

Glynde & Beddingham Parish Council

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF GLYNDE & BEDDINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON WEDNESDAY 26 July 2023
AT THE READING ROOM, STATION ROAD, BEDDINGHAM AT 7PM.**

Present: Councillors: P De Paolis(Chair*), D Vice-Holt (Vice Chair*), J Pratley, L Gribble and D Sadler

In Attendance S Carter –Parish Clerk plus one member of the Public

GB22-23-130	1 Public Questions and Statements – 15 minutes. There was no discussion																																				
GB22-23-131	2 Acceptance of Apologies for absence – The Clerk advised that apologies have been received from: Ms. M Caulfield, District Cllrs J Denis, E O’Brien																																				
GB22-23-132	3 Declarations of Interest Cllr Gribble with respect to item 14, Cllr Sadler with respect to item 17.2, Cllr’s J Pratley with respect to item 13																																				
GB22-23-133	4 Chairman’s Welcome The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting																																				
GB22-23-134	5 Minutes of the last meeting The minutes of the Annual Council Meeting held on Tuesday 16th May 2023 were approved and signed with no amendment																																				
GB22-23-135	6 District/County Councillor/MP Reports - Maria Caulfield MP and District Cllrs Emily O’Brien and Johnny Denis have provided written updates which the Clerk has forwarded to Councillors.																																				
GB22-23-136	7 Finance																																				
	7.1 To approve payments for July 2023. It was RESOLVED to approve payments which were signed off by Cllrs Gribble and Sadler on behalf of the meeting.																																				
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	Steve Carter	Recorded delivery post for voting details for SDNP	£6.85
	Steve Carter	Clerk Pay - Month 4- 26th July 2023	£280.13
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		Total:	£2,216.09
RECEIPTS (July 2022)			
	Payee	Product/Service	Amount
	Lloyds Bank	Interest for May 2023	£2.47
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		Total:	£8.18
	<p>7.2 HMRC Direct Debit Facility – The Clerk advised that this is now live and payment has been taken via Direct Debit for payments of Clerk Tax for May and June. It is noted that HMRC have moved the Council to quarterly payments of Clerk Tax and that this will be paid via direct Debit.</p> <p>7.3 Q1 Bank Reconciliation – The Q1 Banking Reconciliation has been reviewed and signed off by Cllrs Pratley and De Paolis. It was RESOLVED to accept the Reconciliation following review.</p> <p>7.4 Bank Account - Councillors were requested by the Clerk to resolve issues preventing them approving payments.</p>		
GB22-23-137	<p>8 Traffic Calming / Speedwatch –</p> <p>8.1 There has been no response to the advert in the Parish Newsletter requesting people interested in Speed Watch to come forward.</p> <p>8.2 We are pursuing traffic Calming through SLR, with ideas such as picket fences to reduce speed, suggested locations are – Top of Lacys Hill before the wall and one Mill Lane/Teddy Steet – Clerk to review licence detail and propose at next meeting.</p> <p>8.3 It was noted that cat’s eyes will not be removed, but ESCC will check none are too proud.</p>		
GB22-23-138	<p>9 A27 East of Lewes Improvements scheme – Impact on School Children/missing island/refuge</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clerk to ask Firle School if anything is needed to be done to support them in any way..... 		
GB22-23-139	<p>10 Street Lighting – The Clerk has been liaising with ESCC for a quotation for them to supply electricity and maintain streetlamps and is waiting for a formal quotation. Preliminary calculations based on previous years utilisation and rates identify that there is potentially a significant saving to be had. It was RESOLVED that upon receipt of formal quotation/documentation the Clerk is to agree to the new contract provided that the annual value is forecast to be less than £900 for Maintenance and supply of electricity.</p>		
GB22-23-140	<p>11 Glynde and Beddingham Parish Council SLR with ESCC</p> <p>11.1 – Clerk to chase for Advanced Weight restriction signage from National Highways</p> <p>11.2 Next meeting – 5th December 2023, 11am at Glynde & Beddingham Social Club - Clerk to manage establishing the agenda outside of meetings.</p> <p>11.3 Clerk to chase ESCC re the hedge on the A27 which obstructs view.</p>		
GB22-23-141	<p>12 Clerk Matters</p> <p>12.1 Annual Policy Renewals</p> <p>12.1.1 The Council RESOLVED to recommit and sign up to the Civility Pledge for the next year.</p> <p>12.1.2 Delegation Policy – It was RESOLVED the that the Delegation Policy will remain in place for a further 12 months.</p> <p>12.1.3 It was RESOLVED to commit to a three-year contract with Mulberry and Co as the Councils appointed Auditors.</p> <p>12.2 SDNP's Parish Priority Statements –It was resolved that a Parish Priority Statement would not be appropriate for the local community in Glynde & Beddingham bearing in mind the extent of the Parish owned and managed by the local estate management company/estate owner – however other ways of ensuring that resident needs will be considered.</p> <p>12.3 Resilience Plan – it was decided that a Parish Resilience Plan was more than what would be required in Glynde and Beddingham, the close community coupled with the major position of the estate management company means that there are other informal ways to resolve issues quickly as they arise.</p>		

	<p>12.4 Roles and Responsibilities of Councillors for the Municipal Year 2023-2024 – Roles and responsibilities were agreed for the coming year and will be published on the website</p> <p>12.5 Meeting Planning and Administration – the Clerk requested feedback from Councillors regarding setting agenda's, meeting invitations, documentation being placed on website for Councillors and any aspects that Councillors would like to comment on. Councillors were happy with the way things are at present.</p> <p>12.6 Clerk Annual Leave – booked 21/08/2023 28/08/2023.</p> <p>12.7 There will be a "Have your Say" Stall for collecting resident views at the Flower Show</p>
GB22-23-142	<p>13 Glynde Pool –Update–</p> <p>13.1 Pool Management – It was RESOLVED that <i>members of the village will form a Community Interest Company which will; be self-funding, "Manage" the pool in its entirety 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, take in to account all aspects of health and safety and other relevant legislation, manage the day to day running of a swimming club, manage all repair and maintenance of the physical infrastructure and to raise money as required to cover major repairs and refurbishments until such a time as a lease is in place and a tender can be issued – when the newly formed CIC will be invited to tender for this activity and role.</i></p> <p>Clerk to write to Pool Community group to formally advise of the resolution. Work to begin in development of formal Service Agreement with Solicitors</p> <p>13.2 General Pool Update: The estate management company have offered to request their solicitor to create the service agreement between the CIC and the Parish Council for a contribution of £500. It was resolved to accept this offer in the spirit of collaborative working and moving things forward. Clerk to advise the estate management company and request copies of all correspondence between the solicitor and the estate manager regarding this activity. It is noted that Fund Raising is now well underway.</p>
GB22-23-143	<p>14 RWO 200 – Definitive Map Modification Order – The Clerk has received correspondence stating that previous updates had been mislaid. The Clerk has checked and there was previously no submission by the Council so there is now a chance to respond. It was RESOLVED that the Parish Council support the footpath in principle but would request signage is added to remind people of the Country Code.</p>
GB22-23-144	<p>15 Play Area</p> <p>15.1 Jubilee Shelter–in view of the costs involved the Clerk is instructed to seek 2 further quotes for making good.</p> <p>15.2 Play Area Play Inspection – The clerk highlighted the following items from the recent play inspection report.</p> <p>15.2.1 Easy Access Roundabout Carousel -</p> <p>15.2.2 Basket Swing</p> <p>15.2.3 Wooden fence gate Item *2 – – groundmen will give their thoughts asap.</p> <p>15.2.4 The Clerk is to ask an engineering company who perform this service for other councils if they will quote to make good items 15,2,1 and 15.2.2 and all other items reported by the inspectors in their report.</p> <p>15.3 Future Plans for playground</p> <p>15.3.1 Budgeting for repairs and maintenance – Councillors to consider their wishes so that this can be properly budgeted in November.</p> <p>15.3.2 Playground Upgrade Project deferred to next meeting</p>
GB22-23-145	<p>16 Recreation Ground Electricity Supply Point –. Cllr Pratley will contact Glynde Estates re specification</p>
GB22-23-146	<p>17 Planning</p> <p>17.1 Planning Application – SDNP/23/02454/TCA - Location: St Mary's Church Graveyard The Street - Glynde Lewes East Sussex - Area of mixed scrub including: Elm & Ash - Dutch Elm Disease & Ash Dieback Proposal: Remove 36no. trees and scrub - Replace with 78m Hornbeam hedgerow along top of embankment. Bring the area into formal management, laid to grass regular mowing, planting of Daffodils – it was RESOLVED that the council object to the application and request a more biodiverse ecosystem with mixed hedging and consideration of greater biodiversity as stated in the Glynde Estates Plan</p>

	<p>17.2 Planning Appeal – SDNP/22/02384/FUL - Location: Land West of Glynde Station, Station Road Glynde BN8 6RU. Proposal: Erection of a detached dwelling – it was RESOLVED that Glynde & Beddingham Parish Council Object to this application. The land in question is not considered to be "developed land" in fact the development will destroy an area of trees, shrubs and ecological habitats and will also be...</p> <p>-A harmful impact on landscape character & the historic appearance of the Glynde Conservation Area</p> <p>-Discordant appearance in this location and alongside other neighbouring buildings</p> <p>-Harmful to distance views from within the surrounding landscape</p> <p>-Add to existing light pollution and compromise the International dark skies designation within the National Park)</p> <p>and so contrary to policies SD4, SD5, SD8 and SD15 of the South Downs Local Plan-</p>
GB22-23-147	<p>18 Steamworks Pub/Bistro – there are still delays preventing progress. Steamworks were told the roof would be repaired however this has not been completed – until the roof is fixed they cannot complete the interior.</p>
GB22-23-148	<p>19 Love Supreme Debrief – The road was not “coned” causing people to park in areas that should have been managed. The traffic management was poor or non-existent significantly impacting residents.</p> <p>We have been advised that residents in Ringmer were very upset with the routing of traffic through Ringmer.</p> <p>Trains were badly advertised – with bus replacements poorly managed and passengers generally wandering around trying to find the busses.</p> <p>Internet in the village was not impacted as it had been in previous years.</p>
GB22-23-149	<p>20 Councillor Reports and Items for Future Agendas</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Could we look at the possibility of a cycle route for Glynde to Ringmer - • Item for next agenda – Tree for the King
GB22-23-150	<p>21 Date of next meeting – It was RESOLVED that the next meeting of Glynde and Beddingham Parish Council will be 20th September 2023 at the Glynde Reading Rooms</p>

*The term Chair/Vice Chair refers to the Chairman/Vice Chairman of the Parish Council as defined in the Local Government Act 1972 s. 15(1) and 15(6).

The meeting closed at 21:41

Signed:

Date:

Print Name:

- Chairman