

PLUCKLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 4th November 2025 at 7.30 pm in Pluckley Village Hall

Present : Cllrs Washer (in the Chair), Dilley, Robinson, Pearson & Malpeli

In attendance : Mr. G Eaton Clerk to the Council, and KCC Cllr Eustace

Action by:

1 Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from ABC Cllr Bell and Peter New Neighbourhood Watch

2 Declarations of Cllrs interests in items on the Agenda

There were no declarations of Cllrs interests in items on the Agenda

3 Minutes of the last Meeting & Matters arising

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 7th October 2025 were approved and signed

4 Public discussion and Parishioners questions

There were no members of the public present

5 ABC Cllr Bell's report & Neighbourhood Watch report

KCC Cllr Eustace gave an interesting and informative report covering his first few weeks as Ward Cllr. Jeremy updated on latest issues including Local Government Reorganisation, Reforms comments on the ABC Local Plan, and the Chilmington Green development

There were no reports from ABC Cllr Bell or Peter New Neighbourhood Watch

6 Planning & Enforcement

2025/1956 – proposed single storey Orangery with roof light to the western façade of the property

Saracens Cottage, Surrenden Road, TN27 0SA

There were no comments on this application

2025/1981 – listed building consent for single storey Orangery with roof light to the western façade of the property

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There were no comments on this application

7 Finance Matters

The following account was approved for payment -

£

HMRC, Clerks tax July – Oct 2025 plus employers NI for year to date

1014.65

The Clerk's salary/expenses of £565.80, paid by monthly Standing Order, was noted and approved

The finance report for the period 1st April – 30th September 2025, circulated by email, was noted and approved

8 Communications and correspondence

Email from ABC re Community Governance Review for creation of a new Town Council for Ashford

9 Traffic & Highways

There was nil of note to report

10 Recreation Sport & Leisure

There was a general discussion regarding the lease for the football pitches and pavilion. Cllr Dilley to circulate a draft lease for review. It was noted that the lease would open funding opportunities which could cover new fencing and repairs

Cllr Dilley

There was a discussion about the demolition of the old pavilion and whether or not to remove the base. It was agreed to defer to a future Meeting for further discussion and to agree a way forward

It was noted that the problem of dog fouling on the MUGA continued to be a problem. It was agreed that news signs be installed reminding people to clear up after their dog

Cllr Dilley

11 AOB and Diary items

It was confirmed that 'Carols around the Tree' would take place on Friday 5th December 2025, and that the band had been booked. Cllr Pearson kindly offered to purchase the tree

Cllr Pearson

Cllr Washer reported that he had spoken to the School and they had no objection to the new noticeboard being installed there. A quote for the installation of the sign was awaited

12 Date of next Meeting

It was agreed that the next Meeting would be held on Tuesday 2nd December 2025 at 7.30 pm at Pluckley Village Hall

There being no other business the Meeting closed at 9.00 pm