

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council of Eynsford, held on Thursday 16th May 2024, at Eynsford Parish Office at 7.10 p.m.

9143 PRESENT

Members Present

Mr A Cooke
Mr J Griffiths
Mrs J Laird
Mr O Young

Clerk in Attendance

Mrs H Ivaldi

Others Present

None

9144 ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON

Nominations were invited for the post of Chairperson. It was RESOLVED that Mr Robson be elected Chair of the Council.

9145 ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRPERSON

Nominations were invited for the post of Vice-Chairperson. It was RESOLVED that Mr Cooke be elected to Vice Chair of the Council.

9146 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

The following councillors gave apologies for absence: Mr Barker, Mr Naylor, Mr Robson, Mrs Sim. Apologies were also received from Mr J Gee and Mr R Gough.

9147 SIGNING OF DECLARATIONS OF ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE

The Declaration of Acceptance of Office, by the Vice Chair was signed. The Chair would sign the Declaration of Acceptance of Office as soon as practicable.

9148 APPOINTMENTS OF MEMBERS TO SERVE ON THE UNDERMENTIONED COMMITTEES

It was RESOLVED that the following Members will serve on the under mentioned committees:

Planning: All Members
Highways & Transportation: All Members
Community: All Members
Open Spaces: All Members
Facilities & Environment: All Members

9149 NOMINATIONS FOR NON-COUNCILLOR MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES

It was RESOLVED that Mr J Gee be a co-opted member of the Highways & Transportation, Open Spaces, and Facilities & Environment Committees.

9150 APPOINTMENT OF THREE COUNCILLORS TO SERVE ON THE GRIEVANCE AND DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE

It was RESOLVED that Mr Griffiths, Mrs Laird and Mr Cooke be appointed to serve on the above committee.

9151 APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO SERVE ON GDPR WORKING GROUP

It was RESOLVED that Mr Barker, Mr Naylor and Mrs Wintour (Deputy Clerk) be appointed to serve on the above working group.

9152 APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS OF THE TREE WORK SUB-COMMITTEE

It was RESOLVED that Mr Barker, Mr Naylor, Mr Baker (Tree Warden) and Mr Gee (Tree Warden) be appointed to serve on the above committee.

9153 APPOINTMENT OF INTERNAL AUDITOR

It was RESOLVED that Mr K Esmail be appointed Internal Auditor.

9154 DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

It was RESOLVED that, in principle, Parish Council main meetings will continue to be held on the third Thursday of each month and that Committee meetings will continue to be held on the first Monday of each month, except when it falls on a Bank Holiday, in which case it will usually be moved to the following Tuesday. That the August main meeting and January committee meetings will only be held if urgent business demands.

9155 APPOINTMENT OF TREE WARDENS

It was RESOLVED that Mr J Gee be appointed as Tree Wardens for the coming year and that Mr Baker acts as deputy.

9156 APPOINTMENT OF TRUSTEE TO ANTHONY ROPER CHARITY

It was noted that Ms J Groves' appointment as Trustee to the Anthony Roper Charity had already been approved until the end of her current term which ends October 2025.

9157 APPOINTMENT OF TRUSTEE TO THE ELEEMOSYNARY CHARITY OF HENRY COX

It was RESOLVED that Mr Naylor's appointment as Trustee to the Eleemosynary Charity of Henry Cox be approved for the coming year. It was noted that the Rector of the parish would continue to act as an ex-officio Trustee.

9158 APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE TO EYNSFORD VILLAGE SOCIETY

It was RESOLVED that Mr Naylor will represent the Council at meetings of Eynsford Village Society.

9159 APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE(S) TO KENT ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL COUNCILS (KALC)

It was RESOLVED that councillors will take turn to represent the Council at meetings of the Sevenoaks branch of Kent Association of Local Councils, and also on the Joint Transportation Board.

9160 APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE(S) TO THE SCHOOL RUN SAFETY CAMPAIGN (SRSC)

It was RESOLVED that Mrs Laird will represent the Council on the School Run Safety Campaign.

9161 APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE(S) TO DARENT VALLEY LANDSCAPE PARTNERSHIP (DVLPA)

It was RESOLVED that Mr Barker will represent the Council at meetings of Darent Valley Landscape Partnership and that Mr Naylor will deputise as required.

9162 APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE(S) TO LULLINGSTONE PARK LIAISON GROUP

It was RESOLVED that Mrs Laird will represent the Council at meetings of the Lullingstone Park Liaison Group and that Mr Cooke will deputise.

9163 APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE(S) ON THE HARROW MEADOW SUB-COMMITTEE

It was RESOLVED that Mr Cooke, Mr Robson and Mr Griffiths will represent the Council at meetings of the Harrow Meadow Sub-Committee which will also contain representatives from the football clubs using the pitch and facilities at Harrow Meadow.

9164 APPOINTMENT OF FLOOD WARDEN/S

It was RESOLVED that Mr Cooke and Mr Rix be appointed as Flood Wardens.

9165 APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE GREEN TEAM

It was RESOLVED that Mr Barker, Mrs Ivaldi, Mrs Laird, Mr Naylor, Ms Langridge Mr Cooper, Ms Russell, Mr Lewington, Ms Fereday and Miss Carter be appointed members of the Green Team.

9166 APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE/S TO THE DARENT VALLEY COMMUNITY RAIL PARTNERSHIP

It was RESOLVED that Mr Robson be appointed as representative to the Darent Valley Community Rail Partnership and that Mr Young will deputise.

9167 APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE TO CPRE

It was RESOLVED that Mr Young be appointed as representative to the local branch of CPRE (Campaign for Protection for Rural Environment).

The Annual Meeting of the Council closed at 7.34pm

Chairman: 20th June 2024