

**Minutes of Sevington with Finberry Parish Council**  
**Meeting held at the Chamber of Commerce on Monday, 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2022 at 7.30pm**

**Present**                      Cllr Martin (Chair)                      Cllr Bartram  
                                      Cllr Hughes                                      Cllr Townsend

In attendance: Tracey Block (Clerk)

To be actioned by:

<p><b>To receive and approve apologies for absence</b>                  Cllrs Bartlett, Lemon and Whybrow had sent apologies ahead of the meeting. These apologies were approved.                  There was a discussion regarding the elections in May.</p>							
<p><b>To receive declarations of Interest (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests and Other Significant Interests). The nature as well as the existence of any such interest must be declared.</b>                  Cllr Hughes declared an interest in the IBF due to the proximity of his home to the site.</p>							
<p><b>To approve the minutes Sevington with Finberry Parish Council meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> September 2022.</b>                  The minutes of the meeting on 5<sup>th</sup> September were signed as a true copy.</p>							
<p><b>To discuss matters arising from previous minutes that are not covered by the agenda</b>                  Dawnie Nilsson has not yet responded to the request regarding the Land Terrier.                  Daniel Wilson from Crest Nicholson has agreed to attend the meeting on 9<sup>th</sup> January 2023.                  Cllr Hughes reported that he had spoken to the Manager of the Truckstop and once the workers could litterpick safely, his team would litter pick on the other side of the A2070.</p>							
<p><b>Public session: To receive questions and comments from the public on any agenda item</b>                  There were no public in attendance.</p>							
<p><b>Borough Councillors Report</b>                  Paul Bartlett's Borough Councillor Report had been circulated and was taken as read.                   The Chairman explained that the content of Paul Bartlett's report was very useful and encouraged others to read this:  <a href="http://www.sevingtonwithfinberrypc.org.uk/community/sevington-with-finberry-parish-council-13425/abc-councillor-report/">http://www.sevingtonwithfinberrypc.org.uk/community/sevington-with-finberry-parish-council-13425/abc-councillor-report/</a></p>							
<p><b>Financial matters:</b>                   To note/authorise the following:  <b>To note the Parish Council's financial position.</b>                  The Parish Council has £16171.78 in the bank   <b>To authorise any payments</b>                   Payments were authorised as follows:</p> <table border="1" style="margin-left: auto; margin-right: auto; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 80%;"></td> <td style="text-align: center;">£</td> </tr> <tr> <td>HMRC</td> <td style="text-align: center;">123.40</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Kent Chamber of Commerce</td> <td style="text-align: center;">60.00</td> </tr> </table>		£	HMRC	123.40	Kent Chamber of Commerce	60.00	
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PKF Littlejohn LLP	240.00		
Litterpicker	138.53		
Clerk	384.70		
Clerk's expenses	91.27		
<p><b>To agree to remain opted in to the SAAA Central Audit Appointment Arrangements</b></p> <p>The Parish Council agreed to remain opted in to the SAAA Central Audit Appointment Arrangements</p>			
<p><b>To consider any changes to the Risk Assessment.</b></p> <p>The Parish Council considered the Risk Assessment and there were no changes to be made.</p>			
<p><b>Planning matters: to authorise a response to any application(s) and to note any recent planning decisions by Ashford Borough Council or any correspondence on planning matters.</b></p> <p><b>a. To authorise a response to any application(s) and to note any recent planning decisions by Ashford Borough council or any correspondence on planning matters.</b></p> <p>The Planning lead had supplied a report to the Council.</p> <p>The Councillors are to view OTH/2022/2014 – minor amendment being the withdrawal of the management plan.</p>			
<p><b>To discuss priorities for the Council going forward</b></p> <p>The Clerk had contacted the Clerks to SWAN Community Council and Kennington Community Council. Fairshare had also been contacted to see how many postcodes in the area might be using a Foodbank.</p> <p>The Parish Council felt that their ability to assist is very limited. The Clerk is to bring 3 budget options in the hope that a reduction in Council Tax would help everyone in the Parish.</p>			
<p><b>To receive an update on any matters pertaining to Sevington North</b></p> <p>Cllr Whybrow provided the following update: The goal posts on Sevington playing field have been removed, once renovated they will be re-seated. This is an Ashford Borough Council issue.</p> <p>The Jubilee tree is well established.</p> <p>The potholes on Church Road still require making good. This needs re-reporting to Kent Highways.</p> <p>The trees/foliage of Church Road towards Barrey Road require cutting back as they are overgrown and prevent street lights from lighting the public footpath now the nights are darker. This needs reporting.</p>			
<p><b>To receive an update on any matters pertaining to Finberry</b></p> <p>The sub-committee had nothing to report.</p> <p>The Clerk had received some communication from a resident of Kestrel Drive. The Clerk is waiting for ABC to confirm whether there is a TPO on an offending tree, Natalia from Crest has confirmed that she is looking to obtain an arborial report as this is a protected Ecology area. The Chairman will look at the area.</p>			

<p><b>To receive any update on IBF or Waterbrook</b> Daniel Fryd is to be chased for another meeting.</p>							
<p><b>To receive any update on Highways (to include the Bellamy Gurner Scheme)</b> Works on the Bellamy Gurner Scheme are on-going and progress is being made.</p>							
<p><b>Any other business (for information purposes only)</b> There was no other business to discuss.</p>							
<p><b>Determining the time and place of ordinary meetings of the Council up to and including the next annual meeting of the Council</b></p> <p>All at the Chamber of Commerce:</p> <table data-bbox="287 660 1157 784"> <tr> <td>Monday 7 November 2022</td> <td>Monday 9 January 2023</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Monday 6 February 2023</td> <td>Monday 6 March 2023</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Monday 4 April 2023</td> <td>Monday 8 May 2023</td> </tr> </table> <p>The meeting closed at 8.45pm</p>	Monday 7 November 2022	Monday 9 January 2023	Monday 6 February 2023	Monday 6 March 2023	Monday 4 April 2023	Monday 8 May 2023	
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