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The Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting of the Chalvington with Ripe Parish Council (CWRPC) that took place at the Hayton Baker Hall, Ripe on Monday 1st July commencing 7 pm.

Present: Cllr P. Bishop (Chair), Cllr N. Hamblin, Cllr A. Harvey, Cllr W. Farrer and Cllr Simon Flint.

In attendance: ESCC Cllr Bennett, Cllr Alison Wilson (WDC) and Sam Adeniji (Parish Clerk)

Members of the public: 7.

113. Attendance and Apologies for Absence - Cllr J. Ruddock-West and Cllr C.Hallworth,

114. Declarations of Interest – None.

115. Approval of the Minutes of the Annual Council Meeting held on 3rd June 2024.

It was RESOLVED to APPROVE the minutes and that the Chair could sign them.

116. Public Session - None.

117. Report of the Member of Parliament

None

118. Report of the County Councillor

None

119. Report of the District Councillor

Wealden District Council (WDC) Councillor Cllr Alison Wilson stated reported that

- WDC has launched its Community, Infrastructure and Spaces capital grants program, over £120,000.
- All the submissions received in response to the consultation on the local plan have been verified and processed. The submissions received compares favourably with other local authorities.
- The crematorium is having an open day on the 31st of July at 11.00am

RESOLVED - That the report of the District Councillor be noted.

120. Planning.

a) Applications.

- **WD/2024/1272/F - Cart Shed, Church Farm Ripe -** Conversion Of Redundant Cartshed To Residential

It was noted that planning application has previously been granted but lapsed because work hadn't started. There is no change in the design in terms of size

RESOLVED – To support the application.

- **WD/2024/1194/LB - Chipps Cottage And Pelham Cottage, The Street, Lewes, Ripe, BN8 6DB -** Re-Tile The Existing Roof And Associated Roof Works - Listed Building Consent.

Members noted that an email was from the applicant. It was noted that the existing slate is of Welsh origin, which is in short supply leading to prohibitive lead times for its supply – 6-9 months, hence the applicant is proposing to alternatives which are made in Canada but very similar. Members were advised that it would be difficult to notice

any differences.

RESOLVED – To support the application.

b) Planning applications refused, approved, referred, withdrawn or appeals.

- **REFUSED** - WD/2023/1733/F - Green Farm Barn and Freshfield, Chalvington Lane, Chalvington, BN27 3TA - New 3 bay garage, reconfiguration of the driveway and boundary, plus internal alterations to existing residential outbuilding to form habitable accommodation with associated external alterations.
- **REFUSED** - WD/2023/1732/LB - Freshfield and Green Farm Barn, Chalvington Road, Chalvington, BN27 3TA - Demolition of north-eastern ground floor wall and roof and erection of single-storey side extension to freshfield, new doors and windows and replacement windows
- **REFUSED** - WD/2023/1731/F - Freshfield and Green Farm Barn, Chalvington Road, Chalvington, BN27 3TA - Demolition of north-eastern ground floor wall and roof and erection of single-storey side extension to freshfield, reconfiguration of the existing driveway, new doors and windows and replacement windows, relocation of oil tank and reconfiguration of domestic garden boundary with green farm barn.
- **REFUSED** - WD/2024/0024/F - Land at Manor Park, Mark Cross Lane, Ripe, BN8 6AW - Demolition of a storage building, garage and all Weather tennis court, and the erection of 4 no. Dwellings on previously developed land.
- **WITHDRAWN** - WD/2023/1734/LB - Green Farm Barn And Freshfield, Chalvington Lane, Chalvington, BN27 3TA - New 3 Bay Garage, Reconfiguration Of The Driveway And Boundary, Plus Internal Alterations To Existing Residential Outbuilding To Form Habitable Accommodation With Associated External Alterations.
- **REFUSED** - WD/2023/3073/FR - Downsview Farmhouse, Sheepcote Lane, Chalvington, BN27 3SY - Retrospective Application For Conversion And Extension Of Agricultural Building To Form Dwelling.

121. Other planning matters

None

122. Highways, footpaths and rights of way. – none

123. Update on The Community Field– Members were informed that there are no updates on the Community Field. The D- Day 80 commemoration on the community field was a great success. Members agreed that the Parish council should write to all those involved (including bell ringers, the Church and the community association) in organizing the event to thank them their support.

RESOLVED – Noted.

124. Grant Application from the Village Hall Management Committee - To consider an application from the Village Hall Management Committee for a grant of £350.00 for the Hayton Baker Hall.

Members noted that the sum of £350 was allocated in the 2024/25 budget for a grant to the Village Hall Management Committee. . Members noted that the Village Hall is vital to the parish.

RESOLVED – That a grant of £350.00 be made to the Village Hall Management Committee.

125. Financial matters –

- a. Bank reconciliation statement and Budget Monitoring Report for Month 3 - The Council took note of the Bank reconciliation statement and Budget Monitoring Report for Month 2.

RESOLVED – To note and accept the Bank reconciliation statement and Budget Monitoring Report for Month 3.

- b. Authorisation of payment of account
The Clerk presented the schedule of payments, circulated previously. After review and

consideration, it was **RESOLVED** that the payments be approved. The payment schedule is attached in Appendix A.

126. Correspondence

None.

127. Urgent Items

Cllr Hamblin reported that he has been in contact with Rise Joinery to discuss the bench maintenance. According to Rise Joinery, the previous Parish Council were told that they would only make the bench if it was maintained and supply it with coats of teak oil as needed. Rise Joinery stated that this would need to be done twice a year and that the bench would be unusable for at least three days in a row. The charge will be approx. £275 plus VAT plus the oil. Cllr Hamblin explained that there is an alternative as a resident was very kind enough to offer to undertake the refurbishment of the bench if necessary. The alternative would entail the Council buying teak oil for the volunteers to apply on the bench. This option would be explored, and a motion would be brought to a future meeting of the Council.

128. Dates of next meeting - The next Ordinary Parish Meeting will be held on 2nd September 2024 commencing at 7 pm at the Hayton Baker Hall.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 7.33 pm

Signed..... Chairman

Date.....

APPENDIX A – Payments

Payments July 2024

Income since last meeting	Amount
Bank Interest	£ 26.72
Prehall (Half)	-
TOTAL INCOME	£ 26.72

BALANCES ON ACCOUNT	
Current Account (Community)	£ 7,208.41
Deposit Account (Business Premium)	£ 11,018.33
TOTAL BALANCES	£ 18,226.74

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PAID SINCE LAST MEETING TO BE APPROVED	Invoiced Services	Folio number	Chq Nos	Amount
				£ -

To Pay after this Meeting	Invoiced Services	Folio number	Chq Nos	Amount
IONOS	Web Domain (DD)	25		£ 1.80
Chichester Payroll Services	Payroll Company working out Clerk's May salary	26		£ 15.00
Sam Adeniji	Parish Clerk Net Pay For May	27		£ 507.17
HMRC	Tax & NIC On Parish Clerk Salary May	28		£ 126.80
Hugo Fox	Web Host Hugo Fox (DD)	29		£ 11.99
Chris Butler Archaeological Services Ltd	Preparation of desk based assessment report for RACCA	30		£ 420.00
				£ 1,082.76

CIL FUNDS		CIL FUNDS	
RECEIPTS	VALUE	EXPENDITURE (net - before VAT)	VALUE
Opening Balance	£ 26,346.19	ESCC - Licences - posts	£ 445.50
WDC - CIL Oct 2020 to March 2021	£ 6,790.11	Costain - Install bike posts	£ 1,013.00
WDC - CIL Oct 2021 to March 2022	£ 1,966.67	Zara - Island designs	£ 795.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS	£ 35,102.97	SH Solicitors - CIL advice July	£ 75.00
		SH Solicitors - advice	£ 1,350.00
		Costain - abortive visit	£ 294.11
		Architect fees - design and tender process	£ 1,744.63
		ESCC - S171 fees	£ 295.00
		Island 1 refurbishment	£ 14,060.00
		Legal advice - CIL (August 2020)	£ 125.00
		CIL island cleats (Christmas tree)	£ 327.92
		Electrical connection	£ 600.00
		Extension lead (Christmas tree)	£ 21.45
		Abortive community space costs	£ 1,344.00
		50% payment for bench	£ 4,445.00
		RISE JOINERY LTD second payment	£ 3,111.50
		RISE JOINERY LTD final payment	£ 1,333.50
		RACCA	£ 2,236.37
		RACCA (2024)	£ 954.00
		RACCA (2024)	£ 293.00
		RACCA (2024)	£ 420.00
		TOTAL EXPENDITURE as at 01/07/2024	£ 35,283.98
		COMMITMENTS (net - before VAT)	VALUE
		Community space commitment (approved)	£ 2,406.00
		TOTAL COMMITMENTS	£ 2,406.00
		TOTAL RECEIPTS	£ 35,102.97
		TOTAL EXPENDITURE	-£ 35,283.98
		TOTAL COMMITMENTS	-£ 2,406.00
		BALANCE	-£ 2,587.01

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Balance excluding commitments -£ 181.01