

# PARISH COUNCIL OF PLAYDEN, EAST SUSSEX

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## Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> September 2024 at 7.30 p.m.

### Present:

**Councillors:**, Mr P Osborne (PO) Chairman, Mr T Lenihan (TL) Vice Chairman, Mr D Stone (DS), Mr A. Dickinson (AD).

**East Sussex County Council (ESCC):** Cllr Keith Glazier

**Rother District Council (RDC) Councillor:** Cllr Lizzy Hacking (LH)

**Members of the Public:** 2

	Item	Action
1	<b>To accept apologies for absence:</b> None	
2	<b>Declarations of interest on items on the agenda:</b> None	
3	<b>To approve the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on 11<sup>th</sup> July 2024.</b>  The minutes were unanimously approved and signed by PO.	
4	<b>Reports from visiting Councillors:</b>  <b>East Sussex County Council (ESCC) Councillor: Cllr Keith Glazier</b> Keith had taken the highways steward round the area looking at the road problems. One of the recent landslides is still partially blocking Military Road. The landslip is the responsibility of the landowner who is required to come up with a design to remove and stabilise the cliff. This is awaited by ESCC.  <b>Rother District Councillor:</b> LH had no updates. PO mentioned that there are community grants available. The Rother Council plan to 2040 is out for consultation.	
5	<b>Neighbourhood Watch.</b> LH reported that there had been an increase in reported rural crime.	
6	<b>Confirmation of the council's response to Rother District Council's draft Local Plan and further information received in response to queries. <i>To document response in the minutes.</i></b> The Council's response is attached to these minutes.	

7	<p><b>Public adjournment: To suspend the meeting for any public statements. <i>The period allocated to this is a maximum of 15 minutes.</i></b></p> <p>It was reported that cyclists had been using the footpaths as an alternative to the main road and this had caused dangerous situations for pedestrians forcing them off the path.</p> <p>It was also reported that the railings next to the culvert near The Oasts had partially collapsed. The councillors discussed if it was necessary to replace these. KG will report and get someone to look at them.</p> <p>There was a report of fly tipping.</p>	
8	<p><b>Matters arising from minutes of 11<sup>th</sup> July 2024 and not covered elsewhere.</b></p> <p>None</p>	
9	<p><b>Correspondence:</b></p> <p>The Clerk had received emails regarding the Parish Council’s response to Rother District Council’s Local Plan and had sent copies of the Parish Council’s response to the parishioners who had asked for this.</p> <p>A resident of Rye had questioned if the parish council was going to change their decision to not have a Neighbourhood Plan (NP). The councillors discussed this and concluded that they would not embark on the development of a NP.</p> <p>It was noted that out of the thirty four parishes and towns in the Rother District Council (RDC) area only eight have a NP the last one being Peasmarsch this year. Three had started and have not proceeded. There are no further NP’s in progress. (Source RDC). All the NPs completed need to be assessed again in 2026 to ensure they remain in line with RDC’s new local plan.</p> <p>The Clerk had received an email regarding changes to the bus services including the reductions to some services -revised timetables will be issued. There is a continuation of various fare reduction initiatives such as £1 off peak for children or 50p if with an adult.</p> <p>The East Sussex Flexibus service has been altered having now a single zone instead of seven and a 14 mile maximum trip distance.</p>	
10	<p><b><u>Planning</u></b></p> <p><b><u>New Applications</u></b></p> <p><b><u>RR/2024/1392/P</u></b></p> <p><b>Crabapple Cottage Land at Houghton Green Lane, Playden TN31 7PL</b></p> <p>Proposed demolition of existing outbuilding and erection of replacement building to be used as a holiday let with associated facilities.</p>	

	<p>The council discussed this application. The clerk to summarise the concerns raised and send a suggested wording out to be agreed.</p> <p><b><u>Ongoing:</u></b></p> <p><b>RR/2024/919/P</b>  <b>Brookgate, Folkestone Road, East Guldeford, TN31 7PB</b>  Proposed replacement dwelling  Undecided..</p> <p><b><u>Outcomes.</u></b></p> <p><b>None</b></p> <p><b><u>Appeals</u></b></p> <p>None</p>	Clerk
11	<p><b>Accounts</b></p> <p>a) <b>Expenditure</b> – to approve the following expenditure:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Payment of £200 in respect of the hire and running costs of the WI Hall for the next year.</li> <li>• Payment of £600 towards the annual upkeep of St Michael’s Church Playden churchyard (which acts as the civil parish burial ground).</li> <li>• Parish Online Mapping.: £42.00</li> <li>• Clerks wages carried forward.</li> </ul> <p>b) <b>Income.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Half year precept. £2,500.</li> </ul>	
12	<p><b>Parish Councillors reports.</b></p> <p>None</p>	

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.30pm

**THE DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING 5<sup>th</sup> September 2024 at 7.30pm.**

Signed:

Chairman

Date: