

KENNINGTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

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**An Ordinary Meeting of the above Council, was held
on Wednesday, 10 August 2022 at 7.00pm,
being held at the St Mary's Community Centre**

165/22 To note those present, to receive and consider for approval, apologies for absence and reasons given.

Present: Cllr Alan Cooper (Chair), Cllr Chris Morley, Cllr John Seaton, Cllr Nathan Iliffe, Cllr Carole White, Cllr Paul Bartlett, Cllr Shafi Khan, and Cllr Charles Ellis.

Apologies: Cllr Ellie Crook, Cllr Justin Armitage, Cllr Jane Martin, Cllr Diccon Spain (Bockhanger), and Adam Brookes (PCSO).

Also Present: Cllr Howard Turner (Bybrook), Nick Sparkes (Chief Inspector, Kent Police), Peter New (Neighbourhood Watch), 2 members of the public and the Clerk.

166/22 To declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPIs), Other Significant Interests (OSIs) or Voluntary Interests (VIs) relating to items on the agenda.

None were declared.

167/22 To consider and adopt the Minutes of the Meeting held on 13 July 2022

Resolved: The minutes of the meeting held on 13th July 2022 were agreed and adopted as a true record by unanimous vote

168/22 Crime and policing issues:

1) Council to receive an oral report from the Council Chair and agree any actions as appropriate

Noted: By all an oral overview given by Cllr Cooper of Kennington Community Council on what we have been involved in, in relation to crime within Kennington to date.

Noted: Peter New (Crimewatch) gave his report, which was noted by all.

2) Council to receive an oral report from Chief Inspector Nick Sparkes followed with a question-and-answer session and agree any actions as appropriate following these discussions

Noted: a detail oral report received by all with some key points noted,

PCSO positions are not currently being recruited, retention issues are currently being seen, but the role is not being removed and no plans to do so.

Police model is still being reviewed and awaiting finalisation

Our PCSO contact remains Adam Brookes and Luke Jones, we should include CSU in all communications and requests.

Reporting all levels of crimes is imperative and should be recruited through police channels not just on social media. 101 can be used to report crimes that are not an emergency.

Alternatively an online facility for non-urgent crimes is also available -

<https://www.kent.police.uk/ro/report/ocr/af/how-to-report-a-crime/>. And attending a police station in person.

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All emergencies use 999. 999 - always use if a crime is taking place, or somebody is in immediate danger, always call 999

101 - you can use the non-emergency number 101 for situations that do not require an immediate police response.

Live chat available via: <https://www.kent.police.uk/ro/report/ocr/af/how-to-report-a-crime/>

My community voice <https://www.mycommunityvoicekent.co.uk/> - is a messaging service that helps residents, businesses, and community groups to keep in touch with their local policing teams. The service sends updates about the local area directly from the police officers themselves; it allows you to reply to the alerts sent, share information and tell them about the issues affecting you. You can register for alerts at <https://www.mycommunityvoicekent.co.uk/Content/Pages/Register>

20mph, considered an important step with road fatalities, needs to work with groups such as Speed watch where repeat offenders do get warning letters and those considered a risk will be looked into.

Knife Bins are very successful and encouraging more throughout the County. Message: 1 knife, 1 life.

Report it - Encouraged to report anything from anti-social behaviour, criminal damage, nuisance strong youth gatherings - anything of concern please report. Key message is Report.

Violence Against Women and Girls - Specific targeted work continues for women and girls be they at work, School, or in a public place, working with others to understand what more can be done, identifying gaps in provision and seeking ways to prevent these crimes

Scooters - being written on pathways is a rising issue, please report any regular issues.

Custody suite will not be moving back to Ashford although there will be interview availability in Ashford

Chief Inspector expressed his thanks to Peter New and Kennington Community Council and the work we are working to and doing together within our community.

Recommendations from Councillors to be investigated and will be looked into by Chief Inspector Sparkes - Eureka Park, could work be done with Savills to ensure Eureka Park is fully covered and CCTV linked into cover this area, Modification of vehicles, Sirens being used at night could there be some sympathy on times used, Dads Unlimited would welcome local engagement.

3) Council is invited to consider whether it wishes to sign up to the pledges in the Community Safety Charter and/or promote it local businesses and organisations

Resolved: Agreed to note and already believe this has been implemented.

169/22

Public Open Session for members of the public who may make representations, give evidence, ask, and answer questions regarding items on the agenda or to suggest issues for discussion at a future meeting.

No items were raised.

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Finance:

- 1) Council to authorise and note expenditure and payments to be made as per document circulated

Name	Reason	Net	Gross
Staff	Salaries in (no overtime included)	n/a	£1366.20
Storage Unit	Storage unit -payment 1 (then weekly will be £20.17 paid by DD)	£100.00	£100.00
Clerk	Clerk Pension (July)	n/a	£51.19
Clerk	Homeworking allowance(July)	n/a	£26.00
Giff Gaff	Mobile phone - Clerk	£10.00	£12.00
Starboard Systems Ltd	Scribe Accounts System	£468.00	£561.60
Metro	Bank Fees	n/a	£20.00
Metro	Bank Fees re Purchasing card top up (if required)	n/a	£10.00
Microsoft	MS365 licences	£86.30	£103.56
Epson	Printing June and July	£38.32	£55.98
BT	Monthly internet	£22.00	£26.40
Bybrook Nature Reserve	Grant payment	£5000.00	£5000.00
ABC	Printing - new Councillor promotion leaflets	£38.44	£46.13
United Church	Hall Hire - 19/05, 24/05, 30/06, 05/07 and 06/07	£156.00	£156.00
Ashford churches	Hall Hire - 08/06, 13/07 and 10/08	£81.00	£81.00

Resolved: Agreed by all present payments noted and verified already agreed and paid under delegated authority or those previously agreed. Additional payments were also agreed and sanctioned for the Clerk to make payment.

Action: Clerk to make payments as appropriate as soon as possible

171/22

Bybrook-Bockhanger Community Facility Committee: Council to receive an oral update from Committee/Working Group note the written report of the Task and Finish Group, and agree

- 1) the proposed arrangements for a programme of engagement and consultation

Resolved: Agreed by all present current plans for engagement and consultation

- 2) the outline content of a related leaflet

Resolved: Agreed by all present current draft leaflet need to look at adding the ABC logo, multi drop off points arranged for handing in surveys, over 12's all complete from each household but with this how can we monitor that not over completed per home, closing date to be handed in by needs to be added, option 0 really needs to read as a valid option so should be 1 and others renumbered, simplified bullet text to be added to summarise and new photo for front as current one is out of date.

Action: Cllr Alan Cooper and Cllr Chris Morley to make amendments to leaflet and all Councillors to send in further comments.

- 3) any actions as appropriate

Action: Cllr Cooper will consider various drop points to consider Little Burton, Bockhanger and what other different locations for Clerk to approach for permission.

172/22

Town Green application to Register Land At Kennington As A New Village Green (VGA684):

- 1) to receive an oral update on progress of the application and agree any actions as appropriate

Noted: Oral update received

Action: Cllr Paul Bartlett to make a comment via division route

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2) to consider and agree the Community Council's representative/s at the KCC decision meeting (date expected to be 21st September) and agree any actions as appropriate

Resolved: Agreed: Cllr Chris Morley and Cllr Ellie Crook to attend and 1 resident.

173/22 Addressing Poverty in Kennington: Council to note that its mandate for contributions to FareShare has now expired?

Resolved: Agreed, need to work with Kennington Volunteers and for Cllr Cooper and the Clerk to meet with them and in particular consider the boxes on Beecholme and Tile Kin as beyond repair.

Action: Cllr Cooper will continue to liaise with Kennington Volunteers to set up a meeting.

Action: Clerk to arrange a meeting with the United Reformed Church for opportunities to work together.

Action: Clerk to continue to set a meeting with Ashford Vineyard for opportunities to work together.

Action: Clerk to continue to liaise re the Eat Well for Less programme.

174/22 Bockhanger Square Summer events:

1) to note Bybrook Bockhanger Summer Events and current line-up of activities

Noted: By all present

Action: Councillors to please come along on any of the activities to help

2) to request members to volunteer to assist with events on each of the days still to happen

Noted: By all present

Action: Councillors to please come along on any of the activities to help

175/22 Pop Up Café: to note the Pop-Up Café at the Spearpoint Pavilion (Friday 26th August, Friday 23rd September and Friday 21st October 10.30 to 12.30) and for Councillors to note in order to attend.

Noted: By all present

Action: Councillors to please come along on the 26th of August as only have the Clerk and Cllr Morley attending at this time.

176/22 Monthly Reports: To consider/note information received relevant to the Council and agree any action necessary.

1) Correspondence received.

Noted: By all present, nothing further to action.

2) Ward Councillor Reports

Noted: By all present as circulated , nothing to action.

3) Neighbourhood Watch

Noted: By all present which was taken with agenda item 168/22

4) PCSO

Noted: PCSO report can be seen and subscribed to receive via

<https://www.mycommunityvoicekent.co.uk/>

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5) KALC Ashford

Noted: By all present update from Cllr Morley, nothing to action.

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Action log: Council to review action log, to discuss developments for items to then to be considered for motion for the next or future meeting or to note and be recorded as complete.

Noted: By all present that the action log needs to be reviewed by all and comments sent in from the person who has responsibility.

Actions: Please review and advise the Clerk so as updates can be made

178/22

Items for inclusion on the forthcoming agenda/s.

Resolved: Agreed future next meeting to include Co-option and Addressing Poverty.

179/22

Date of next meeting.

The next meeting is **7pm on 14th September 2022**, in the St Marys Community Centre.

180/22

To exclude the public under Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings Act) 1960 and sections 100 & 102 of the Local Government Act 1972.

This item was not required.

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Close of meeting.

The meeting closed at 21:35

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