

MINUTES OF THE TURNERS HILL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 6th JUNE 2023 AT THE ARK

PRESENT: Mr B Forbes (Chairman) Mrs S Hughesdon (Vice Chairman) Mrs J Forbes Mrs C Jarvis Mr G Marsh, 1 member of the public and Mrs L Bannister (Clerk)

039 Apologies Dr I Gibson Mr B Theobald

040 Public Participation

It was reported that the bench on East Street opposite Medvale Farm is still in good condition and should not be replaced. Council will look into alternative locations.

041 Declarations of Personal and Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

Mr Marsh declared an interest in all planning applications as chairman of the MSDC Planning Committee.

042 Chairman's Announcements

None

043 The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 16th May 2023 were confirmed, and signed by the Chairman.

044 Matters currently being pursued by the Clerk

The new village gates to be installed on Paddockhurst Road were ordered in March, but due to stock issues won't be delivered until mid June.

Sean Cox has offered to fit the new bench on East Street and will make bespoke fixings for it.

Cox's Skips has arranged a skip for the London to Brighton Bike Ride. This will be placed in the usual place by the bus stop.

The Chartered Institute of Personnel and Development recommends that job applications for unsuccessful applicants are kept for 6-12 months. In accordance with this the approved Retention of Documents Policy stands.

045 Planning Applications

It was RESOLVED that MSDC be informed that:

DM/23/1345 Land West of Rowfant Business Centre, Wallage Lane
The Parish Council supports this application

DM/23/1373 2 Newstone Cottages, East Street
& 1374 No comments

046 Report on Previous Applications

DM/22/3810 Burleigh Oaks House, East Street Permitted

- 047 General Power of Competence It was RESOLVED to adopt the Power. The Parish Council meets the relevant conditions to qualify to use the Power until the next election in 2027.
- 048 Annual Parish Assembly It was RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 23rd May, and these were duly signed by the Chairman.
- 049 Display for Worth Horticultural's Local Community Class No display will be submitted on behalf of the Parish Council.
- 050 Turners Hill Fete A table will be put up in the Deck with information about the Parish Council and The Ark, but Councillors will not be required to attend.
- 051 Street lights It was RESOLVED to spend the grant of £5,000 from REPOWER Balcombe on converting a further 3 street light lanterns to LEDs on Church Road.
- 052 Police and Crime Commissioner Focus Group meeting The notes of the meeting held on 18th May and attended by the Clerk and Deputy Clerk were accepted.
- 053 Suspension of Standing Order It was RESOLVED to suspend Order 18d in relation to tendering for a contract for converting the changing rooms at The Ark.
- 054 Accounts Due for Payment It was RESOLVED that:
- a The Accounts shown on the schedule as being due for payment be paid;
 - b The Accounts shown on the schedule as being paid since the meeting held on 16th May 2023, be approved; and
 - c The Accounts schedule be duly signed.
- 055 Correspondence
The Horsted Keynes Neighbourhood Plan has now been adopted.
The London to Brighton Bike Ride takes place on Sunday 18th June, and disruption is expected in the Village.
The annual Public Rights of Way report has been received for Turners Hill. No works are planned, and there is still a vacancy for a Local Access Ranger for the area. WSCC are encouraging Parish Councils to use their powers to make improvements to the Rights of Way network in their areas.
A resident of Willow Ridge has been denied an extended dropped kerb access to his house. He needs this for accessibility reasons and is hoping the Parish Council will be able to send a letter of support to WSCC to encourage them to reconsider their decision. This will be added to the July agenda.
WSCC has requested permission to put a sign on a street light on Church Road, warning of access to the Fire Station. This will be added to the July agenda.
The Air Ambulance Charity passed on their thanks for the £54 of donations raised at the Annual Parish Meeting.

056 Confidential item It was RESOLVED to temporarily exclude the public and press from the meeting due to the confidential nature of the business to be discussed.

057 Staffing matters It was RESOLVED to agree the recommendations in the report.

Meeting closed at 7.58 pm

SignedChairman

4th July 2023