

Glynde & Beddingham Parish Council

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF GLYNDE & BEDDINGHAM PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON WEDNESDAY 20th MARCH 2024
AT THE READING ROOM, STATION ROAD, BEDDINGHAM AT 7PM.**

Present: Councillors: P De Paolis (Chair*), D Sadler (Vice Chair*), and J Pratley
In Attendance S Carter –Parish Clerk.

GB22-23-231	1 Chairman’s Welcome - The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting						
GB22-23-232	2 Public Questions and Statements –There were no questions/statements						
GB22-23-233	3 Acceptance of Apologies for absence – The Clerk advised that apologies have been received from: Cllr L Gribble, Ms. M Caulfield, District / County Cllr Denis/District Cllr O’Brien and PCSO Ash						
GB22-23-234	4 Declarations of Interest Cllr Pratley with respect to item 15 and Cllr Sadler item 19						
GB22-23-235	5 Councillor Vacancy – The was 1 application for Co-option to the Council. Unfortunately due to the date change the applicant was unable to attend the meeting, however, in his absence it was unanimously supported that he should be elected to join the Council. It was RESOLVED that Richard Phillips should become a Parish Councillor for Glynde and Beddingham Parish Council representing Glynde as soon as the Acceptance of Office document is signed after the meeting.						
GB22-23-236	6 Minutes of the last meeting The minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on Wednesday 17th January 2024 and the Extraordinary Meeting held on the 7 th February 2024 were approved and signed with no amendment.						
GB22-23-237	7 District/County Councillor/MP Reports - Maria Caulfield (MP) provided written updates which the Clerk has forwarded to Councillors. .						
GB22-23-238	8 Lease between Glynde Estates and Glynde & Beddingham Parish Council – The Chairman and Clerk met with Glynde Estates** on the 19th March 2024 specifically to understand the requirements of the new Lease as there are some new clauses that need explanation. Following discussion there was only one item which was unclear - appertaining to insurance and interest of the Trustees – Glynde Estates will speak with their solicitor and get back to us with a clear meaning/requirement. It is noted that the new lease will put responsibility for buildings type insurance back with Glynde Estates, this would cover the pool, changing rooms, plant room etc and the wall along the side of the play area. This could be beneficial to the council as Glynde Estates have the benefit of an extremely large insured portfolio and so would hopefully attract better pricing than the council could achieve. The Council needs to consider the service contract with the CIC – Clerk to set up a meeting on Zoom to discuss – 7pm on the 27 th of March if the pool representatives can make it...						
GB22-23-239	9 Jubilee Shelter –The Chairman and Clerk met with Glynde Estates** on the 19th March 2024 where the Jubilee Shelter was discussed. The Clerk/Chairman advised the meeting the suggested way forward. It was RESOLVED that the best way forward with regard to the Jubilee Shelter is to send an email to the village explaining that the Shelter was built by the Brand Family as a gift to the village and that it was given to the Council to manage and maintain along with the Play Area and Pool. However, the Council has been unable to adequately maintain the building due to cost, it has suffered vandalism and before long it will need significant expenditure. Therefore the Council are proposing to give the Jubilee Shelter back to Glynde Estates who will then decide upon the future of the building which could be to develop in to some form of studio, to leave as is or to demolish.						
GB22-23-240	10 Finance 10.1 Q3 Bank Account Reconciliation – it was RESOLVED to accept the Q3 Bank Reconciliation following review by Cllrs Pratley and Gribble 10.2 To approve payments for February 2024. It was RESOLVED to approve payments as follows: Glynde & Beddingham Parish Council - Payments and Receipts for March 2024						
	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 30%;">Payee</th> <th style="width: 40%;">Product/Service</th> <th style="width: 30%;">Amount</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td> </td> <td> </td> <td> </td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Payee	Product/Service	Amount			
Payee	Product/Service	Amount					

HMRC	Tax Associated with Clerk Pay - Month 7/8/9 - Oct - £70, Nov - £104.40, Dec - £74.40 - Total £248.80 ***FOR INFORMATION ONLY - PAID BY DIRECT DEBIT**	£248.80
EDF Energy	Streetlamp Electricity for the period - Jan 2024 ***For Information Only - Paid via Direct Debit***	£260.14
Lewes District Council	Period 01/10/2022 to 31/10/2022 Monthly Play Area Inspections Recharge (Note invoice unpaid from Oct 2022)	£18.60
Lewes District Council	Period 01/03/2024 to 31/03/2024 Monthly Play Area Inspections Recharge	£18.60
Lewes District Council	Election Expenses 4th May 2023	£139.97
Steve Carter	Clerk Pay - Month 12 - 26th March 2024	£297.60
Steve Carter	Clerk Pay - Month 01 - 26th April 2024	£297.60
Steve Carter	Mileage Claim £32.40, - Home-Reading Room-Home - for council meeting - 07/02/2024, Home-Estates Office-Home – For Lease Meeting – 19/03/24, Home-Reading Room-Home - for council meeting - 20/03/24, Parish Mobile Phone Top Up - £10.00	£42.40
Lewes District Council	Period 01/04/2024 to 30/04/2024 Monthly Play Area Inspections Recharge	£18.60
EDF Energy	Streetlamp Electricity for the period - Feb 2024 ***For Information Only - Paid via Direct Debit***	£240.60
Pool-Tec	Remaining Payments for On-Site Lining, Automatic Dosing System, Automatic Top-Up, 2no Low Suction Points, Supply and Fit Coping Stones	£18,612.00
R. King & Sons	Machinery and Labour to break up concrete around Pool with Kango Gun, Excavate concrete & stockpile ready for lorries to take away when dried out, Excavate trench down side of pool	£1,800.00
Glynde Endowment Settlement	Recharge EDF energy invoice 19/09/23 (reading 2561) to 15/03/24 (reading 2633) = 72 KWH at 37.81p per KWH = £27.22 Electricity standing charge 179 days at 58.59p per day - £104.08	£132.10
Total:		£ 1,582.91

RECEIPTS

Payee	Product/Service	Amount
Glynde Place Charitable Trust	Donation towards pool repairs	£19,740.00
HMRC	Vat Claim for the period 1/1/23 - 29/02/24	£4,884.44
Total:		£24,624.44

10.3 Budget Update – The Clerk advised that year end was looking positive but that there are some payments to be received in the next financial year which we have committed to which will approximately balance things out

10.4 Request for Grant towards D Day Commemorative Beacon – to Consider offering financial support . – Following the request for a donation it was RESOLVED to give £200 to support the event as a token gesture bearing in mind the current financial stretch the Council is under The Clerk is to request that the Council donation is for villagers to enjoy the event but not to be used towards the fireworks and also to request the committee are respectful to those not liking fireworks and for them to inform villagers well in advance so that arrangements can be made for pets etc . The committee should also consider the processes agreed for parking and traffic management after the last parade and consider quieter fireworks Following this discussion it was RESOLVED to donate £160 to the Flower Show.

10.5 Potential availability of Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Money – the Clerk has been contacted by South Downs National Park and advised that there is currently an award of CIL money pending for Glynde & Beddingham Parish Council – this must be used for a community

	benefit – the electricity supply for the Christmas Tree and the Flower show has previously been resolved as a project to utilise CIL money.
GB22-23-241	11 Lewes District Council New Local Plan – The Clerk has been invited to attend a Teams session on the 17 th April and will report back.
GB22-23-242	12 Action to resolve the semi permanent (wind flattened) road barrier and leaking drain on the pavement around Spring Gardens – The works have made the path unpassable in two locations forcing people on to the road, this is a children’s route to school and is also used by disabled people. Clerk to write back to ESCC to advise that this is a very serious concern.
GB22-23-243	13 Street Lighting – We have been advised that this is imminent – however not to stop paying EDF - Clerk to chase
GB22-23-244	14 Clerk Matters 14.1 Clerk Update: Ramblers Letter re footpaths by the A26 – no action, LOVE SUPREME – Clerk to advise issues to Love Supreme contact 14.2 Asset Review – The Council are planning to hold a more detailed on-site review of all assets in the summer. 14.3 Request for 2*Memorial Bench in Glynde, 1 near the old working man's club, now the social club – Clerk to contact Social Club, the other overlooking the Cricket Pitch Clerk to contact Cricket Club For the social club bench request – a) ask the social club if there is any option in their grounds. B) look at options in the recreation area Cllr Sadler suggested Where benches or memorials are requested consider asking for a donation to the play area... 14.4 Annual Meeting of the Parish – to be held after the Council Meeting at 7pm 15 th May – Clerk to invite list as previous year 14.5 Annual Statutory Council Meeting – to be held at 6pm 15 th May
GB22-23-245	15 Glynde Pool –Update– 15.1 Nothing from CIC - nothing 15.2 General Pool Update: Groundwork completed, Cracks being filled by Glynde Estates**, New work reqd to level the top of the pool. Pooltech have started work, coping stones will be selected this week, Crowd funder used for coping stones has been very successful. Liner to be installed 22nd April. We will consider the remainder of the environment when there is more clarity with the finances. Generally everything running to schedule... Clerk to ask the Pool CIC and Glynde Estates for remaining donations to cover latest bills.
GB22-23-246	16 . Firle School 16.1 Impact of A27 Improvements – Standing item following removal of School Bus - No update 16.2 The Oak Tree Federation consultation – the Parish Council are in support of the move to being an academy and support the management team in their proposal
GB22-23-247	17 Play Area 17.1 Goal Post – Cllr Sadler obtaining a price from a local resource 17.2 Basket Swing – Clerk to chase 17.3 Play Area Play Inspection – Clerk to review and pull-out issues for easier consideration. 17.4 Future Plans for playground - 17.4.1 Budgeting for repairs and maintenance – Play Safe 17.4.2 Playground Upgrade Project – Cllr Gribble has found someone to potentially move forward with a Play area action group. 17.4.3 Grass Cutting Contract – It was RESOLVED to renew with John Oconner – Clerk to advise
GB22-23-248	18 Recreation Ground Electricity Supply Point –. No update -Clerk to re-send out to Councillors
GB22-23-249	19 Planning - Change of use of former railway station to a bar and light refreshment facility, use ClassE(b) (Resubmission of SDNP/23/03422/FUL) – The Council has no comment with respect to the application There were 2 request for planning in relation to tree cutting SDNP/24/01044/TCA and SDNP/24/01043/TCA – The Council has no comment to make with respect to either of these applications to cut back trees
GB22-23-250	20 Councillor Reports and Items for Future Meetings 20.1 No items in addition to the points above...

GB22-23-251

21 Date of next meeting – It was RESOLVED that the next meeting of Glynde and Beddingham Parish Council will be Wednesday 15th May 2024 which will be the 2024-25 Annual Statutory Council Meeting and Annual Meeting of the Parish to be held in the Reading Room - Commencing 18:00

*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).

** It has been formally agreed by email, 28 November 2023, that for all matters in Glynde & Beddingham Parish Council minutes relating or referring to Glynde Estates, that they shall be directly referred to as Glynde Estates

The meeting closed at 21:32

Signed:

Date: 13/03/2024

Print Name:

- Chairman

DRAFT