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**MINUTES OF ST MARY IN THE MARSH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON THURSDAY 6th JULY, 2017 AT THE VILLAGE HALL,
JEFFERSTONE LANE, ST MARYS BAY at 7pm**

PRESENT: Cllr. G. Allison **Chairman**
 Cllr. D. Evans
 Cllr. P. Millen
 Cllr. M. Wilson
 Clerk to the Parish Council

APOLOGIES:

Cllr. Sinden – poorly
Cllr. R. Tillson - away

MINUTES:

Proposed by Cllr. Evans, seconded by Cllr. Millen, that the Minutes of the meeting held on 1st June, 2017, be approved. All agreed.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST:

Cllr. Allison declared personal interest in items referring to the Village Hall.

CONSIDER ANY MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES WHICH ARE NOT COVERED ELSEWHERE ON THE AGENDA:

Clerk informed Nat West Bank had still not responded to enquiries regarding a mobile service at Hythe, despite several reminders being sent. However, staff at the mobile unit in New Romney, informed it is the only mobile unit in the county and it has not been advised to schedule a visit to Hythe. The Hythe branch has now closed and there is no ATM.

ST. MARY IN THE MARSH PROJECT:

Cllr. Sinden not present to give an update.

CORRESPONDENCE:

KALC:

The chief executive requested all clerks to forward a bulletin regarding topical discussions, which has duly been forwarded to all councillors.

Kent Highways:

Boltophs Bridge Road, Hythe will be closed on 3rd July for up to 5 days to enable carriageway patching to be carried out.

NHS Commissioning Support Unit:

Will host a listening event about the future of the NHS and social care at the Marsh Academy Community Hub, on 11 July at 1.30-4.30pm. Cllr. Evans will attend.

Southern Water:

Following contact with Southern Water regarding increased tankering activities in Jefferstone Lane, a response has been received. Clerk read the response. Southern Water is working on a solution to the situation.

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PLANNING APPLICATIONS:

Y17/0043/NMC Non material change to allow the addition of a pool at plot 55.
Romney Marsh Approved by SDC
Potato Co.

Y17/0442/SH Workshop at rear
33 Dymchurch Rd. Approved by SDC

Y17/0014/PA Change of use from agricultural building to dwelling house.
Hope Farm Prior approval refused.
Ashford Rd.

Y17/0730/SH Erection of roof extensions to dormer windows
19 Dymchurch Rd. Proposed by Cllr. Wilson, seconded by Cllr. Evans, that
No objection be raised.
Voting: Unanimous.

Y16/1305/SH Alterations to plans already submitted.
33 Seaway Road Proposed by Cllr. Evans, seconded by Cllr. Wilson, that
No objection be raised.
Voting: Unanimous.

Y17/0305/SH Erection of 5 sheds
Remains of Amended/additional plans
All Saints Proposed by Cllr. Wilson, seconded by Cllr. Millen, that
No Objection be raised.
Voting: For:3 Against: 0 Abstentions:0 Interest declared:1 DE

Y17/0674/SH 109 Dwellings
Land. Opp. Dorland Proposed by Cllr. Evans, seconded by Cllr. Wilson, that
Cockreed Lane No objection be raised.
Voting: Unanimous

Sinclair Dalby Ltd.

A letter has been received requesting the parish council's view on a proposal by Telefonica to site a radio base station installation at Jefferstone Lane. The purpose of the contact is to consult with council to seek its views on a proposal before a planning submission is made. Proposed by Cllr. Wilson, seconded by Cllr. Evans, that council objects to the proposal.
Voting: Unanimous.

MATTERS RELATING TO PLAYING FIELD, JEFFERSTONE LANE AND GLEBE LAND:

Malcolm Wood has renovated, rubbed down and stained two seats at the recreation ground. Dave Burgess has commented to the clerk that residents keep the recreation ground very clean and is almost free of doggie fouling. Chairman informed that Mark Coleman has removed shrubbery around the bus shelter, but the litter bin as not been removed as yet.

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MATTERS RELATING TO SLIPWAY, SEAWALL AND FORESHORE:

Clerk has spoken to EA and they are aware of shingle on the seawall. The seawall has been cleared this season, but strong tides are moving the shingle on to the sea wall.

FINANCE:

Annual Audit:

The annual audit has been completed by Metcalfe and Sharp and is ready for signature. The audit will then be forwarded to the Government's chosen auditor PFK Littlejohn for verification.

Proposed by Cllr. Millen, seconded by Cllr. Evans, that the annual governance statement be approved.

Voting: Unanimous.

Proposed by Cllr. Wilson, seconded by Cllr. Evans, that the annual audit be accepted and signed accordingly.

Voting: Unanimous.

Proposed by Cllr. Evans, seconded by Cllr. Millen, that the accounts for payment be accepted. Agreed.

Salaries:	815.31
HMR&C	738.67
Commercial Services	52.32
Metacfe and Sharp	453.00
M. Wood	375.00
Computer Lady	1061.07
EA	840.00
Nat. West	11.68

Current Account balance: £ 15,355.13

Business Account balance: £ 14,758.64

SPECIAL PROJECTS:

Neighbourhood Plan:

Piran Cooper has informed the plan is to be presented to corporate management team, prior to being submitted to cabinet.

Twinning:

Chairman and Cllr. Millen will be attending Europa Day at St. Andre.

MARSH FORUM:

Notification has been received that a special meeting on 7th September has been arranged for the Chairman of the NHS South Kent Coast Clinical Commissioning Group to discuss health care issues on Romney Marsh.

Clerk read a letter sent to Lydd Town Clerk, following last meeting's decision regarding the draft constitution.

SDC BUS SHELTERS:

Cllr. Evans raised maintenance issues are needed to some bus shelters and they could do with regular cleaning. Both clerk and Cllr. Evans to make contact with SDC to report accordingly.

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ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

Cllr. Wilson informed more branches need cutting back outside 15-29 Elm Road.

Cllr. Evans informed there have been a number of break-ins in the area.

Chairman raised concern about the bends in Jefferstone Lane following another recent accident. It was agreed that KCC be notified and a request be made for appropriate signage.

Chairman also informed he attended an Otterpool Park presentation at New Romney.

In Cllr. Tillson's absence, clerk tabled a report from Cllr. Tillson on his recent attendance at a consultation meeting on Otterpool Park, at the Leas Cliff Hall.

Clerk will be on annual leave next week.

Meeting closed at 8.pm

Signed..... Date.....