

Minutes of the Barham Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 01 July 2021 in Barham Village Hall at 7.30pm.

Present:

Parish Councillors: David Wood (Chairman), Diane Tatt (Vice Chairman), Ernie Mullett, John Brooks, Andreas Tatt, Stuart Eccles, Gary Graham and Carolyn Hunt.

Clerk to the Council, Joanne Pannell.

Temporary assistant Amanda Sparkes.

KCC and CCC Councillor, Cllr Mike Sole (for part of the meeting)

No members of the public.

1. The Chairman's opening remarks and apologies for absence

Cllr Wood welcomed everyone to the meeting, the first face to face meeting for many months, and offered congratulations to Cllr Mike Sole elected as the Kent County Councillor for the ward in the May elections. There were no apologies for absence.

2. Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Resignation of Liz Minter

NOTED the resignation of Liz Minter on 21 May 2021 and that the Notice of Vacancy was posted on 04 June 2021. No election has been called for and the parish council may co-opt. Notices advising the co-option opportunity have been placed on the noticeboards.

4. Minutes of the last meeting

Minutes of the last full parish council "virtual" meeting held on 06 May 2021 were approved and the Chairman duly signed them at the meeting.

5. Minutes of the Annual Electors' meeting held on 05 May 2021

RECEIVED the Minutes of the virtual Annual Electors' Meeting held on 05 May 2021 which include the Chairman's annual report (and NOTED that these get approved at the 2022 Annual Electors' Meeting)

6. Adjournment of the meeting

As there were no members of the public present there was no adjournment.
The meeting continued.

7. KCC and CCC Cllr Mike Sole's report – July 2021

Parish tours – My walks around the parishes with parish councillors and clerks have continued in June and hopefully by the end of July I will have completed these. I have also attended some parish council meeting in person.

Committee places – I can now confirm that I will be serving on the Growth, Economic Development and Communities Cabinet Committee, Kent Flood Risk Management Committee and the Commissioning Advisory Board. Having taken an interest in flooding matters I have also been put forward to fill the vacant Canterbury City Council position on the River Stour Internal Drainage Board – I shall know later this month if this is approved.

Little Stour and Nailbourne River Management Group – I had a very pleasant and informative meeting with some members of the committee and I look forward to working with them in order to address local flooding issues. Flooding can come from all sorts of places though and when Bishopsbourne experienced issues in June due to heavy rain and water flowing from fields, I was able to help get this resolved.

KALC – I was very pleased to be invited to speak to members of Canterbury KALC last month.

Tonford Lane Bridge – Campaigners for a new bridge across The Stour met with me to discuss their plans for a new accessible bridge that will open up the Hambrook Marshes and cycle/footpath to more people.

Covid Recovery Grant – I have sent details to all parishes about the grant fund of £6,000 that I can access for local projects. I have already had several enquiries about this, and some applications have

been made, so please do let me know if you are aware of organisations that would benefit from this funding.

Footpaths – Many public footpaths have become very overgrown recently. KCC are behind on their programme for cutting these back. Any specific issues can be reported here:

<https://www.kent.gov.uk/environment-waste-andplanning/public-rights-of-way/report-a-problem-on-a-right-of-way>

City Council issues: Bins - There are still quite a few persistent issues with bin collections that I am following up. There have been teething issues with the new technology in the trucks and also the online reporting system is still far from perfect. It really should be much better after nearly six months on Canenco.

Offices – The City Council are now considering moving offices into vacant space in Whitefriars that they own. I will be pushing for the existing offices and carparks to be developed into social housing.

8. Unregistered footpaths adjacent to The Grove and Brickfield Road

Cllr Wood changed the order of the agenda to allow item No 16 and some other agenda items to be discussed while Cllr Sole was present.

NOTED that notices were installed on 04 June 2021 on two unregistered footpaths adjacent to The Grove and Brickfield Road. A resident expressed concerns about these as he alleged that there has been 20 plus years 'unimpeded use' up to this point. Cllr Mullett explained that the landowner is prepared to meet some parish councillors to discuss this. Cllr Sole offered to attend if available. Cllr Mullett agreed to lead with setting up a suitable meeting time.

Proposal for cycle path improvements between Kingston and Barham

Cllr Sole confirmed that he is supportive of this project subject to costs. Cllr Wood confirmed that he has spoken to the Chairman of Kingston and the owners of the first field in Kingston are willing for the path to be moved.

Possible 20mph speed limits

The parish council is exploring applying for the implementation of new 20mph speed limits on Valley Road from The Shrubbery through to the top of Derrington Hill; The Street – From Valley Road to the entrance of Simpsons Wine Estate; Greenhills – A small section from Valley Road side of the old railway bridge to Valley Road (next to Barham primary School); Gravel Castle Road; Brickfield Lane; Rabbit Hole; and the whole stretch of Out Elmstead Lane. The Clerk is waiting to meet and discuss the Highways Improvement Template with the KCC Highways Steward and agreed to keep Cllr Sole updated.

Cllr Wood cautioned that the parish council would have to meet most of the costs for surveys, a TRO and subsequent signage if approved. Individual roads could be considered rather than the collective nominations.

Cllr Wood explained that he has asked the Clerk to raise the desire for more bollards on Valley Road again, and the head of highways advised that at one time there had been three verge marking plastic posts and this may be an alternative.

9. Capital grant to CCC

An application has been made for a replacement village sign on the village green. Project totals £1,437 with an 'own match-funding contribution' of £733 and a grant sought of £704. CCC's Community Committee will receive a report at their meeting of 08 July 2021 to make decisions. Cllr Sole explained that the report gives a recommendation to grant this application.

10. Correspondence

An email was received from a resident about perceived lack of parish council communications. Cllr Wood explained that the village survey of 2016 resulted in 3 Actions Plan, and an executive summary – all of which are available on the parish council's website along with the original survey. Full Minutes are also on the website and extracts are published in the magazine.

Information is also posted in the village noticeboards.

Any resident may contact the Clerk for more information or to suggest a project.

The Clerk will reply to the resident.

11. Use of S101 delegation to the Clerk since the last meeting:

- i. Cllr Wood and Cllr Mullett endorsed by phone on the day of zip wire installation that an independent post-installation inspection should be carried out – and that the fencing should be left in situ until this is completed – both the inspection and a return by the contractor to remove the fencing necessitated costs tbc under £500.
- ii. Cllrs resolved to accept a contractor quote to rub down and repaint the A-Frame on the swings at the old Valley Road play area and the parallel bars at Brickfield recreation ground. The Clerk advised that the paint is being delivered to the contractor next week.

12. Financial matters

- o The cheque payments since the last meeting were noted.

Other financial matters

- o RECEIVED the bank statements and bank reconciliation for April and May and NOTED that Cllr Graham retained to take away and check them.
- o NOTED a payment of £35 to be taken by direct debit on 11 June 2021 for the annual fee to the Information Commissioner's Office.
- o Cllr D. Tatt proposed, Cllr Hunt seconded and all councillors were happy to RESOLVE to set up a direct debit for the EDF energy account for the village green supply bill, as per the direct debit set up for the unmetered streetlighting account with EDF energy.
- o NOTED that on 17 May 2021 the Clerk added the new Zipwire/30m Steel Cableway to the parish council's insurance schedule (it will add £36 to the premium at renewal from 01 September 2021) and added it to the Fixed Asset Register.
- o NOTED a payment of £2,791.04 taken by direct debit on 30 June 2021 for the six-monthly Public Work Loan instalment due.
- o NOTED an invoice for £52 was sent to the Tennis Club on 30 June 2021 for the year 01 June 2021 to 31 May 2022.
- o NOTED that the assistant clerk calculated a breakdown of the Zipwire installation costs and sent the CCC officer the information and a copy of the invoice as evidence of spend on 05 June 2021:
The original quotation was £9,821.80
The CCC capital grant application was for an own contribution of £5,009.12 (51% of total costs) and a grant from CCC of £4,812.68.
The actual CCC award was £3,852.87.
The actual cost gave a discount on the quotation and was £9,111.32 (excluding vat).
Barham Parish Council's own contribution to this project therefore was £5,258.45 (57.7% of total costs so within the criteria of the CCC grant.)

NOTED installation of the 30m Zip wire at Brickfield Recreation ground was completed on 25 May 2021 and a publicity opening was held on 16 June 2021, publicised on Facebook.

For the zipwire future maintenance/inspections the Clerk explained that she is waiting for Wicksteed to send a bar to enable councillors to adjust the tension of the cable. This will become an additional item on the Cllrs' inspection schedule. Wicksteed recommend three-monthly checks.

The seat is currently too low. Wicksteed Leisure would be able to make regular visits at a frequency to be decided by the parish council. This would be done by one of their engineers (not an inspector), who would re-tension the cable as necessary and check the tyre is in the correct position and at the right height. However, there would be no report produced and this would not take the place of an annual inspection.

Wicksteed would email the Clerk and advise if all was found to be ok at the engineer's visit or if he finds any problems, Wicksteed would tell the Clerk his findings.

The cost per visit would be £180.00 + VAT.

Councillors felt this was not necessary at this time. The ROSPA annual inspection is now booked for July and the Clerk will ask the company that she and Cllr Wood would like to be in attendance to ask the inspector questions and seek advice.

A new online banking bank account with Unity Trust Bank

For turnover under £100k p.a. account fees are £6.00 per month charged quarterly. (There would however have savings made on postage to offset this).

There is no additional payment to make a bank transfer/payment.

A cheque book and paying in book may be requested to give two options of making a payment.

The application process is all on-line.

Cllr Graham proposed, Cllr D. Tatt seconded and all councillors agreed that a new account should be opened with Unity Trust, with the same banking arrangements – where the Clerk is not a signatory and any two of the existing signatories would authorise online payments – and using the automatic Account Switch Service which will close the old account with NatWest, and move all funds and direct debits over automatically. And then when opened that further to Liz Minter's resignation that she be removed as a signatory on the parish council's bank mandate. Regardless of whether they are signatories or not, all parish councillors will need to be identified as linked individuals to the account on the application, and need to provide full name, date of birth, telephone number, and a 3 year address history information to the Clerk. It was agreed that all councillors would be signatories.

A copy of the last six months' bank statements; the precept/budget/forecast; a copy of the council's Standing Orders; recent minutes, and a covering letter on the parish council's headed notepaper is required to be submitted with the application.

Future Concurrent Function Funding:

CCC's Community Committee on 25 November 2020 resolved:

Parish councils to receive the same funding allocations for 2021/22 and 2022/23 as per 2020/21.

The £20,000 annual contingency fund (that has never been applied to) will be removed from 2021/22. (The £20k underspend will roll over and remain available until 31 March 2023.)

To undertake an audit of the current levels of provision in parishes compared to urban areas and subsequently consider the funding options for 2023/24.

There is now a report going to the CCC Policy Committee on 05 July 2021 proposing that CCC set up a working party of district councillors – but with no parish councillor inclusion. The Canterbury Area committee of KALC Chairman has written to CCC expressing displeasure at this. Cllr Wood explained that there needs to be a decision by September 2022 for parish councils to undertake their budget setting for 2023-2024.

Flint wall between the Churchyard and The Spinney

The Clerks undertook conveyancing documents requests on the HM Land Registry for the Church and Barham Court but unfortunately, they did not show boundary ownership. The Spinney was also requested although these were not obtainable/held.

Cllr Wood suggested that the next step be to look at The Spinney wall section only and get it surveyed as it is a Grade I listed wall. The Clerk will check for CCC's list of preferred contractors to seek quotes for this.

Update on an application to the BBC 1 "The Repair Shop" programme

Cllr Hunt is leading on an application to the BBC 1 "The Repair Shop" programme makers to suggest the old village sign be refurbished and then rehomed into a dry place in the village: An information report about the shield itself and its design has been circulated. Cllr Hunt explained that the application will go with pictures and photos by the end of next week.

13. **The Annual Governance & Accountability Return (AGAR Form Part 3)** for the financial year ended 31 March 2021 – NOTED that the Clerk submitted the AGAR and all other requested/required documents to PKF Littlejohn LLP on 16 May 2021. And TO NOTE that these were also uploaded to the parish council's website along with the Internal Auditor's report and arrangements for the exercise of public rights. The Notice has also been placed on the parish council's noticeboards and will run until 10 August 2020.
14. **Publicity & Communications including website**
Cllr A. Tatt advised that there was a post about hedges needing cutting but it is currently illegal during bird nesting season, which ends 01 September.
NOTED that the old Cantium Kentparishes website has now ceased.
15. **Highways**
The rubbish bin at Derringstone Downs layby has been overflowing frequently as it is being misused +with large sacks of domestic rubbish being put in it. The owner of the land is

threatening to ask for the bin to be removed and then they would fence off the layby resulting in its loss. Cllr Wood and Cllr Mullett have been going every day to check it and deal with the rubbish. The mis-use has now been reported as an enforcement case. Cllr A. Tatt will do a social media post about this.

16. Open Spaces

NOTED the Clerk replaced some bolt caps to replace those missing on some equipment at the Old Valley Road play area.

NOTED the annual play area inspections are booked for July 2021 for both play areas and the Chairman and Clerk will ask to be in attendance.

For the undertaking of the six-monthly Cllrs visual play area inspections, NOTED that Cllr Hunt and one other Cllr *tbc* will undertake this in September/October 2021.

Coronavirus risk assessments

NOTED updated the coronavirus risk assessment documents to log actions taken since April 2020 and created a Face to Face meetings risk assessment to resume meetings in person have been undertaken.

UKPN pole replacement at Brickfield Recreation Ground

The Clerk heard from the UKPN contractor advising that the pole should be replaced towards to end of April but then heard nothing further. The Clerk designate will be advised of the date for this work to be carried out so that the Football Club may be advised and also to ensure that there are no sheep grazing on the date. Either Cllr Wood or Cllr Mullett can unlock the padlock the gate to allow access to the field. There is no update.

Replacement of cradle swings seats

NOTED the order was placed and paid for in November 2020 for the replacement of the two swing cradle seats at the Old Valley Road play area but installation was again been rescheduled by the play company. The Clerk followed up with the company about this and was given a date but this was cancelled on the day. The Clerk will chase again and demand a refund if the installation is not carried out within 10 days.

Self-closing new gate in line of fencing at Brickfield Recreation ground

Budget provision post 01 April 2021 has been made for a new self-closing gate in the line of fencing at Brickfield recreation ground. The Clerk explained that this is now scheduled for mid-July due to a shortage of materials.

Residents' request to have a bouncy castle at a child's birthday party at Brickfield recreation ground

The Clerk has contacted the legal arm of the parish council's insurance company about this request who suggested that the parent may need to take out their own PLI. Barham Parish Council cannot contract out its liabilities with signage. The council resolved that it was happy to offer the parent to take out PLI at their expense and provide a copy to the Clerk and ensure that if this does proceed that the PLI is broad enough to cover any member of the public, not just those attending the party.

A community litter pick

It was agreed to arrange a community litter pick for September – CCC is now offering loan of equipment etc for a maximum of 30 people. Book at www.canterbury.gov.uk/litterpicks

17. Footpaths & Rights of Way

C/fwd: As reported to the February 2021 meeting:

The Elham Valley Walkers Group - The Elham Valley Walkers Group comprises of 7 members living in the valley. They organise an Annual Walking festival and monthly walks in the countryside stretching from Canterbury to Folkestone and encompassing the North Downs and areas of special interest.

The group is supported by the "Walkers are Welcome" organisation and the village of Elham is a member. They have links to local walking associations, Ramblers, North Downs Way and other

walking festivals in the south east. They have recently produced a "Village Map" of walks in and around Elham and this is displayed in a waterproof noticeboard in the village square with downloadable walks for use by the public free of charge. Downloadable at

<https://elhamvalleywalkers.co.uk/elham-walks/>

They are keen to encourage all the villages in the valley to support this initiative and to that end would be willing to create the walks and maps for display through the whole valley and wondered if this is of interest to Barham Parish Council.

There has been no further contact since April. The Chairman asked that this be removed from the agenda.

18. Village organisations

Barham Football Club

Cllr D. Tatt advised that the Chairman has resigned. He has asked to have his name removed from the Lease. A new Chairman is now in place.

Cllr D. Tatt also advised that the club has changed its name with effect from 01 June 2021 from Barham Youth Football Club to Barham Football Club.

An addendum and amendments to the Lease with new signatures to reflect the two above changes will be arranged.

Cllr D. Tatt also advised that the football club is going to get a defibrillator.

Tennis Club

The tennis club has cleaned and repainted their courts.

Water bill Barham Allotments Association

The water leak has impacted on the latest bill. It was agreed that the recharge to BAA therefore would be the average of the last three year's usage for the period only, namely £112.22.

19. Clerk report

Most items are incorporated elsewhere in these Minutes.

Old Minutes

Re the previous plan to deposit old Minutes to the KCC Archives Centre at Maidstone - NOTED that the KCC Archives has advised that their policy on deposits/collections is to only take materials that are 30 years old or older. The Clerk is holding Minutes from 2003. The Canterbury area committee of KALC has agreed to take this up with KALC/KCC.

Boundary Commission for England consultation on the 2023 Review of Parliamentary Constituencies

TO NOTE the Boundary Commission for England consultation on the 2023 Review of Parliamentary Constituencies (details at

<https://boundarycommissionforengland.independent.gov.uk/2023-review/>) The number of constituencies in the South East will increase from 84 to 91. By law, every constituency (except the two for the Isle of Wight) must contain between 69,724 and 77,062 Parliamentary electors (as at 2 March 2020). Barham would remain in the Canterbury constituency.

20. Planning applications

New planning applications since the last meeting:

06.	CA/21/00877 - St Marys, Valley Road, Barham, Canterbury, Kent, CT4 6PL Single-storey detached dwelling with accommodation in the roof space and detached garage with associated access following demolition of existing garage. <i>TO NOTE the following representation was uploaded to the CCC Planning Portal on 01 June 2021 and emailed to CCC Cllr Mike Sole asking that he call the application in to committee if required.</i> This is presented as a single-storey detached dwelling with accommodation in the roof space. The accommodation in the roof creates a second storey and, at best, it is just semantics to describe it as single storey, more realistically it is a misrepresentation. The application fails to show the relative heights of the proposed build and Nos 1 and 3 Mill View Court (Penbourne and Meadow House), and also the new build on the neighbouring site of "The Grey Bungalow". Judging by scaled drawing, the new property appears to be built on a level that is c. 2m higher than St Marys.
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	The tops of the ground floor windows are approximately 3.8m higher than the damp-proof course of the existing St. Mary's. The tops of the dormer windows would be around 4.9m higher than St. Mary's damp proof course. Thus the roofline of the proposed new two-storey development will be approximately the same height as the existing house, St. Mary's. This will make significant visual impact both to the front of the plot, and to the side for pedestrians and traffic approaching the village from Kingston. The height of the proposed second storey, coupled with the height of the finished floor level, means that the upstairs windows of the new build will look directly into the back bedrooms and back garden of Meadow House. This will deprive Meadow House of privacy. With proposed levels of the dormer windows higher than St Marys, it is also obvious that the property will have a direct line of sight into "The Grey Bungalow" and Meadow House. There is no doubt that there will be increased noise, disturbance and air pollution for Penbourne and Meadow House due to vehicular traffic up and down the new shared driveway within 1m of Meadow House. The proposed driveway would be immediately next to the main bedroom and rear garden of Meadow House. Despite the 30mph speed limit, traffic regularly exceeds this along this section of Valley Road, making turning into Valley Road a hazardous experience. Mill View court is c. 18 years old and was planned to be a collection of 5 houses, not an add-on to an existing property. The initial planning refusal for a new dwelling on the nearby "Invale" plot (CA/19/10409 subsequently granted on Appeal) stated: <i>"The introduction of a dwelling on this backland plot will be at odds with the character of the street, which has an established building line and linear pattern of development. While there is development within the vicinity of the site that sits behind Valley Road, including that at Mill View Court and The Shrubbery, these are historic arrangements and are not an acceptable precedent for which development on this backland site can be justified. The subdivision of the plot will result in a plot size that does not follow the prevailing character of the street and will be harmful to the spaciousness and rural character of the locality."</i> This planning decision makes clear that Mill View Court and The Shrubbery must not set a precedent for the building line of dwellings in Valley Road. All properties in Mill View Court have populations of Slow Worms right now. This was also noted and accommodated for in the planning of the new detached house at The Grey Bungalow (immediately to the right of St Mary's). The 'Preliminary Ecological Appraisal' statement that the closest recording of a slow-worm was 0.7km NW made in 2015 (p.11) is inaccurate. The adjoining property to the left of St. Mary's, Meadow House, in Mill View Court has seen a slow-worm within 1m of the boundary with St. Mary's this year (2021). There is also a bat presence on in the area. This is a designated Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, and this section of Valley Road is set amongst fields having houses on only one side. It marks the entrance to the village, and is adjacent to the Out Elmstead conservation area. It currently consists of detached properties on large plots. This proposed development is therefore significantly out of keeping with the surrounding properties, and is an intrusion into the countryside. In light of the CCC Governance meeting on 07 October 2020 removing the right of call in by parish councils and amenity groups, Barham Parish Council ask that the ward councillor, Cllr Mike Sole, calls this application in to seek amendments/improvements or to ask that it is referred to the planning committee.
07.	CA/21/00997 – 1 The Grove, Barham CT4 6PP Single-storey rear extension
08.	CA/21/01203 - Homestead, Gravel Castle Road, Barham, CT4 6LG First- floor extension over existing ground floor
09.	CA/21/01071 - Sunny Downs, Out Elmstead Lane, Barham, CT4 6HL Detached hay barn and equipment/machinery store, detached 3 car oak garage and extension to existing oak framed garage for store <i>The following representation was uploaded on 02 July 2021:</i> Barham Parish Council considered this application at its meeting held on 01 July 2021. The parish council has some concerns about the level of development proposed in an AONB for what is believed to be currently a residential property and not currently classified as business or agricultural use. The proposed location for the hay barn and equipment store is not near the existing vehicular access although presumably will require a new access to be created, which is not shown. It also stands in isolation and not grouped with the existing buildings. The parish council trusts that this is not a stealth application to establish a building footprint to enable a separate dwelling to be created in the future, and to negate this opportunity would ask that a planning condition be imposed to keep the hay barn and garage as ancillary to the main dwelling and not to be separated in the future.
10.	CA/21/00369 - The Manor, Valley Road, Barham, CT4 6PN Detached garage with room above following demolition of existing garage
11.	CA/21/01303 - Barham House Nursing Home, The Street, Barham, CT4 6PA Ramp for wheelchair exit And Application No CA/21/01304 - Application for Listed Building Consent for external alterations including a ramp for wheelchair exit.

12.	CA/21/01413 - 5 Kitchener Close, Barham, CT4 6QN Single-storey front extension with a pitched roof.
13.	CA/21/01448 - Tanglewood Cottage, 6 The Shrubbery, Barham, CT4 6NU First floor extension to front of dwelling.
14.	CA/21/01543 - Midways, Railway Hill, Barham, Kent, CT4 6PZ Single-storey detached dwelling following demolition of existing dwelling
	You can view and comment on applications online at https://www.canterbury.gov.uk/planningsearch
Notifications:	
	CA/21/00457 - Tirril, Church Lane, Barham, CT4 6PB Replacement of 05 no. windows from wooden single glazed to replica wooden double-glazed windows. GRANTED by CCC
	CA/21/00764 - Broome Park Hotel Canterbury Road Barham Canterbury Kent CT4 6QX Application for listed building consent to Increase the size of existing ceiling hatches to 750x750mm in size, in three of the suites on the first floor in the west wing – GRANTED by CCC
	CA/21/00714 and CA/21/00715LB - Breach Farm House, Elham Valley Road, Barham, CT4 6LN External/internal alterations including a two storey side extension – GRANTED
	CA/21/00811 – Red Gate Shaw, Railway Hill, Barham CT4 6LA Application for lawful development certificate for use of the building known as 'The Tower' as a self contained dwelling. CCC decision = Was Lawful

Canterbury District Local Plan to 2040

CCC launched a new second Local Plan Call for Sites on 18 May 2021

<https://news.canterbury.gov.uk/news/article/236/council-in-post-lockdown-call-for-more-potential-local-plan-sites>

The CCC 'call for sites' is a key part of the process to identify sites for housing to 2040 and started in 2020. CCC invited anyone, including landowners, parish councils and members of the public, to suggest sites that should be developed, be used to create jobs, protected as open space or that could be put to really good use by the community.

177 sites have been put forward to date, but in light of the changing circumstances and post lockdown CCC is inviting more so that as many options are open to councillors as possible.

There is a map at [Call for Sites Submissions 2020 \(arcgis.com\)](https://www.canterbury.gov.uk/call-for-sites) that shows the sites, and by clicking on them individually brings up a box that shows the suggested use such as housing, community, open space, but CCC is doing lots of work to assess whether or not they could be considered for inclusion within the Local Plan.

Canterbury District Local Plan - draft vision and options for the district

In 2020 CCC asked about the key issues and challenges facing the district as it embarked on a review of the Local Plan - the council's formal planning blueprint that allocates land for homes, jobs, community use and open space. More than 9,000 comments from almost 500 people and organisations were received.

On 28 May 2021 CCC launched a consultation (that ends on 30 July 2021) using that feedback on its draft vision and options for the district. CCC is seeking views on these options, including:

- Where and how should new housing and business growth take place?
- What infrastructure do we need to support it?
- How should we tackle congestion and improve air quality?
- Should all new homes be zero-carbon?
- How should we enhance and preserve our historic and natural environment?

Feedback at this stage will help CCC prepare a new draft Local Plan. CCC will then ask the public for its views on that draft in spring next year. Find out more and give views at <https://localplan.canterbury.gov.uk/>. All responses will be reviewed following the end of the consultation and all responses will be published online.

The Clerk explained that the government's housing figures for the period is 9,000 new homes, but CCC's preferred growth option is to build 14,000 to 17,000 new homes in order to raise funds for infrastructure including a new eastern bypass around Canterbury.

21. Councillors items

Cllr A. Tatt asked if the PCSO is doing speed checks. Cllr Wood confirmed that the Police have carried out speed checks, as well as the local speedwatch operatives.

Coffee Stop is to resume on 03 August 2021.

Cllr Hunt explained that all the trees that were relocated are surviving.
She also asked for an agenda item for the next meeting for the parish council to consider doing something to mark the Queen's Platinum Jubilee in 2022.

22. Date of next meeting

Cllr Wood reminded Cllrs of the summer recess and that the next meeting will be held on 02 September 2021 at 7.30pm in Barham Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 9.20pm.

Signed:
Chairman, Cllr David Wood

Date:

Please note these Minutes remain as draft Minutes until they are approved by the parish council at their next parish council meeting

Future meeting dates in person:

Provisional dates for Full Council: 02 September, 07 October, 04 November, 02 December 2021.

And F&GP meeting dates *should these be required*: 21 July, 18 August, 15 September, 20 October, 17 November and 15 December 2021.