**BODIAM PARISH COUNCIL**

**The minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 24 March 2014 at 7.00 p.m. in Bodiam Parish Room**

**Present:**

Councillor Geoffrey Goodsell (Chair)

Councillor Graham Peters

Councillor Richard Mitchell

In attendance:

Mrs V Davies (clerk)

PCSO Demi Georghuiou

RDC Councillor Sue Prochak

ESCC Angharad Davies

No members of the Public present.

**37/2014. Apologies for Absence** were accepted from: Councillor Janet Gardner, Councillor Barbara Napper, , RDC Graham Browne,

**38/2014.**  **Disclosure of Interests**

There were no disclosures.

**39/2014. To approve the minutes**

The minutes of the meeting on 20.1.14 and 24.2.14 were signed as an accurate record of the meeting. Councillor Goodsell signed the minutes.

**40/2014. Crime and Disorder**

PCSO Georghuiou advised that no crime had been reported. There had been issues with pot holes and a car driving across the green on Levetts Lane. The children of Bodiam Primary School had raised the issue of the speed of traffic at the Parish Assembly. PCSO Georghuiou would raise the issue with the police traffic department.

**41/2014 -Planning**

RR/2014/637/T- To Carry out selective coppicing or hornbeams and to remove dead wood – 12 Castle Hurst, Bodiam TN32 5UW. Councillors supported the application.

**42/2014 -Trees and footpaths.**

Councillor Mitchell would walk the footpath near Elms Farm.

**43/2014 - Bodiam Parish Council**

1. **Parish Assembly**

The Parish Assembly had taken place on 20 March 2014. Action: Clerk to write to school thanking them for their participation.

Action: Clerk to contact BT about broken glass in phone box and request for repainting.

1. **Mowing contract.**

Only one tender had been received from Commercial Services Trading Limited.

**Resolution: The contract from Commercial Services Trading Limited was accepted.**

1. **Removal of Facility to Provide Paper Plans**

Resolution: Clerk to investigate the costs of A3/A2 printer.

Resolution: Clerk to investigate the costs of projector.

Resolution: Councillor Peters to raise the issue at RALC

1. **Housing**

The Chairman would meet with Amicus Horizon in April and show them the old the playground site. The site was owned by Rother District Council. Discussion took place regarding setting up a neighbourhood plan.

Resolution: Councillors Peters to contact Airs.

Action: Councillors to look through the Seddlescombe Plan.

1. Bus Service

The bank holiday and Sunday services commences on Good Friday. After 1 April Pensioners would only receive free travel after 9.30 am

**44/2014 - Rother District Council**

There had been a police report to RDC. There had been a reduction in crime. There was a change in the committee structure. In the new year there would only be one scrutiny committee.

**There were no members of the public present; therefore the meeting was not opened for public participation.**

**45/2014. East Sussex County Council**

ESCC Councillor Davies reported that Ofsted had inspected the Childrens’ Services Department. All areas were rated as good apart from fostering and adoption which had been rated outstanding.

**46/2014 -**  **Recreation Ground**

1. **Changing rooms: general up-keep, inspections and security**

The caretaker had worked extremely hard to bring the pavilion to standard.

Resolution: Clerk to research costs of fridges and report back to next meeting.

Resolution: Councillor Goodsell to meet with Westridge Construction.

A First Aid Kit had been obtained and would be re-erected once the flooding in the pavilion had been resolved.

**b) Bookings:**

Senlac had confirmed the booking of the Recreation Ground on 15 June 2014.

**47/2014**. **Finances**

1. **To receive RFO report and balances**

Balances: Current and Deposit accounts as of 12.3.14, £10,726.62 outstanding cheques**:** £0.

1. **To authorise payments and note receipts:**

Cheques were signed by the Councillor Goodsell and Councillor Peters. The vouchers were scrutinised by Councillor Goodsell and the balances were verified by Councillor Peters.

**Summary of Receipts**

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| **5.4.13** | **Precept**  | **£4,413.00** |
| **5.4.13** | **Parish CTS grant** | **£533.09** |
| **6.4.13** | **VAT repayment** | **£446.62** |
| **2.6.13** | **Interest** | **£0.36** |
| **17.9.13** | **West Ridge Construction** | **£75.00** |
| **27.9.13** | **Precept** | **£4,412.00** |
| **30.9.13** | **Interest** | **£0.37** |
| **15.10.13** | **West Ridge Construction** | **£50.00** |
| **15.10.13** | **Bodiam Cricket Club** | **£150.00** |
| **22.10.13** | **Claremont School** | **£300.00** |
| **23.10.11** | **Senlac** | **£600.00** |
| **18.11.13** | **Hurst Green** | **£100.00** |
| **23.12.13** | **Westridge Construction** | **£150.00** |
| **30.12.13** | **Interest** | **£0.36** |

**Payments**

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| **CHEQ NO** | **PAYEE** | **AMOUNT** | **DESCRIPTION** |  |
| 1500 | EDF | £42.54 | ElectricitySigned 11.2.13 outside of meeting but approved by Councillors | S44 |
| 1501 | Commercial Services Trading | £744.92 | MowingSigned 11.2.13 outside of meeting but approved by Councillors | S44 |
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 | Bodiam Primary School | £55.00 | Donation | S137 |
| 1510 | Rural Rother Trust | £65.00 | Donation | S137 |
| 1511 | Hawkhurst League of Friends | £60.00 | Donation | S137 |
| 1512 | Sussex County Playing Fields | £15.00 | Donation | S137 |
| 1513 | St Michaels Hospice | £80.00 | Donation | S137 |
| 1514 | Bodiam Primary School | £10.00 | Hire of Room-Parish Assembly | S111 |
| 1515 | Parker Ashcombe Trust | £13.00 | Hire of Room | S111 |
| 1517 | Inland Revenue | £19.20 | Clerk Tax | S151, 112(1) |
| 1518 | EDF | £31.13 | Electricity | S44 |
| 1520 | St Giles Church | 210.00 | Churchyard | S215(6) |
| 1521 | V Davies | £150.80 | Clerk Salary | S151, 112(1) |
| 1522 | SSALC | £17.00 | Subs | S143 |
| 1523 | Land Lake and Woodland Clearance | £234.00 | Fencing | S44 |
| 1524 | P Marsh | £112.28 | Caretaking | S44 |
| 1525 | National Trust | £60.00 | Food Parish Assembly | S111 |

**48/2014 Date of next meeting.** 28 April 2014

**There being no further business, the Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 8.00 pm.**