ratcliffe will produce a list of red/green sites and Cllrs. can comment on the list, the comments can then be collated and possibly discussed with neighbouring parishes. The Clerk will research the details of joining the Joint Parishes Group.

5. **NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN REPORT**

Cllr. R Greenwood reported on the challenge to MBC from the KALC Area Group concerning the methodology of how the housing numbers are arrived at.

Cllr. A Ratcliffe reported on the progress of the NHP Regulation 16 documents, NP2, 3 and 4 will be desk top published, once the consultation responses from utility and mobile phone providers are collated, they will be dropped into NHP 4. Lotus Print will publish the final documents.

Cllr. N Osborne reported on the IDG meeting on the 19th November, which discussed the access to the A20 from the Jones Homes site. Countryside Developments and Jones Homes will need to agree that access will be available for the link road from Headcorn Road to the A20. A further meeting on December 5th has been organised to discuss with the developers and landowners the options available. Cllrs. recommended an ex gratia of £60 be made to the three plan proof-readers.

6. **CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED**

P McCreery recommended taking legal advice about the proposed transfer of land to the parish council for the new sports facilities east of the village. Cllr. R Greenwood confirmed a meeting with the R Hallet & Co has been booked for the 26th November.

The meeting closed at 9.00pm

