

# KENNINGTON COMMUNITY COUNCIL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES



Agenda published 03 March 2023

## An Ordinary Meeting of the above Council was held on Wednesday, 8th March 2023 at 6.30pm, at the St Mary's Community Centre

- 31/23 To note those present, to receive and consider for approval, apologies for absence and reasons given.  
**Present:** Cllr Alan Cooper (Chair), Cllr John Seaton, Cllr Paul Bartlett, Cllr Nathan Iliffe, Cllr Justin Armitage, Cllr Charles Ellis, Cllr Chris Morley, Cllr Shafi Khan.  
**Apologies:** Cllr Ellie Crook (Voluntary Charity Commitment).  
**Also Present:** The Clerk, 3 Conningbrook Representatives from Redrow and Quinn, 3 residents, Peter New Neighbourhood Watch, Cllr Diccon Spain (Bockhanger).
- 32/23 To declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPIs), Other Significant Interests (OSIs) or Voluntary Interests (VIs) relating to items on the agenda.  
None were declared.
- 33/23 To consider and adopt the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 8 February 2023  
**Resolved:** The minutes of the meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> February 2023 as circulated were agreed and adopted as a true record by unanimous vote with the amendment of Cllr Iliffe being present removed and sending his apologies remain, Cllr Iliffe had sent apologies.  
**Action:** Agreed Clerk to publish signed minutes on the website
- 34/23 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. This item will include -  
1) Presentation re Conningbrook Park  
**Noted:** By all present
- archaeology on site (the trenches that can be seen from the road) has started.
  - April/May development will commence and expect to start road works on Willesborough Road in July.
  - Bowls Club completion, to include a facility for non-members to hire is anticipated April 24.
  - Phase 1 of housebuilding will focus on the triangle made by the railway, Willesborough Road and the main access road through the centre of the site.
  - Phase 2, up towards the hotel and Cannon Woods Way, is not expected for 4-5 years and will depend on the housing market in the meantime.
  - No piling on any part of the site is planned.
  - The developer is required to carry out improvements at Simon Weil/Canterbury Road and the William Harvey Hospital roundabout before people start to occupy the new houses but the timing of those works will be set by Kent Highways.
- Resolved:** Agreed by all present that Cllr Alan Cooper write a small blog / Facebook piece in summary of this meetings presentation to residents and Councillors from Redrow and Quinn.  
**Action:** Agreed that Clerk to publish a drafted piece on website and Facebook as soon as possible and add a photo to accompany.  
**Resolved:** Agreed by all present that the developers to be invited to November Council for a further update.  
**Action:** Agreed Clerk to invite to November Council meeting.  
**Noted:** Planning Committee have this on the monthly agenda and will continue to liaise with developers and report through to committee.

18.50 Councillor Katy Pauley arrived (Conningbrook and Little Burton)

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## 2) Reports from Neighbourhood Watch and the PCSO

**Noted:** Report from Peter New as circulated and concerns at bus stops continue.

**Noted:** Clerk is organising a meeting with Clear Channel interested in invitation to attend Cllr Chris Morley, Cllr Paul Bartlett, Cllr John Seaton and Peter New if availability allows.

*A short break followed the presentation, residents and developers chose to leave at this time at 19.20*

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## Finance: Payments – Council to

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

**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: Agreed** Clerk to make payments as appropriate as soon as possible

Name	Reason	Net	Gross
Staff Costs	Salaries in February (January overtime)	n/a	£2370.88
Giff Gaff	Mobile phone – Clerk	£10.00	£12.00
Metro	Bank Fees	n/a	£20.00
Metro	Bank Fees re Purchasing card top up	n/a	£10.00
Microsoft	MS365 licences	£70.48	£84.58
Epson	Printing	£13.74	£16.49
Isseeze	Website	£45.00	£54.00
BT	Monthly internet	£23.08	£28.85
Lok N Store	Storage unit	£146.67	£170.00
United Church	Hall Hire – 16 <sup>th</sup> March (Planning)	£24.00	£24.00
Ashford churches	Hall Hire – 8 <sup>th</sup> March + winter warm usage charge	£45.00	£45.00
Freedom Leisure	Hall Hire – Pop up 13 <sup>th</sup> February	£50.00	£50.00
Two Tones Coffee	Teas & Coffees Spearpoint Play Park Opening	£204.08	£244.90
Kennington Scouts	Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> Feb Consultation	£30.00	£30.00
Royal Mail	Po Box	£315.00	£378.00
Kennington Fayre	Stall Hire	£45.00	£45.00
Allotments	Refund to clear in credit account	£9.38	£9.38
Tesco	Juices, cups and biscuits for consultation	£24.65	£24.65

## 2) note draft bank reconciliation as of 31<sup>st</sup> January 2023

**Noted:** By all present, Cllr Charles Ellis still has to verify bank reconciliations.

**Action:** Clerk to arrange a meeting before April Council with Councillor Ellis to verify reconciliations, if achievable.

## 3) note income and expenditure as of 31<sup>st</sup> January 2023

**Noted:** By all present as circulated.

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## Bybrook-Bockhanger Community Facility:

### 1) Consultation – Council to note the current position of the consultation.

**Noted:** By all present as detailed, results will be brought to Council at next suitable meeting, both Councillor Alan Cooper, Cllr Chris Morley are analysing raw data available to all with Clerk to add any final postal responses received.

**Action: Agreed** Clerk to add to next Council meeting.

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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.**

**Resolved: Agreed** to add to next agenda, Councillor named against a responsibility to review action and advise Clerk as soon as possible of current status and or work to date.

**Action: Agreed** all Councillors need to review and respond to the Clerk as soon as possible.  
**Action: Agreed** Clerk to add to next agenda and revise accordingly.

Signed: 

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Dated: 17.06.23



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- 38/23** **War Memorial Restoration: to receive an update on progress and agree any actions as appropriate.**  
**Noted:** By all present  
**Action:** Agreed Clerk to add to next suitable Council agenda for further update and progress reporting.
- 39/23** **Town Green application to Register Land At Kennington As A New Village Green (VGA684): to receive an oral update on progress of the application and agree any actions as appropriate.**  
**Noted:** By all present current position and Cllr Paul Bartlett will speak at meeting with Kent County Council.  
**Action:** Agreed Clerk to add to next suitable Council agenda for further update and progress reporting.
- 40/23** **Monthly Reports: Council to consider/note information received relevant to the Council and agree any action/s necessary.**  
**1) Correspondence received and details of upcoming local events.**  
**Noted:** Oral report from Clerk, Bybrook Nature Reserve 18th March, Clear Channel meeting (discussed earlier) being arranged, Election papers circulated deadline 4pm on 4<sup>th</sup> April do not send in papers pre dated 4<sup>th</sup> March, Speedwatch lacking in numbers to run sessions, Southern Water trees being added are being assessed, Phoenix School sign request and findings from Kent Highways, Faversham Road layby update from Kent County Council, Aldi status planning application status, Pirates Canoe Club Grant, Playground at Little Burton and ward grant contribution, Orchard Farm developers are to be presenting at Planning meeting 16<sup>th</sup> March  
**Action:** Agreed re the Faversham Road layby a Newspaper article to be sent to all known contacts, blog and Facebook post.  
**Action:** Agreed Clerk to press for Clear Channel meeting re bus shelter vandalism and materials used  
**Noted:** Speedwatch, Cllr Paul Bartlett agreed to look at training and volunteering  
**Action:** Clerk to send Cllr Bartlett Speedwatch training and registration details  
**Action:** Cllr Alan Cooper agreed to write a Speedwatch promotion blog/Facebook/poster  
**Action:** Clerk to publish Speedwatch promotional material once received  
**Noted:** Phoenix School sign, Clerk updated Council that Kent Highways Policy states that they are not able to do this to minimise signs in urban areas.  
**Action:** Agreed Clerk will continue liaisons with Pirate Canoe for grant or partial grant to be awarded  
**Action:** Agreed Clerk to continue with meetings planned re Little Burton Playground and work with the Ward Councillor and Environment and Open Spaces Committee. Update to be brought to next suitable meeting.
- 2) Clerk update on current ongoing**  
**Noted:** Kennington Coffee and Chat 13<sup>th</sup> February  
**Action:** Councillors, Ward Councillors to attend if available.
- 3) Ward Councillor Reports**  
**Noted:** Cllr Paul Bartletts as circulated  
**Noted:** Cllr Diccon Spain raised concerns re catapults and anti-social behaviour in the Rectory Way area, which may result in the need to remove the teen shelter.
- 4) KALC Ashford**  
**Noted:** By all circulated KALC minutes
- 41/23** **Items for inclusion on the forthcoming agenda/s. (Items currently include, Litter Bins Update, Grasmere Road Town Green, Beechholme Drive Town Green, Code of Conduct, Maximising IT Working/Task and Finish Group, Scheme of Delegation, Policy revision Planner, Addressing Poverty)**  
No further items were raised.

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- 42/23**    **Date of next meeting.**  
**Resolved:** Agreed the next meeting is on 12<sup>th</sup> April at 6.30pm.
- 43/23**    **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.
- 44/23**    **Close of meeting.** The meeting closed at 20:39

Signed: 