

SELLING PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held at Selling Village Hall on
Thursday 16th January 2020 at 7.00pm

Present: Cllr Andrew Bowles (Chair), Cllr Kevin Hobson, Cllr Amanda Saunders, Cllr Sue Henderson, Cllr David Woollett and Wendy Gregory (Clerk) **and 1 member of the public**

01.20.01 Welcome and apologies for absence

Cllr Bowles welcomed attendees.

01.20.02 Declarations of interests and dispensations

Cllrs had no interests to declare.

01.20.03 Items to be taken in private session

No items were taken in private session

01.20.04 Confirmation of the minutes of the meeting held on 19th December 2019

The minutes of the meeting held on 19th December were approved. Proposed by Cllr Henderson and seconded by Cllr Hobson and agreed by the Chairman who was also at the meeting of December.

01.20.05 Clerk's Report

The Clerk's report was received. The previously approved cheque payment to Selling Village Hall was cancelled and the items will now be purchased as follows: a) wood for posts from Jackson's to be purchased directly through the council, b) hire of equipment from Jewson's cheque payment to Selling Village Hall, c) a request for a quotation was made to the supplier of the noughts and crosses playboard and will be purchased directly by the Parish Council and d) the basketball ring board and ball will be purchased by The Clerk and the amount reclaimed on expenses.

01.20.06 Matters of interest arising (for information only)

None.

01.20.07 Open Forum

Cllr Bowles gave an update on his first week at County Hall. The new leader of KCC launched the plan for the next 5-years which has gone out to the County for consultation.

01.20.08 Highways Matters

Cllr Bowles advised the meeting that he had reported 2 potholes in Church Lane.

The Parish Council are awaiting the appointment of the new Engineering Officer responsible for designing new schemes, to arrange a site meeting for the speed limit assessment at Neames Forstal.

The Parish Council are awaiting a response to the request for the Selling Road and in particular Hogben's Hill to be reinstated on the gritting route.

Actions: The Clerk to keep in contact with Paul Brand until the new appointment of the Engineering Officer has been made and then arrange the site meeting.

Actions: The Clerk to keep in contact with Kent Highways to follow up the request that Selling Road is put back on to the gritting route.

01.20.09 Village Survey

Actions: Cllr Hobson to set-up the electronic version of the survey and upload the survey form onto the website and to Facebook with a closing date for completion and return of 29 February, 2020.

01.20.10 Lighting (5 x street lights) Survey of 18 houses

No update.

Actions: Cllr Bowles to meet with The Clerk to draft an information sheet to share with the residents of the 18 houses to resolve the matter of the lighting.

01.20.11 Financial matters.

a) Bank Account Balances and Reconciliation

Balances:	
Account	Balance as of 14/01/20
Current Account	£ 23,089.59
Reserve Account	£ 5,212.34
Total	£ 28,301.93

The bank account balances and reconciliation were approved and agreed unanimously.

b) Resolved. Payments were agreed as follows:

20/12/19	D/D	Statement	SSE - lighting costs	£ 25.56
16/01/20	1311	Invoice	SLCC ILCA training for clerk	£ 118.80
16/01/20	1312	Invoice	Mrs Wendy Gregory Clerks salary and expenses	£ 421.02
16/01/20	1313	Invoice	S & J Services	£ 432.00
16/01/20	1314	Invoice	Jackson's Fencing	£ 508.20
16/01/20	1315	Statement	Selling Parish Hall	£ 66.15

01.20.12 Councillors reports

Selling School – studying ‘safety on the internet’.

Perry Wood – The bin that had previously been reported, has been removed

Public Rights Of Way – no report

KALC Swale Area Council/outside bodies – Buckingham Palace Garden Parties 2020. It was agreed that the Vice-Chairman Cllr Kevin Hobson, be nominated for Swale Area as Chairman Cllr Bowles has attended previously.

Actions: The Clerk to complete the nomination form and submit to Terry Martin of KALC no later than 23 January 2020.

Church Buildings Trust– no report

Consultation Documents – None

Mid-Kent Downs – no report

Village Hall – no report

01.20.13 Correspondence

The Mayor of Faversham’s invitation to attend the Charity Banquet and Ball

Draft for Swale Heritage Strategy

Clerks and Councils District magazine

Kent Voice magazine

01.20.14 Planning Applications

None received

01.20.15 Items for the next agenda

i) Ideas for commemorating the 75th anniversary of VE DAY

ii) Ideas for a speaker for the Annual Parish Meeting

Any further items to be considered should be emailed to :

clerk@sellingparishcouncil.gov.uk by Wednesday 12th February, 2020.

The meeting closed at 08:12pm

The next meeting will be held in Selling Village Hall on Thursday 20 February 2020 at 7:00pm

Signed.......... Date 20/2/2020.....