

PETHAM PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD
ON THE 11TH OF AUGUST 2022 IN THE VILLAGE HALL

In attendance were Chairman Cllr Clark, Vice Chairman Cllr Collins, Cllr Mrs Spratt, Cllr Mrs Knox, Cllr Henderson, Cllr Patrick, Cllr Warden, the Parish Clerk Mr Beatrup, and the tree planting /recreation ground meadow adviser Mr Phillips

1. **Apologies for Absence.** None. All present
2. **Declarations of Interest and Update to Disclosable Pecuniary Interests Register** There were no declarations of interest by members on the agenda items presented
3. **To approve the Minutes of the last Meeting and Matters Arising** The minutes of the meeting held on the 14th of July 2022 were approved (proposed by Cllr Collins, seconded by Cllr Mrs Knox) and signed by the chairman as a true and correct record. Matters arising from the previous meeting were reviewed and discussed further in the minute items below

4. **Financial Matters**

(i) Members approved the following payments:

Scottish & Southern Electric	£ 45.19	St Light Energy – Account for August DD
Darren J Peacock	£ 300.00	Winter Gritting 2021 / 2022
HMRC	£ 86.20	HMRC PAYE for Clerk
Parish Clerk	£ 345.40	Parish Clerk Salary August 2022

(ii) The Payment Sheet and Draft Level of Reserves as at 05.08.2022 were reviewed and approved by members

(iii) Internet banking. The Parish now has full access to Internet banking. Adding members to the Parish banking mandate remains in progress

(iv) Queen's Platinum Jubilee Community Orchard and Meadow at the Recreation Ground. Joe Phillips presented various options, including a 12 tree apple and pear tree scheme, from various local suppliers. Members then discussed further, and decided that a larger orchard scheme would be preferred, with perhaps 30 trees. Location being alongside the cattle field boundary, from the high ground down to the stream. Possibly now in March 2023. Clerk to follow-up with Joe, and research any tree planting grants that may be available

5. **Planning Matters.** Members reviewed the following planning applications

(i) CA/22/01491	Details submitted pursuant to conditions 3 (materials) and 4 (joinery details) of listed building consent CA/22/00375. Old Hall The Street Petham Canterbury Kent CT4 5QY
Comments:	No objections from the Parish Council
(ii) CA/22/01534	Single Storey side extension following demolition of existing conservatory. Yew Tree Farm Stone Street Petham Canterbury Kent CT4 5PL
Comments:	No objections from the Parish Council
(iii) CA/22/01535	Application for listed building consent for a single storey side extension following demolition of existing conservatory. Yew Tree Farm Stone Street Petham Canterbury Kent CT4 5PL
Comments:	No objections from the Parish Council
(iv) CA/22/01486	To consider any applications received following publication of the agenda Installation of solar panels to roof of front and rear elevations. The Willows Church Lane Petham Canterbury Kent CT4 5RD
Comments:	No objections from the Parish Council

Comments:	There were no further applications received following the publication of the agenda
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Helicopter traffic to Earley House in Petham was discussed, and decided to not be a significant issue. This item therefore no longer being pursued

Reports of unlawful development in this, a conservation area, have been passed to Canterbury City Council planning for further investigation

6. Planning Decisions by Canterbury City Council

(i) CA/22/01056	Variation of condition 2 (drawing) of planning permission CA/21/00096/FUL for the Proposed two-storey extensions with basement following demolition of the existing side extension; to allow change of design and to include retention of existing side extension. Earley House Waltham Road Petham Canterbury Kent CT4 5RY Granted 21/07/2022
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7. Highway Issues and PROW

(i) Speed limit issue of Stone Street. Traffic Regulation Order consultation now complete. This item has been delayed by the re-organisation of KCC Highways. It is hoped that the report when available will be approved by KCC Director Tim Read. This will allow the design of signs and lines to proceed, followed by their installation. Also then that it will not be further delayed by having to go to the joint transportation board with Canterbury City Council, which isn't scheduled until 1st November 2022

(ii) PROW CB431 Vicarage Hill. The reported problem is at the Vicarage Hill end of the Public Right of Way. Parish Council to write to property/ies obstructing the definitive right of way. The matter then to be escalated to Canterbury City Council Planning enforcement if no remedial action is observed to be being taken - action - clerk. Similarly properties in Court Lodge Barns to be asked to not encroach on agricultural land to the rear of their propertie(s)

(iii) Condition of village trees - highway and power line impact. The council have received and are concerned over reports of trees that could come down in bad weather, disrupting travel and power supplies. These are being passed on to the City and County councils as they arrive. In addition, UK Power Networks to be informed of hazardous / dead / diseased / dying trees, in order that they (UKPN) can assist in their removal - action - clerk

(iv) Salt Bins and other issues. Negotiations with KCC to allow green salt bins in the area being progressed, with support and assistance from Cllr Mike Sole. Together with road markings needing to be renewed, and possible double-yellow lines on hazardous corners and junctions. In addition, it was proposed that polite notices/reminders be placed on vehicles parked endangering life, and a reminder that the highway code states that vehicles should not be parked within 10 metres (32 feet) of a road junction

It is understood that our local PCSO Emma Coyle is leaving Kent Police, and to date we have not heard whether the role is being filled again

8. Recreation Ground

(i) Grounds maintenance. Regular mowing of recreation ground now in progress. Parish Council Chairman to supply an inspection rota for members, in order that the condition of everything at the ground is monitored, and can be proven to be regularly inspected

Feedback from Facebook :-

Swings at the ground are regularly used and appreciated, so should be maintained rather than being replaced

The (metal) climbing structure in the centre of the play area should be removed, and be replaced by a wooden climbing structure

Consideration should be given to persons with disabilities, in order that equipment is accessible to all

9. Correspondence, Publications and Other Matters of an Urgent Nature

Contractor Robert Gay has been asked to prune some of the trees/bushes now thriving at the junction of Vicarage Hill and Town Road

The purchase of a defibrillator for Garlinge Green telephone box (listed, not adopted, by the Parish Council). The box has been recently maintained and re-decorated. Members decided that the telephone should be retained, and that this is therefore unfortunately not a suitable location for a defibrillator. Other alternative locations to be investigated. There is also a defibrillator available in the former telephone box in (nearby ?) Waltham

Speed and parking issues around and through the village were again discussed as above 7(iv). Possible installation of speed ramps/cushions, chicanes, and further signage. Possible introduction of a speedwatch scheme, and local Police being asked to conduct speed checks at busy times of day, notably between 0800 and 0900

Capital Grant applications for next year (2023-2024) from Canterbury City Council are now open, and may be applied for to fund the above. In addition, residents are welcome to let the Parish Council know of any other village/parish projects that are candidates for funding

The Parish Council understands that Kenfield Cricket Club, at the Kenfield Cricket Ground, between Petham Village and Garlinge Green, has had difficulty recruiting players this season. If anyone would like to play for the club, through to the end of September, on a Sunday afternoon, please contact Tony Carter on 07534 165284

The Parish Council provisionally proposed hosting an event on or around bonfire night, which this year falls on Saturday 5th November. Council provisionally proposed funding the event with £1500

10. Confirmed the Date of the next Parish Council meeting as Thursday the 8th of September at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. All welcome

The meeting concluded at 8.50 pm

Signed..........Date.....8/9/22.....

Chris Beatrup, Parish Clerk