

**PETHAM PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD**  
**ON THE 13<sup>TH</sup> OF APRIL 2023 IN THE VILLAGE HALL**

In attendance were Vice Chairman Cllr Collins (Chaired meeting), Cllr Mrs Knox, Cllr Mrs Spratt, Cllr Henderson, Cllr Patrick, Cllr Warden, the Parish Clerk Mr Beatrup, and 4 members of the public

1. **Apologies for Absence** Apologies were received from Chairman Cllr Clark
2. **Declarations of Interest and Updates to the Disclosable Pecuniary Interests Register** Cllr Collins declared an interest in the re-imburement of expenses for the recent race night, and Cllr Henderson declared an interest in re-imburement of expenses for a recent social event catering. No further interest updates were recorded
3. **To approve the Minutes of the last Meeting and Matters Arising** Cllr Spratt proposed, and Cllr Patrick seconded, that the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday the 9th of March 2023 should be approved and accepted as a true record. All present members agreed, and the Chairman duly signed the presented minutes

Matters arising from the previous meeting were that the application for double yellow lines to restrict parking and improve safety at the junction of Church Lane and The Street has been rejected by Canterbury City and Kent County Council

**4. Financial Matters**

(i) Members approved payments for the following items :

Scottish & Southern Electric	£98.80	Street Light Energy – Account for March DD
Castle Water	£119.06	(pre-paid March 2023) to avoid late payment charge
Cllr Scott Collins	£504.40	(pre-paid March 2023) Race Night Expenses
Pilgrims Hospices	£539.48	(pre-paid March 2023) Fund Raising Race Night
Petham Village Hall	£194.25	Social Events (5) 07/04/23 thru 22/06/23 W386
Petham Village Hall	£100.00	Donation for Coronation Event usage
Petham Village Hall	£136.50	Charges for Village Hall PPC Meetings 2022/2023
Kent Assn of Local Councils	£357.46	Membership to end of March 2024
Malcolm Castle	£96.00	Annual licence fee for Petham Recreation Field
Robert Gay Landscaping	£380.00	Village and Recreation Ground Maintenance
HMRC	£93.20	HMRC PAYE
Parish Clerk	£373.07	Parish Clerk Salary April 2023
Cllr Norman Clark	£90.98	Leyland Heavy Duty Floor Paint Cricket Pavilion
Cllr Norman Clark	£25.23	Diesel for Cricket Ground Mower
Cllr Norman Clark	£67.26	Decorating Materials for Cricket Pavilion
Kent Air Ambulance	£200.00	Donation
Cllr Dane Henderson	£15.84	Invoice for previous Parish Social event

(ii) The Income, Payment Sheet, and Draft Level of Reserves as at 31.03.2023 were reviewed and approved by members. Approved by Cllr Spratt, and seconded by Cllr Warden

(iii) Queen's Platinum Jubilee Community Orchard and Meadow at the Recreation Ground. All up to date financially

(iv) Coronation event on Saturday May 6 (Coronation Day) 2023 on track. Road closure of Church Lane as previously for the Jubilee street party approved, and Canterbury City Council informed. Payments being received online from potential attendees of events of the whole day

(v) Carol Castle was approved as being the internal auditor for the 2022-23 accounts

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

(i) CA/23/00594	Application for prior notification for installation of 15.0m monopole and associated ancillary works.   Outside Thompsons Plant And Garden Centre Stone Street Petham Canterbury Kent CT4 5PW
Comments:	Parish Council request further information. If the mast is a simple repeater station then the Council object. If the mast is guaranteed to help the community by providing a strong wi-fi signal then the Council are in favour
(ii) CA/23/00620	Two-storey rear extension, replacement porch to front elevation together with replacement windows from steel to aluminium and replacement doors.   Pett Cottage Garlinge Green Road Garlinge Green Canterbury Kent CT4 5RP
Comments:	The Parish Council expressed concerns over the size of the proposed extension, approximately doubling the footprint of the existing property. Members also felt that little or no consideration to environmental factors has been given, such as energy efficiency and or the installation of solar panels. The Parish Council remain neutral regarding supporting or objecting to the application, but do raise the above comments for CCC Planning
	To consider any applications received following publication of the agenda
	There were no further applications received following the publication of the agenda

## 6. Planning Decisions by Canterbury City Council

(i) CA/22/02091	Erection of 1.5 m high fence to front boundary.   The Old House Garlinge Green Road Garlinge Green Canterbury Kent CT4 5RT. Decided. Granted
(ii) CA/22/02308	T1 Horse Chestnut, crown reduce by 5 metres, T2 Norway Maple, crown reduce by 5 metres.   Swarling Manor Swarling Hill Road Petham Canterbury Kent CT4 5QW. Decided. No Objection
(iii) CA/22/02530	Ash tree- Remove dying tree. Located next to the public highway   Linhay Court Lodge Barns Church Lane Petham Kent CT4 5RD. Decided. No Objection
(iv) CA/22/02532	G1 - Ash - fell in rear garden. T5 - Ash - fell, Maple - fell, at boundary.   Linhay Court Lodge Barns Church Lane Petham Kent CT4 5RD. Decided No Objection
(v) CA/22/02495	T1 Deodar. Reduce height from 10 metres to 7 metres and spread from 5 metres to 3 metres. T2 Silver Birch. Reduce height from 11 metres to 6 metres and spread from 4 metres to 2 metres. T3 Purple Maple. Reduce height from 8 metres to 6 metres and spread from 5 metres to 3 metres. T4 Laburnum. Fell. T5 Cherry. Reduce height from 5 metres to 4 metres and spread from 5 metres to 4 metres. T6 Cherry. Reduce height from 7 metres to 4 metres and spread from 6 metres to 4 metres. Trees located in rear garden   South Lodge Wootton Drive Petham Canterbury Kent CT4 5WD. Decided. No Objection
(vi) CA/23/00093	Replacement windows from timber to timber to all elevations.   Sweet Auburn Cottage Church Lane Petham Canterbury Kent CT4 5RD. Decided. Granted
(vii) CA/23/00208	Application for lawful development certificate for proposed single-storey outbuilding for use as garden room.   Cherry Trees Wootton Close Petham Canterbury Kent CT4 5WE. Application Withdrawn
(viii) CA/23/00309	T1) Oak tree reduce overhanging branches 2m away from the house.T2) Sycamore tree crown reduced by 15%. T3) Hazel reduce by 50% to clear power lines.   Gardeners Cottage Garlinge Green Road Garlinge Green Canterbury Kent CT4 5RL Decided. No Objection
	No further planning decisions to report at this time

## 7. Highway Issues and PROW

- (i) Stone Street Traffic Regulation Order. Installation of 40 mph limit awaited. Stone Street anticipated to be closed to traffic on 24/05/2023 for up to 2 days between 09.30 and 15.30 for Pole replacement works by Openreach. Speed limit installation could be at any time

20 mph limit for Petham and Garlinge Green to be developed further with KCC Highways. Clerk and Cllr Patrick to review the latest Highway Improvement Plan, update it for a 20mph limit as required, and re-submit to KCC for their records

(ii) Village Tree Condition. Overhanging branch on Broadway noted, near Petham House. Clerk to report to KCC. Other dead vegetation noted as trees come in to leaf, which again can be reported to KCC on their web site <https://www.kent.gov.uk/roads-and-travel/report-a-problem>

(iii) Street Furniture. Salt bins (replacement of yellow) in the vicinity of Garlinge Green being worked on by Clerk. Appearance of CCC litter bin at the bottom of Vicarage Hill sometimes being taken to outside Duke House discussed, and being followed up with leader of the council by Cllr Collins

## 8. Recreation Ground

(i) Play equipment replacement. This is a long term project, and will be continued through further Parish meetings

(ii) Condition report. Inspection by PPC anticipated in May. Form for completion to be circulated. With the change in Council members, an inspection rota needs developing. The access gate to the swings / play equipment area needs to have a latch installed, rather than the existing bolt

Tree adoption plans and a maintenance budget to be taken forward to the next meeting. Joe Phillips to be asked to continue looking after the wildflower meadow areas. Phil Stanley-Berridge a local garden specialist, who helped with the recent tree planting on the recreation ground, to be asked whether he may be able to help with looking after the orchard - action - all

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

(i) Sub Committee work on Community Inclusion and Cohesion. Going well. Film Night planned for Thursday 27th April, and Coronation event for Saturday 6th May. See PAW news and facebook for further details

(ii) Election 4 May 2023. The election for Petham Parish Council will not be contested, and a member of the public has agreed to be co-opted to the Council, to fill one vacancy. Full details to be released after May 4th. Don't forget to bring your photo-id if attending to vote in person on May 4th

(iii) Other matters. Members discussed a 'Petham' sign to be placed on the green verge / green space at the foot of Vicarage Hill. All to take forward for next meeting

## 10. Confirmed the Date of the next (Annual Parish Council) meeting to be Thursday the 11th of May at 7.30pm in the village hall. All welcome

The meeting concluded at 8.10 pm

Signed..........Date.....11/05/23.....