

Present D. McBeth in the Chair, Mrs M. Bolton, Dr V. Ingham, Mrs. C. M. Robinson, A. T. Jones, M. Madden, P. M. Smith and the Clerk.

88. Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on 12th August having been circulated, were taken as read, agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.
89. Casual Vacancy The application from Dr Victoria Ingham had been circulated prior to the meeting. It was agreed to co-opt Dr Victoria Ingham to the Council. Dr Ingham signed her Declaration of Acceptance of Office and took part in the meeting.
90. Minute 59 Neighbourhood Plan. It was reported that some 500 questionnaires had been returned and were being analyzed.
91. Minute 60 suggested additional Car Park in Keymer Road It was noted that there was no further information to date regarding the various surveys etc required.
92. Minute 61 Tree planting to commemorate First World War It was noted that this was in hand.
93. Minute 62 Yellow self closing gate on southern fence of children's Play area – this was being inspected during the week, a quotation was awaited.
94. Replacement of fence on both sides of the Burial Ground entrance from Lewes Road. Three quotations had been sought from approved contractors but two had replied that they no longer do the work, fresh quotes were awaited.
95. Minute 63 Fly problem in Ditchling 2012 & 2013 It was noted that there were very few flies about at the moment although the source had not been confirmed. It was agreed to wait until the end of September to see if there was any increase in the problem before contacting the Environmental Health Officer to thank him for all the investigations
96. Minute 65 Lack of Disabled parking at the Museum No further information to date.
97. Minute 67 Boddington's Lane Further details re the water problem awaited.
98. Minute 73 Proposed changes to rural bus services It was noted that a letter had been received from Norman Baker MP sent to all Parishes and Town Councils affected by the proposed cuts. He had been supplied with the Council's response.
99. Minute 79 Formal decision regarding the Sport England Grant. Phil Smith reported that following the meeting held with the Funders Clubs and Councillors on 21st August, it had been agreed to obtain a quotation for carryout out the levelling and turfing of the southern pitch for football, it would depend on the cost as to whether this would be included.
100. LDC Suggested Travellers' site in Beacon Road. Update on the reason that the proposal has moved further up the list of sites. It was reported by A.T. Jones that the South Downs National Park Authority was dealing with this matter but at present it was confidential.
101. Defibrillators. Update on legal position etc of having them in public places; further details were awaited.
102. SDNP/14/04082/FUL  
Applicant: Mr A Dawson  
Proposal: Retrospective Planning Application - Amendment to planning approval SDNP/13/01812/FUL & SDNP/13/03810/FUL for alterations to windows, doors and internal layout.  
Location: 1 Nye Lane, Ditchling  
No comment.
103. Finance matters  
a). Checklist for Audit and Insurance. The book was laid on the table having been scrutinised by the Financial Controller.

b) Accounts for payment. The list had been circulated prior to the meeting, the accounts were authorized for payment and the cheques signed by D. McBeth and A.T. Jones.

104. Mid Sussex District Council Traveller Sites Allocations Document Consultation Draft on its Traveller Sites Allocations Document. Details circulated on 7<sup>th</sup> August. This was noted.
105. Lewes District Council Invitation to East Sussex Community Resilience Fayre Wednesday 22nd October 6pm to 9pm, Sussex Downs College, Cross Levels Way Eastbourne. The Chairman and the Emergency Planning Leader are specially invited the theme will be "Are you prepared". This was noted.
106. E.S.A.L.C. Annual General Meeting. Crowborough Community Centre, Tuesday 2nd September at 10.00 followed by free entry to a Conference on Anti Social Behaviour by Katy Bourne Sussex PCC Followed by "2015 standing as a councillor" by Trevor Leggo. This was noted, the Chairman would be attending.
107. CPRE Country Voice. Latest copy received and laid on the table.
108. Lewes District Council Report. A.T. Jones gave a brief report.
109. Written reports by representatives No written reports received to date.  
Village Hall Management Committee Mrs Nicky Banfield  
Ditchling Pavilion Club -Mrs C. M. Robinson.  
The Ditchling Society –Mrs Nicky Banfield  
Ditchling Village Association – Mrs C.M. Robinson  
Lewes District Association of Local Councils (two representatives) – D. Mc Beth and P. Smith.
110. Matters raised by Councillors for exchange of information only.  
Groundsman wished to attend a Chain Saw Course. It was agreed to put this on the next Agenda.

Blocked drains There were several blocked drains which the Clerk was asked to report.

The late Belinda Brittain. It was noted that a Memorial Meeting for Worship was being held in the Village Hall at 3pm on Sunday, 28<sup>th</sup> September.

Speeding Request to put this on the Agenda for the next main meeting.

**Chairman**

**9<sup>th</sup> September 2014**