

<p>active in supported the suggested views.</p> <p>A discussion ensued with regard to Chequer Tree Paddock and it was agreed that Cllr Fletcher would draft a letter to Planning Enforcement to be sent on by the Clerk, noting that the enforcement notice is due for abolition on 28th March 2018 and asking what the intentions of the planning enforcement team are at that time with regard to this site.</p> <p>The proposed budget will be increased by 5% for KCC.</p> <p>The traffic lights on the A2070 are not working, the Clerk is to contact Crest Nicholson with regard to this. There have also been issues with regard to icy roads and speeding on Finberry. Cllr Bartlett suggested that Cllr Oakley-Hills uses the Finberry Facebook page to engage with residents and potentially place copies of pdf documents sent regarding the issues on the Facebook page so that the residents can see that the Parish Council is actively engaging regarding these issues.</p> <p>The works on Junction 10A are due to commence on 22nd March, contact details are required for who to contact should there be a problem.</p> <p>The A350 is now open.</p> <p>The container on the green in Mersham will be removed once the kitchen refurbishment is complete and the green will be made good again.</p> <p><i>Bower Farm – the enforcement notice has been served and takes effect from 23rd January 2018. The enforcement notice states that they are to:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>i. Cease permanently the use of the land for the manufacture and production of cement and concrete. Time for compliance – One month after this notice takes effect.</i> <i>ii. Cease permanently the use of the land for the storage of ballast, sand and cement. Time for compliance – One month after this notice takes effect.</i> <i>iii. Cease permanently the use of the land for the stationing and operation of a batching plant Time for compliance – One month after this notice takes effect.</i> <i>iv. Cease permanently the use of the land for the storage of other plant and equipment associated with the unlawful uses of the land as described in steps i to iii above. Time for compliance – One month after this notice takes effect.</i> <i>v. Remove permanently from the land all plant, machinery, equipment, vehicles and materials (including sand, gravel, ballast and cement etc.) associated with the unlawful uses of the land as described in i to iv above. Time for compliance – Two months after this notice takes effect.</i> 	<p>GF TB</p> <p>TB JO-H</p>
<p>Report from Community Warden</p> <p>The Community Warden reported that both Christmas and the New Year had been quiet. A car had been broken in to in Quarrington Lane and a handbag contents stolen. Graham also reported that he has resigned from the post of Community Warden and will not be working at the end of the month. He was thanked for all of his efforts and as yet there is no replacement for Graham. All communication should be forwarded to david.harmes@kent.gov.uk, this is Graham’s Team leader. PC to send note of thanks and request for information on replacement</p>	<p>PT</p>
<p>Planning Matters:</p> <p>A list of Planning Applications was circulated as Appendix A with the agenda, those requiring a response were:</p> <p>16/01667/AS Unit 3, Hall Avenue, Orbital Park, Sevington, Ashford, TN24 0AA Discharge of conditions: 2, 4, 7, 8, 9 & 13 The Parish Council raised no objections</p> <p>17/01735/AS</p>	

<p>Bower Farm, Bower Road, Mersham, Ashford, Kent, TN25 6NW Demolition of existng redundant agricultural buildings and erection of 3 detached 2 storey dwellings together with associated infrastructure The Parish Council comments have been submitted</p> <p>16/00427/AS Phase 1, Waterbrook Park, Waterbrook Avenue, Sevington, Kent Discharge of conditions: 3, 6, 11, 12, 14, 15, 17, 21, 23 & 24. Part discharge of condition 11 The Parish Council raised no objections</p> <p>17/01285/AS Unit 6, Hall Avenue, Orbital Park, Sevington, Ashford, TN24 0AA Installation of a mezzanine floor (64sqm) to unit 6 for storage use (retrospective) The Parish Council raised no objections</p> <p>17/01825/AS Babbacombe, Church Road, Mersham, Ashford, Kent, TN25 6NS Erection of a two storey extension to the rear and to the side replacing existing garage and cloakroom. The Parish Council raised no objections</p> <p>18/00005/AS Land between The Glenmore Centre and Tyreweb, Crowbridge Road, Willesborough, Kent Outline application for development of up to 1400 sq metres of B1/B2 commercial floor space in small units of accommodation to consider access The Parish Council raised no objections</p> <p>16/01667/AS Tavis Business Centre, 3 Hall Avenue, Orbital Park, Sevington Discharge of conditions 16 & 17 The Parish Council raised no objections</p> <p>17/00442/AS Land rear of Sky House and Appledown, Bower Road, Mersham, Ashford, Kent Discharge of conditions 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 11 & 12 The Parish Council raised no objections</p>	
<p>To consider funding for the Mersham Sports Club Expansion The additional land wanted by the Sports Club has now been offered. Cllr Turley suggested that, as a memorial to Countess Mountbatten the extended playing fields and Pavillion could be suitably named and the Parish Council could contribute to the pavilion. The Parish Council was asked if they would support investing into this? In principal, the Parish Councillors present were all happy to invest in this but would need to see the governance of how and when the investment will be spent.</p> <p>It was agreed that a material contribution would be made to the Sports Club and a sum of money will be invested into Sevington.</p> <p>Cllrs Flether and Turley will make contact with Michael-John to see what the family's feelings would be regarding the memorial.</p>	GF/PT
<p>To consider ways of engaging with Finberry As both Cllrs Oakley-Hills and Whitehead were not at the meeting it was agreed that this item would be carried over to the next meeting.</p>	
<p>To discuss a Salt bin at Church Road/Milbourn</p>	

<p>It was agreed that the salt bin that was stolen should be replaced. The Clerk will contact Clair Bell regarding funding this.</p>	TB																																								
<p>Financial Matters To approve the following financial documents: To note/authorise the following:</p> <p>To note the Parish Council's financial position: The Parish Council has a bank balance of: £35,944.46 To authorise any payments including the Clerk's Salary and the Litter picker's Salary</p> <p>The following payments were authorised:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="92 510 1225 835"> <thead> <tr> <th>Cheque</th> <th>Payee's Name</th> <th>Reason for Payment</th> <th>Amount</th> <th>Notes</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>501829</td> <td>B Ball Contractors</td> <td>Installing the bench</td> <td>£ 72.00</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>501830</td> <td>P Turley</td> <td>Cable and Lights for Christmas Tree</td> <td>£ 242.76</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>501831</td> <td>P Turley</td> <td>Circuit Breaker for Christmas Lights</td> <td>£ 28.88</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>501832</td> <td>I King</td> <td>Litter Pickers Salary – January (Mersham)</td> <td>£ 93.60</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>501833</td> <td>T Saint</td> <td>Litter Pickers Salary – January (Sevington)</td> <td>£ 116.13</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>501834</td> <td>T Block</td> <td>Clerks Salary (January)</td> <td>£ 401.72</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>501835</td> <td>HMRC</td> <td>PAYE</td> <td>£ 32.60</td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>A budget over expenditure and financial statement had been circulated to all Councillors prior to the meeting.</p> <p>There was a discussion with regards to The Villager and now that it is back in circulation, is it financially viable. It was agreed that if help is required, the Parish Council will respond as necessary.</p>	Cheque	Payee's Name	Reason for Payment	Amount	Notes	501829	B Ball Contractors	Installing the bench	£ 72.00		501830	P Turley	Cable and Lights for Christmas Tree	£ 242.76		501831	P Turley	Circuit Breaker for Christmas Lights	£ 28.88		501832	I King	Litter Pickers Salary – January (Mersham)	£ 93.60		501833	T Saint	Litter Pickers Salary – January (Sevington)	£ 116.13		501834	T Block	Clerks Salary (January)	£ 401.72		501835	HMRC	PAYE	£ 32.60		
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<p>Any Other Business</p> <p>Cllr Murphy explained that there had been a moment where neighbours of his in Rectory Close had nearly seen the privet hedge that shields their house from the bright reflection of the slide, cut back by Paul, the Caretaker. Cllr Murphy had, fortunately, intercepted the situation and the concerns averted but it was noted that the Caretaker might be best advised to consult if cutting back anything that is bounding on to residential properties. In particular, Paul should contact Cllr Murphy if planning to cut back anything bounding properties in Rectory Close.</p> <p>Tom Saint, Sevington Litter-picker, has agreed to undertake the requested over-time by clearing around Sevington Church, this payment was approved for 3-5 hours.</p> <p>The problem in Sevington North regarding Noise pollution was noted. The Clerk is hoping a resolution to these issues can be sought.</p> <p>The Clerk requires a laptop as part of the new General Data Protection Regulations, the Clerk will apply for a grant through the Transparency Fund for this.</p> <p>The Clerk had circulated the idea of having a defibrillator in the phone box at The Frith. This site is to be viewed by Cllr Murphy to decide whether this is a suitable position or not.</p> <p>The ice on the road issues in Finberry were discussed. Crest had reported no intention of gritting or providing Salt bins. It was agreed that, as there will be a bus route going in to Finberry, the main roads will be gritted but side roads will be similar to those in other housing estates.</p>	TB GM																																								
<p>The next meeting was confirmed as Monday, 19th February 2018, the Clerk would like any items for the agenda by Friday 9th February, please.</p>	All																																								
<p>There being no further business, the meeting was declared closed at 8.45 PM.</p>																																									

