#### **SELLING PARISH COUNCIL**

# NOTICE OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING WHICH WILL BE HELD AT SELLING VILLAGE HALL ON 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2019 AT 8PM

All members of the Council are hereby summoned to attend for the purpose of considering and resolving the business to be transacted at the meeting as set out in the agenda

## AGENDA

Open Session - To ask the public if they wish to speak against any agenda item.

## 1. Apologies for Absence

To receive and approve apologies and reasons for absence

## 2. Declarations of Interest and Update to Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

To hear declarations of interest relating to items in this agenda

- 3. **Minutes -** To approve the minutes of the meeting held 6<sup>th</sup> March 2019.
- 4. To receive an update about progress of resolutions from the last meeting -

Streetlights – update Newsletter – update

Anonymous donor- update

Appointment of the clerk – update

Big Lunch update

Survey update

Perrywood update

Election update

Defibrillator update

## 5. Finance Matters

i. To approve the following payments:

SSE Energy	£ TBA(approx. £26)	Street Lights – Apr DD
Locum Clerk	£393.50	Payment for Mar (Chq1270)
Selling Village Hall	£310.00	Hire 18/19 (Chq 1271)
Rural Kent	£52	Membership renewal (Chq 1272)
Selling Cricket Club	£20	Hire of hall Feb 2019 (1273)
Clerk	£260.40	March hours (chq 1274)

ii. To approve the draft level of reserves and payments sheet 2018-2019 as of 25/03/19 if statements have been received, and one councillor to sign the statements and payment summary to confirm reconciliation.

## 6. Planning Matters

19/501267/FULL Erection of detached and attached garages previously approved under SW/95/0514. Change of use of existing stables and attached garage to granny annexe including new chimney, septic tank and timber decking. ADDRESS: Little Owens Court Farmhouse Selling Road Selling ME13 9QH COMMENTS

- 7. Swale Borough Council request for naming of lane in Selling.
- 8. Councillor Hobson proposes that SPC consider all quotations from different website providers with costings of design & annual maintenance for re-design of its website and decide the preferred option (supporting paper with quotes to be provided with agenda)
- 9. Councillor Hobson proposes that SPC explain the current position of the planning application for the proposed playground / recreational facility and set out any proposed next steps
- **10.** "The chair puts forward a motion that SPC supports the Bee Project by having the project covered by SPC insurance."
  - i. KCC Highways have agreed that the Project can sow seeds and grow flowers on the verge around Neames Forstal but require the Project to have public indemnity insurance. If certain conditions are met, volunteers will need to be accountable to the council and for there to be risk assessment undertaken, the insurance will cover the project.

- **11**. The Chair proposes that SPC buy the equipment as specified in the quotes attached for the clerk as soon as practical. Quotes from local suppliers submitted.
- 12. Cllr Saunders requests that SPC puts in the public domain at this council meeting (3 April 2019) by reading out the written responses sent by the Monitoring Officer to Selling Parish Council in December 2018/January 2019 about the Complaint against a Councillor raised with Swale Borough Council, as recorded in the minutes of SPC meeting held on 21 November 2019, item 13. Closed Session "Staff Grievance After discussion it was proposed and agreed that the Council would submit a formal complaint to the Monitoring Officer regarding breaches of the Code of Conduct in respect of behaviour towards the clerk.", and the SPC meeting held on 5 December 2018 item 4. "Staff grievance update this is ongoing.", since when no update has been made public.
- 13. Cllr Saunders requests that all costs including staff overtime and expenses relating to SPC raising with the SBC Monitoring Officer a formal complaint 'regarding breaches of the Code of Conduct in respect of behaviour towards the clerk" are itemised and accounted for as a separate item of expenditure paid out of public funds by Selling Parish Council.
- 14. Cllr Saunders requests that the SPC's response to the External Auditor regarding the concerns raised by an elector about the 2017-2018 annual accounts of SPC be published in full, along with all correspondence between SPC and the barrister whose services the council sought and paid for out of public funds at a cost of some £900 in 2018, as these documents were produced and quoted from by Cllr Ash Rehal at the Annual Parish Meeting held in May 2018, and therefore are in the public domain.
- 15. Cllr Saunders puts the resolution that SPC contracts Kent County Council's FREE website design and web server service for Parish Councils through their specialist company EIS <a href="www.eis.co.uk">www.eis.co.uk</a> to undertake all works required to replace, make live and maintain the existing website (while retaining the <a href="www.sellingparishcouncil.org">www.sellingparishcouncil.org</a> address) as this will be undertaken at no cost to Selling residents.

## 16. Correspondence

Perrywood House Orchard Email from a parishioner regarding housing in Perry Wood. Email already forwarded to all councillors In January.

- 17. Members reports; Selling School, Perry Wood, Village Hall, KALC, Mid Kent Downs & Other Outside bodies, Documents, Footpaths, Highways
- 18. To Confirm the Date of the next Meeting is the Annual Parish meeting on 10<sup>th</sup> April 2019 and the next parish council meeting is on 15<sup>th</sup> May 2019 and will be the annual parish meeting.

  Open forum 15 Minutes

Colleen Hawkett- 28/3/18

Supporting docs: Draft minutes Mar 2019, invoices, financial statement, quotes for IT