

MINUTES

Charing Parish Council Meeting
 Tuesday 11th October 2022
 at 7.30pm. Top Room Charing Parish Hall.

Dawne Austen
 Parish Clerk

1.	Apologies for absence. Cllr C Prinn & L Kerby
2.	In attendance vice chairs C Bain-Smith; S Easun; D Bennett; Cllrs J Strike; T Hayward; S Woodbridge; C Allen ;the clerk aand RFO. Cllr Bennett chaired the meeting.
3.	To receive any declarations of interest from Members. Members are invited to declare disclosable pecuniary interests and other interests in items on the agenda as required by Charing Parish Council Code of Conduct for Members and by the localism Act 2011. Items 8.3 & 8.4 re cllrs Gudge & Allen
4.	Public Participation Session This provides an opportunity for members of the public to raise questions about and comment on items on the agenda. Time for this session is limited to 10 minutes (divided by the number of participants) no members of the public present
6.	Minutes of previous meeting: These were agreed and signed
7.	Matters Arising:
7.1	Charing Cemetery : No residents or existing staff had come forward re the position of locking the gates.
7.2	Public Toilets: The new locking system was in place but the toilets would be stayig closed u ntil the over ride system has been installed.
7.3	Update on KALC meeting:Cllr Bennett attended the meeting and informed councillors . G& T sites would not be reloked at until Stodmarsh is rectified.Other items were also discussed.
7.4	Basket ball hoop :The playing field committee have asked if they install a basket ball hoop and surfacing if we would continue with the maintenance . It was agreed at this time we cannot take on any further areas.
7.5	To pass a resolution to sign up to the civility and respect pledge. The council signed up to the pledge .
8	Finance
8.1	The following accounts were approved:

11/10/2022	Payee Name	Details	Amount Paid
		Nat West Bank	
DD	Ashford Borough Council	Rates Cemetery Oct	67.00
DD	Sage	Payroll Oct	£8.40
DD	Peninsula	Staff legal October	£114.59
DD	HP Ink	September	
DD	Sky	DA Oct	£6.00

DD	SSE	Period April-Aug Toilets	£119.88
DD	Nat West Bank	Bank charges July-Sept	£10.78
DD	Business Stream	Water Public Toilets (June-Sept)	£171.26
DD	Initial	Contract 90236635 11/10-10/11	£55.23
Card	BT	DA Telephone	£208.92
		Total	£762.06
		Unity Trust Bank	
994682865	Countrywide	Grass cutting Oct	£1,197.00
923553527	N Beal	Bins Aug	£108.30
597701320	KALC	Dynamic Councillor SW	£60.00
Missed	Viking	Ink for Councillor	£38.39
656545846	PHS	Toilet and Hall Supplies	£100.03
453594056	CJA Consulting (UK)Ltd	Computer support	£60.00
664507991	Viking	Office Supplies	£293.50
365870943	MC Testing services	Public Toilets new door switch	£55.00
405670595	Kalc	Finance Conference DA-JM	£144.00
280583344	Viking	Office Supplies	£75.53
		Total	£2,131.75
Sept	Payee/NIC Unity Bank	Bank Transfer Unity Bank	£1,547.57
Sept	Nest Pension Card	Sept	£279.60
Sept	Bank Transfer Unity Bank	Sept	£4,794.68
		Total Staff Costs	£6,621.85
	Income	Nat West Bank	
	HMRC VAT refund	August refund	£716.63
	Nat West	Hall Hire	
		Bank Interest	£126.48
		Precept	£81,570.00
		Cemetery	£1,360.00
		Total Income	£83,773.11

8.	Planning:
8.1	PA/2022/2358 Northdown Service Station, Maidstone Road, Charing: Demolition of existing service station building (Sui Generis) and erection of a new retail unit building (Class E) with associated works (recommend support)(6 for 3 against)Support was recommended as long as adequate parking is put in place as per KCC Highways report.
8.2	PA/2022/2361 Forge Cottage 89 High Street Charing: Erection of two storey rear extension,

	erection of music room outbuilding, erection of garden wall (recommend support)(unanimous)
8.3	PA/2022/2251 1 Broadway Slip, Pluckley Road Charing: Conversion of the existing car port , provision of a new car port and replacement of an existing roof light with velux window. (recommend support)(unanimous)
8.4	PA/2022/2438 Newlands House, Newlands Road, Charing: Demolition of existing dwelling , garage,and outbuilding and construction of new detached replacement dwelling (recommend support)(unanimous)
9.	Correspondence:
9.1	Re Landchain re Pluckley Road : A meeting has been requested by Landchain regarding land off Pluckley Road.
10.	Information:
10.1	Correspondence has been sent to Cllr Clarkson and Simon Cole at ABC regarding issuing a repairs notice for The Oak .
10.2	The clerk informed the council that she had attended a Highways seminar and would forward the documentation on when received. The clerk will also be attending the planning portal training.
10.3	Cllr Eason had attended the open meet with the PCSOs Charing does not have a PCSO at present. It was asked if when cover is available that they foot patrol the village.
	There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.45 pm