

Members of the Badgers Mount Parish Council are summoned to a Council Meeting to be held on **Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2024** in Badgers Mount Memorial Hall at **7.00 pm**.

Attended by: Cllr Grint, Cllr Plumb, Cllr Lake & the Clerk

### **Meeting Started: 19:00**

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Cllr McCartney & Cllr Dunlop
2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes of the of the Parish Council Meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> March, 2024 approved.
3. DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS: To receive any disclosure by members of personal interests in matters on the agenda, the nature of any interests, and whether the member regards the interest to be prejudicial under the terms of the Code of Conduct : None
4. PUBLIC SESSION: Including items emailed to the Clerk in advance of the meeting (up to 15 minutes)
5. DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT: There is a lot of Discussions & debate happening at SDC on the Land East of the High Street in Sevenoaks Town regarding development of property in partnership with the Leisure Centre. SDC is also preparing to get ready for the elections.
6. FINANCE AND STAFFING
  - 6.1. Approve Accounts for Payments: approved
  - 6.2. Approval for end of May 2024 Bank Reconciliation: Matched & approved
  - 6.3. Present Internal Auditor Report for 2023/24 – Internal Auditor report shared, and comments noted
  - 6.4. Approve & sign Annual Governance Statement (Section 1) 2023/24: approved & signed by the Chairman (already signed by the RFO previously)
  - 6.5. Approve Accounting Statements (Section 2) 2023/24: Approved & signed by the RFO & Chairman
  - 6.6. Agree notification of period for the exercise of public rights: Agreed. Notification to start June 10<sup>th</sup> 2024
  - 6.7. Renewal of Annual Insurance: Council agreed to continue with the Insurance Agents
7. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: None
8. CLERKS REPORTS
  - 8.1. Annual Parish Meeting April 18 review & plan of action: Great attendance, residents were positive about the presentation on the Padel club proposal with some concerns on extra traffic. Residents appreciated the attendance of the Police PCO. Residents' participation was appreciated by the Council
  - 8.2. Badgers Mount Survey – The Council decided that campaigning would continue to obtain a statistically valid response rate
  - 8.3. Review of changes made to the BMPC website: To be discussed in the next meeting
  - 8.4. Request from BMRA to formulate a process for combined organisation response to unwell residents: while the Council appreciates the sentiments behind the gesture, it would be difficult to commit to this
9. AMENITIES/PROJECTS
  - 9.1. Kent Highways HIP 2024/25 – Meeting has to be organised with Kent Highways to discuss the HIP
  - 9.2. Discuss handover of security audit & negotiated package by local private companies to the relevant group of residents. Discuss logistics in next meeting
  - 9.3. Discuss footpaths in the Parish: Move to next meeting
10. PLANNING
  - 10.1. Little Gables Milton Avenue Badgers Mount Kent TN14 7AU - Demolition of existing lean-to side extension, new floor to existing bungalow with feature bays, entrance canopy to front and new pitched roof over existing garage, internal alterations, alterations to fenestration and repositioning of side door. Deadline 8<sup>th</sup> June – Parish Council feels that there would be a significant increase in the new structure and may cause inconvenience to neighbouring properties. The Council is not against modernising however would be concerned about the impact on the neighbourhood.

10.2. Polhill Garden Centre London Road Badgers Mount Halstead Kent TN14 7AD. Continued use of two storage containers and an open sided canopy for use as a home delivery service ancillary to the garden centre with associated landscaping, tree and ecological works. Amendment to application after further information as requested by KCC Ecology. Deadline 18<sup>th</sup> June. : No further comments. The previous response to this still stands.

**Meeting finished: 20:50**