



SANDGATE PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of a meeting of the Resources Committee held on
Tuesday 12 November 2019 at 6 pm

Present: Chairman
Councillors

Clerks

Councillor Robert Bliss
Michael Fitch, Tim Prater, Tracy Stephens, Guy
Valentine-Neale & Adrian Watts,
S Horton, P Savage

The meeting commenced at 6.00 pm

There were no members of the public present.

1. **Apologies for absence** – Councillor Nina Bliss.
2. **Declarations of Interest**– there were none.
3. **Minutes** – The Minutes of the previous meeting of the Committee were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.
4. **Sandgate Park:**
The RFO provided an update on the following
 - 4.1 **Multi Use Games Area** – nothing new to report
 - 4.2 **Play equipment** –We have received confirmation that the insurance claim in respect of the damaged play equipment will be settled in full.
 - 4.3 **Fitness equipment** – nothing new to report
 - 4.4 **Caretaker's report** – RFO confirmed that the caretakers report had been received and accepted as read.
 - 4.5 **Furniture and signage** – RFO to chase signage with Harmers.
 - 4.6 **Dog run** – nothing new to report.
 - 4.7 **Boules pitch**– Discussed with Harmers and quote for top dressing being obtained. Discussion within committee about the best time to do this work and view is that prior to Easter next year. RFO to communicate to Harmers.
 - 4.8 **Car park**– RFO reported that there is no evidence that the car park is being misused by SAGA employees. Discussion within committee regarding possible future issues with builders working on the Martello Towers site. The existing enforcement process will hopefully deter. (RFO to seek report)
 - 4.9 **Toilets** Nothing new to report. Units are being stored by Harmers and will be repaired as required for use next season–
5. **Potential site transfers from Folkestone and Hythe District Councils** – RFO circulated a confidential note regarding background information detailing the sites to be acquired and F&HDC legal costs. Committee advised that the sites will come with a dowry of £6175. It was accepted that there will be some minor works required at the Golden Valley site. Committee discussed and considered the acquisitions and agreed to support. Decision to be recommended to full SPC Council to adopt. Proposed by Tim Prater and Seconded by Guy Valentine-Neale
6. **FHDC High street fund – possible applications** General discussion held with regard to the opportunities that this initiative presents. The scheme has £800k available until the end of March 2021 and up to 10 high streets including Sandgate can bid for monies. It was considered that a further meeting be held to fully consider options and that a working group be established involving local businesses. Initial step to be a communication inviting business people to be involved An update was

provided regarding CCTV and the RFO was requested to contact Rory Love seeking grant aid. Discussions to continue with possible suppliers and other funding sources

7. **Granville Road toilets and kiosk (including lease review)** One toilet still not functioning with Harmers to try and find the required part. Lease falls due for review in March 2020. Discussion held regarding approach to deal with renewal. RFO instructed to establish contact with the tenant and discuss possible renewal terms for consideration by committee.
8. **Sir John Moore Library** nothing new to report
9. **Additional planting Battery Point** Subject to acquisition of the site further planting will be undertaken. Harmers have been requested to quote
10. **2019-20 budget** – the RFO presented the usual reports on payments made, bank reconciliation statement and budget monitor. A full report will be made in December with proposed budgets for the coming year. The Chairman asked a question about the Council Tax on the Toilets RFO to ask Kent Association Local Councils (KALC) for an update. RFO was asked to provide contact renewal dates for Harmers and Oportunitas
11. **Two year investment options**
The RFO circulated a summary of the PWLB loan interest & capital repayments. A request was made to change the format to make it easier to follow
RFO to continue to seek further possible FSCS protected accounts rather than relying on FHDC option previously agreed.
12. **Refurbishment of village signs** – RFO to chase Harmers for quote following site visit last month.
13. **Correspondence** – there was none.
14. **Information**
 - F&HDC have confirmed by email today that they will be installing some devices to the sea wall gaps to prevent shingle coming through in storms. These works will be undertaken once the current beach works are completed.
 - Discussion held regarding the closure of an account opened some years ago by a group outside of the PC. There is approximately £200 that will be contributed for use by the Parish and mention was made of the Community Garden scheme. RFO to submit report to full council next week
 - Discussions held regarding the possibility of a ramp into the Granville Parade Car Park. Noted this will be discussed at full council next week.
 - Discussions held regarding a Wellbeing bench for the parish.
 - Councillor Watts mentioned a recent Remembrance Day event held at Sandgate Primary School. Discussion was held about possibly providing some support or a small prize for such events. It had been suggested that contact be made with the Parish Clerk
15. **Date of next meeting** – Tuesday 3 December 2019 at 6pm

The meeting ended at 7.22 pm.

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Signed by the Chairman, Resources Committee

Date.....

PWLB Statement

DATE	DEBT £	REDUCTION IN DEBT £	INTEREST PAID £	INTEREST RECEIVED £	NET COST OF INTEREST £	OTHER £	COMMENT
12/08/2018	500,000						
12/08/2018						175	Payment to PWLB for loan arrangement
11/09/2018				61.53			HSBC ACCOUNT
11/10/2018				115.98			HSBC ACCOUNT
11/11/2018				119.97			HSBC ACCOUNT
11/12/2018				116.03			HSBC ACCOUNT
11/1/2019				120.02			HSBC ACCOUNT
11/2/2019				120.05			HSBC ACCOUNT
11/2/2019	497665.12	2334.88	6950		6416.47		
11/3/2019				108.17			HSBC ACCOUNT
11/4/2019				120.1			HSBC ACCOUNT
11/5/2019				116.16			HSBC ACCOUNT
11/6/2019				114.85			HSBC ACCOUNT
11/7/2019				112.33			HSBC ACCOUNT
11/8/2019	495,297.80	2367.33	6917.55		6225.89		
2/9/2019				1.51			Bucks building society
11/9/2019				83.54			HSBC ACCOUNT
1/10/2019				48.37			Bucks building society
1/10/2019				41.92			Nationwide
11/10/2019				50.58			HSBC ACCOUNT
1/11/2019				79.41			Bucks building society
1/11/2019				86.63			Nationwide
1/11/2019				141.36			Hampshire Trust*
11/11/2019				42.67			HSBC ACCOUNT
RUNNING TOTAL	495,297.80	4,702.20	13,867.55	1,801.18	12,066.37		

* Interest on this account is paid annually at the rate of £1,696.35 per annum but is shown above monthly for illustrative purposes