



### Newchurch Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting held in the Old Wool Store, Brooker Farm, Newchurch TN29 0DT on Monday 4th February 2019. Prior to the meeting Councillors heard a presentation from a representative of the Fifth Continent projects. At 7.47 pm Chairman Cllr Apps opened the Parish Council meeting and welcomed all present. Clerk Mr Sharpe recorded as follows:

| <i>Unique Minute No</i> | <i>Agenda Heading</i>               | <i>Record</i>  | <i>Action by whom and within what timescale</i>   |
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| 2019-2-1                | Persons Present                     | Chairman Cllr Trevor Apps, , Cllr Deborah Ward, Cllr Alison Youd, Mr Michael Sharpe (Clerk to Newchurch Parish Council), Mrs Valerie Denby (Responsible Financial Officer, Newchurch Parish Council) – RFO   |   |
| 2019-2-2                | Apologies                           | Cllr Andrew Cragg (beyond the seas), Cllr Neale Waters (unwell)  |   |
| 2019-2-3                | Declarations of Pecuniary Interests | None declared. The Chairman reminded Councillors of their obligation to declare any interest, pecuniary or otherwise, during the course of each item as it arises.   |   |
| 2019-2-4                | Final Minutes of previous meeting   | The printed copies of the minutes of 7th January 2019 were examined and discussed and unanimously APPROVED. Proposed A Youd Seconded D Ward.   | <b>ACTION Clerk</b> to place signed copy of paper minutes in Minute Book immediately, and update website by 20 <sup>th</sup> February. Also to provide a copy to the Treasurer for bank purposes. |
| 2019-2-5                | Matters Arising                     | In examining the Minutes the Council noted that all action points had been addressed as appropriate. Under Minute 2018-11-9 Cllr Ward reported that funding from the Jurys Gap Wind Farm Scheme might be available towards dog-proof fencing.  | <b>ACTION Clerk</b> to follow up all funding opportunities and report to next meeting.  |
| 2019-2-6                | FINANCIAL REPORT :                  | The RFO reported all cheques had cleared and the bank reconciliation was correct, with balances of £15,610.26 in current account and £0.06 in deposit account .A recent payment from HMRC of £821.26 had been received as an adjusted VAT reclaim, and the Treasurer was warmly thanked for her efforts in obtaining this. |   |
| 2019-2-7                | PLANNING MATTERS:                   | No new applications had been received. Y18/1357 Roseden 1 Lower New Rents St Marys Road (extension) and Y18/0031 (Lawful Development Certificate at Pickney Bush Farm) were examined in some detail, the Planning Authority having now determined both matters in favour of the applicants.                                |   |
| 2019-2-8                | Parish Council Elections 2019       | The Clerk brought to Councillors' attention the Parish Council elections due on Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May 2018. The timescale for nominations would probably begin in mid-March, and he offered to take completed nominations to Folkestone's Returning Officer by hand if Councillors wished.                          | <b>ACTION Clerk</b> to email Electoral Registers for Newchurch to all Councillors, for use ONLY in connection with this election, by 8 <sup>th</sup> February.                                    |

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| 2019-2-9  | Romney Marsh Forum                            | The Clerk reported on the discussions at the Forum on 24 <sup>th</sup> January. In particular, Newchurch Parish Council's view is sought on the desirability and feasibility of pursuing National Park status for Romney Marsh.   | <b>ACTION</b> All Councillors to consider and consult residents on this question and Clerk to place on agenda for March meeting.  |
| 2019-2-10 | Correspondence                                | 3 items of Correspondence emailed to the Council and previously circulated were discussed. The Kent County Council Minerals Plan 2013-2030 and Folkestone and Hythe District Council Core Strategy review updates were noted. The FHDC Heritage Strategy 2019 is a new document on which the Parish Council may wish to comment before the 11 <sup>th</sup> March closing date. | <b>ACTION</b> Clerk and guest to attend the Lord Lieutenant's Civic Service in March as representative of Newchurch Parish Council.<br><b>ACTION</b> Clerk to examine the Heritage Strategy implications for Newchurch and report to the March meeting. |
| 2019-2-11 | Any other business                            | The possibility of erecting a new Dog Waste Bin in Norwood Lane was mooted, to combat the nuisance caused by dog-walkers illegally depositing filled bags in the hedgerows and on the highway. Advance notice of permission to be sought to use the Jubilee Field on 15 <sup>th</sup> September for a Village Hall festival was given.  | <b>ACTION</b> Clerk to place on March meeting agenda.   |
| 2019-2-12 | Date and place of next Parish Council meeting | The Council RESOLVED to schedule this meeting to be at 7.30pm on Monday 4th March at the Old Wool Store, Brooker Farm, Newchurch, proposed T Apps, seconded D Ward.   | <b>ACTION</b> Clerk to circulate draft agenda, and publicise the final agenda on the website and the notice board by Monday 28th February.  |

The Chairman declared the Parish Council meeting to be concluded at 8.35 pm.