

LEIGH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE LEIGH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD REMOTELY VIA ZOOM MONDAY 12TH APRIL 2021 AT 8.00PM

PRESENT: Cllr J. Kaye (Chairman), Cllr R. Britain, Cllr P. Croft, Cllr G. Marchant, Cllr G. Rogers (from 8.25pm), Cllr S. Satterley, Cllr B. Skipper and Cllr S. Smith
APOLOGIES: Cllr R. Lake and County Cllr Lake
IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs L. Kleinschmidt (Clerk), District Cllr Osborne-Jackson and a member of the public.

As previously agreed, the meeting was recorded.

Open Session

Report by District Cllr Osborne-Jackson

District Cllr Osborne-Jackson reported as follows:

- There was a successful meeting which he attended with Richard Morris, Chief Planning Officer, Mark Mirams, the Planning Officer, Cllr Kaye, Cllr Skipper and the Clerk, plus the Cabinet Member for Planning D.Cllr Julia Thornton, regarding the application at Sevton Farm. There was an opportunity to ask questions and honest answers were received. D.Cllr Osborne-Jackson said that he has chased up the questions asked and will respond as soon as possible. He said that he will continue to object to this application and feels that there are sufficient grounds to do so. Cllr Skipper raised the concern about mental health issues if this application is approved. It was noted that Burton Avenue is a private road and D.Cllr Osborne-Jackson said he will investigate what can be done to stop potential traffic using this road as access to the site.
- Bellway said that they would have a second meeting after the successful one held at SDC to discuss issues relating to the Old Powder Mills development, this has not yet been arranged, and D.Cllr Osborne-Jackson undertook to chase this up.
- D.Cllr Osborne-Jackson said that he has met the Sevenoaks District Police Commander and asked the questions on behalf of Cllr Kaye and the Clerk, and he will send the answers through when received. Casework continues behind the scene. The damage to the bench on The Green was discussed but sadly as there were no witnesses the investigation has closed.
- He also had a one-to-one meeting with the WKHA Head of Housing last week and has one arranged with the Chief Executive Officer of WKHA next week.
- D.Cllr Osborne-Jackson said that he now has a rolling communication with WKHA which is good as they can be hard to get a firm commitment from, and he will ensure that the actions promised will take place.

Members agreed to discuss the following application in the Open Session:

SE/20/02892/FUL: Sevton, Powdermill Lane, Leigh TN11 9AR - proposed retention of existing farm building and change of use to enable horse cremation facility.

Members discussed this application and agreed that the Planning Committee will draft a response. D.Cllr Osborne-Jackson asked that residents should continue to submit comments to SDC, with a copy to him and the Parish Council. Cllr Kaye thanked D.Cllr Osborne-Jackson for all his help on this application.

Report by County Cllr Lake

None.

Questions from members of the public

Mr Bastable said that all farm animals must be incinerated and not buried. Many have to be taken to Cambridge as a hub and then on to another location for incineration. He said that he agreed that an incinerator should not be located in a built up residential area.

Closed Session

160. Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Lake and his reason for absence was accepted by the Parish Council. Cllr Rogers apologised for being late. Apologies for absence were also received from County Cllr Lake.

161. Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary Interest / Non-Pecuniary Interest on matters to be discussed
None.

162. The minutes of the Leigh Parish Council Meeting held on 1st March 2021 were approved and duly signed. Proposed by Cllr Marchant, seconded by Cllr Satterley and all were in favour.

163. To discuss the format of Parish Council meetings after 6th May 2021

The Clerk reported that existing legislation allowing the Parish Council to meet remotely ends on 6th May. The Parish Council will then need to prepare to meet in person. The next Parish Council meeting on 4th May can continue to be held remotely, by then there may be more information. NALC and the LGA is campaigning for Town and Parish Councils to be given the choice. Lawyers in Local Government (LLG) announced that their court application, made with Association of Democratic Officers (ADSO) and Hertfordshire County Council will be heard on 21 April 2021 in the Administrative Court. The application seeks a declaration that the existing provision to allow local authorities to meet remotely within Schedule 12 of the Local Government Act 1972 and the Local Authorities Executive Arrangements (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 remains, regardless of the expiry of the Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020. Members agreed to discuss this further next month and asked the Clerk to find out when the village hall will re-open.

164. To review and update Risk Assessment

The Clerk reported that an updated Risk Assessment has been circulated, this includes the risk of an unauthorised incursion. Cllr Britain said that the Control to manage this risk should read: i. Parish Council has public liability insurance. ii. Parish Council has some reserves in place to deal with the costs of an incursion including legal costs and clear up costs, and will be increasing this annually. iii. The Parish Council will have the ability to work with Sevenoaks District Council and the Police. Members agreed.

Regarding Risk no.5 "If the Parish Clerk is absent due to sickness there is a risk that clerical duties will not be performed or will be delayed" Cllr Britain asked if neighbouring clerks have been asked if they would be happy to step in and help in this situation. Clerk to ask neighbouring clerks.

(Cllr Rogers joined the meeting at 8.25pm)

165. To review the Leigh Mourning Protocol

Cllr Kaye reported that, after the sad news of the death of His Royal Highness, Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh on Friday, he and the Clerk put the protocol into action. He prepared a statement which was put on the website, Facebook and Instagram on Friday and the Clerk will write a letter of condolence on behalf of the Parish Council. Due to the current lockdown, the Chairman and Clerk agreed that it would not be appropriate to open a book of condolence and residents are invited to sign the online book being managed by Buckingham Palace at www.royal.uk. Parishioners are also asked not to leave floral tributes in the parish. Members agreed to amend the Mourning Protocol to say that national restrictions or guidelines will take precedence. It was agreed to review the protocol annually.

166. Planning

i. To consider applications received

- i. SE/21/00823/HOUSE: Brookside Barn, Egg Pie Lane, Weald TN14 6NP - two-storey side extension, single-storey rear extension, balcony, landscaping, rooflights and alterations to fenestration. Members agreed that they object to this application as there was a condition imposed on the original consent when this agricultural building was converted which says that there must be no material change to the external character and appearance of the building.

- ii. SE/21/00878/HOUSE: The Woods, Hildenborough Road, Leigh TN11 8NA - demolition of existing barn and garage and construction of replacement ancillary building to include gym and artist studio. Members supported this application.
- iii. SE/21/00507/LDCPR: 17 Powder Mill Lane, Leigh TN11 9AR - single storey side and rear extensions. Cllr Marchant undertook to look at this application and the Planning Committee to agree a response.
- iv. SE/20/02892/FUL: Sevton, Powdermill Lane, Leigh TN11 9AR - proposed retention of existing farm building and change of use to enable horse cremation facility. Amended application - revised drawings and additional reports and documents to address points raised regarding noise, pollution and highways issues. Members agreed that the Planning Committee will discuss the amendments and agree a response.

The Clerk reported that since the last meeting, the Planning Committee discussed the following applications and submitted comments:

- v. SE/21/00646/HOUSE and SE/21/00647/LBCALT: South View, The Green, Leigh TN11 8QR - installation of secondary glazing with associated like-for-like repairs and necessary decoration. Members had no comment to make on this application.
 - vi. SE/21/00439/HOUSE: Pippin Cottage, The Green, Leigh TN11 8QJ - the erection of a two bay oak framed detached garage. Members had no comment to make on this application.
- ii. To hear update regarding the application for a horse cremation facility at Sevton, Powder Mills
See Open Session above.
 - iii. To report SDC planning application decisions:
 - SE/20/03760/LBCALT: The Coach House, Ramhurst Manor, Powdermill Lane, Leigh - upgrade and replace old fittings to main bedroom and en-suite bathroom. No structural alterations. Application approved.
 - SE/20/03723/HOUSE: Old Lodge, High Street, Leigh - internal and external alterations to enlarge ground floor kitchen area and reposition bathroom. Application refused. Reason: Insufficient information has been submitted to establish the impact to the significance of the listed building Old Lodge. The proposal fails to demonstrate the conservation of the significance of the designated heritage asset, and furthermore fails to demonstrate how the wider setting of the building within the Leigh Conservation Area and Registered Park and Garden will be conserved as designated heritage assets, contrary to policy EN4 of the Sevenoaks Allocation and Development Management Plan and the aims and objectives of the National Planning Policy Framework including paragraph 189 of the National Planning Policy Framework.
 - SE/21/00772/W5DAY: The Old Burial Ground, High Street, Leigh - remove 1 branch from an unknown tree and removal of branches from a Holly tree. No objection.
 - SE/21/00186/HOUSE: 20 Powder Mill Lane, Leigh - two storey rear extension. Application approved.

167. The Green

- i. To discuss future maintenance of The Green

	Maintenance	2020	2021
1.	To gang mow green on 21 occasions	£743.66	£765.96
2.	To spike the football pitch on 3 occasions (2021 whole green on 2 occasions)	£849.89	£480.00
3.	To roll the whole green in both directions in April	£283.30	£350.00
4.	To contravate (shallow lines are dug in the goal mouth and grass seed sown) the football pitch in April	£566.59	£583.59
5.	To quadplay whole green on 1 occasion		£240.00
6.	To fertilize the whole green on 1 occasion in April (2021 2 occasions)	£566.59	£1,000.45
7.	To vertidrain the football pitch on 2 occasions (2021 whole green on 1 occasion)	£566.59	£580.00
	Total	£3,576.62	£4,000.00

The Clerk reported that Landscapes Services have submitted their price as above for the maintenance contract of The Green for this season. This has been in conjunction with discussions with Ian Bishop. Cllr Skipper proposed that the Parish Council approve the 2021 contract, this was seconded by Cllr Satterley and all were in favour.

ii. To discuss action required on the bench on The Green that was damaged by a vehicle

i. The Clerk advised that she reported the damage to the bench to the Police but they were unable to take any action as there was no evidence or witnesses. Members agreed that they would not replace the bench. Members agreed to specify the design of any new memorial bench on The Green and to ask for a one-off payment towards future maintenance.

ii. The Clerk reported that there is a bench with protruding nails opposite the war memorial. Cllr Croft said that there are two, one on the War Memorial Green and this one. Members agreed that these two benches should be removed on safety grounds.

iii. To discuss the ACRK Coffee Caravan project which will use The Green

The Clerk reported that the Coffee Caravan was due to come to Leigh last year but this was cancelled due to the pandemic. It will visit Leigh this year on Fridays, 10.30 to 12.30 on the following dates: 04.06.21, 02.07.21, 30.07.21, 27.08.21 and 24.09.21. Members agreed. Clerk to help advertise the sessions and Cllr Rogers said that the volunteers may be happy to circulate a leaflet.

iv. To discuss proposal for a new path to be installed on The Green near Porcupine House

Cllr Marchant reported that he has checked the ground levels and the gradient is 1 in 20.9. If the church or the residents come to the Parish Council with a formal proposal for a new path, it may be possible to have it running alongside the road. Members agreed that no further action is required until a proposal is submitted to the Parish Council.

v. To discuss requests for filming in Leigh village

i. Cllr Kaye reported that Leigh Performing Arts has asked for permission to film in the following areas on the dates shown:

Churchyard: Sunday 2nd May 2pm

Birdcage Walk: Sunday 2nd May 3pm

War Memorial: Sunday 2nd May 4pm

Bottle Bank: Sunday 9th May 2pm

Outside Jessica's Hall: Sunday 9th May 3pm

Enfield Bridge: Sunday 9th May 4pm

Members gave their approval for the filming to be carried out at the War Memorial, at the Bottle Bank area and outside Jessica's Hall, but approval may also be required from the school.

Clerk to request that all national guidelines are adhered to, that the group has adequate public liability insurance and that the necessary consents are sought if people and places are included in the filming.

ii. The Clerk reported that there was a request for filming on The Green for a vintage village fair for a new film. Members discussed this over email due to the short notice of the request, and agreed that this would not be possible due to the lack of social distancing, and that there would be an impact to The Green from the number of vehicles parking there.

vi. To discuss request by Shayler's Fun Fair to use The Green from 14th -21st June with the fun fair on 18, 19th and 20th June

Members felt that this request has been received too late as the cricket fixtures are all in place. Also national restrictions are currently in place and the country is still at risk. There could also be potential damage to The Green. Cllr Britain proposed that the Parish Council refuse this request this year, this was seconded by Cllr Kaye and all were in favour.

vii. To discuss request by Leigh Horticultural Society and Superstars to use The Green on Saturday 4th September

Members approved this request providing that there are no restrictions in place.

viii. To discuss request by Leigh in Bloom to plant daffodils on the War Memorial Green, The Green on the entrance to Crandalls, and on the area at the entrance to Well Close

Members refused the request to plant more daffodil bulbs on the War Memorial Green and it was agreed that the residents of Well Close like the area of grass at the entrance to be regularly maintained.

The area under the trees at the entrance to Crandalls is not ideal but members would be happy to have a planter placed there if it is regularly maintained.

168. Highways

To discuss arrangements for litter picking 2021

Cllr Kaye reported that there have been a number of people who have done some magnificent solo litter picking, but more is needed. Clerk to check with SDC as to whether they will now allow the Parish Council to borrow the litter pickers. Cllr Kaye said that the maximum number at each litter picking session will be 15 and the sessions will be held after 21st June.

169. Rights of Way

To hear update regarding the application to divert SR427 to join SR426 between Killick's Bank Cottage and Ensfield Road

Members agreed that if the title document is not received from Penshurst Place, the Clerk should order online from the Land Registry. Members asked whether a new smart bin could be placed here, Clerk to investigate.

170. To discuss correspondence received

The Clerk reported that the list of correspondence received has been circulated, and drew members' attention to the following:

- i. Item 2: Email from Dan Eaton, Headteacher of Leigh Primary School: "Many thanks for the email and this is just great news. A huge thank you to the Parish Council for granting this money and I'll do an update and thank you to them when we've spent the money. It will make a huge impact on the maths provision across the school which is especially important post Covid!"
- ii. Item 3: Copy email from the following MPs who form the Gatwick Coordination Group: Tom Tugendhat, Sir Paul Beresford, Crispin Blunt, The Rt Hon Greg Clark and Andrew Griffith to Robert Courts MP, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State in the DfT: "Since 2006 there has been no fundamental review of the night flight regime. Night flights cause issues to every single community close to an affected airport. Even during the Coronavirus pandemic, the continuation of flights during the night has resulted in complaints relating to continuing aviation noise. As a result it is essential that the Government looks at the night flight regime as it is this, rather than frequency of flights, which are causing issues for communities. Consequently, we would request that the regime not be rolled forward for an additional two years without a thorough and comprehensive review of the costs and benefits of night flights, especially during a period where there is a greater availability during day time hours for flying.
"Secondly, we are extremely disappointed over the course of the pandemic that night flights have continued to operate from Gatwick Airport. The current reduction on traffic more generally provides the Government an ideal opportunity to take more seriously the extensive health costs they have on local communities. This should include mechanisms where night flights can only be allowed where there is strong and overwhelming evidence that they have a substantial net benefit by operating.
Thirdly, as part of this consultation we would be grateful if you could consider whether it is appropriate to ensure that all airports affected, including Gatwick, have strong pricing disincentives for airlines to operate at night. These should reflect the wider impacts of night flights to communities and make sure that all night flights are operated by the least noisy categories of aircraft."
- iii. Item 5: KALC: "KCC is working with the Crowdfunding platform Spacehive. This is an opportunity for community groups in your area to raise money to deliver projects locally. KCC can pledge up to £20,000 for projects that meet the following criteria:
 - Supporting community action in Kent particularly activities that are focused on supporting people who are facing financial difficulties or who are isolated as a result of Covid.
 - Supporting community assets and venues in Kent, that contribute to our local communities and local connections, improving wellbeing.
 - Helping to maintain the volunteering offer/social action we have seen during the pandemic post Covid 19."
- iv. Items 7 and 19: Kent Police:
 - (i) Charcott on Wednesday 10th March at around 1:29am somebody broke into a business property.

- (ii) Ensfield Road, Leigh, on Thursday 25th March at around 8:00pm somebody broke into a shed and stole a quad bike.
- (iii) Powder Mills, Leigh, on Monday 29th March between 4:15pm and 4:45pm somebody damaged a fence at a residential property.
- (iv) The Forstall, Leigh, on Thursday 1st April at around 12:33am somebody was seen trying to break into a summer house at a residential property.
- v. Item 9: Email from Chris Rowley: "Village Archive Cupboard: we asked for as much fire resistance as practical. The walls are solid which helps; and the doors were specially made of fire resistant 44mm thick MDF which we were told formally gives a half hour fire rating."
- vi. Item 10: SDC – training slides on Sunlight and Daylight testing for applications and Agricultural GPDO information. Copied to the Planning Committee.
- vii. Item 11: SDC News Releases: (i) SDC has secured £25,000 for a 'Smart bin' pilot to improve its litter clearing service. SDC will use the funding to purchase fifty 'Smart bins' for rural locations. The new, larger, wood clad bins will include sensors that alert the Council when they need clearing. This means a quicker, reactive service when the bins are full and fewer wasted journeys when bins are not at full capacity. The 'Smart bin' pilot is part of a wider, emerging strategy from the Council to reduce litter across the District. Other proposals include more education and enforcement and other smarter ways of working. Cabinet Member for Cleaner and Greener, Cllr Margot McArthur says, "We currently spend £1.4m a year, roughly 10% of our annual budget on street cleaning but we are always looking for new and innovative ways to reduce littering and to clear it promptly. This new technology will allow us to work smarter and faster for our residents, businesses and visitors. The overall aim of the wider strategy is to make littering unacceptable behaviour. Reducing litter is one of the largest areas of concern for us and we will continue to find new ways to achieve this." The smart bin funding was secured from the Waste & Resources Action Programme (WRAP) on 15 March. The smart bins plan to be introduced between April and May 2021.
(ii) SDC will again be supporting local charity and voluntary groups by allocating £154,675 to help them continue their valuable work across the District. The grants will support organisations that provide services to Sevenoaks District residents, particularly those in greatest need. The funding from this year's grant scheme will be particularly welcome to the charity sector after an incredibly challenging year. Funding totaling £51,135 will be made to 19 local groups who support volunteers, run community transport, help older people and people experiencing mental health problems and assist families across the District.
- viii. Item 12: GACC: "At our Parish Council Zoom get together on 28th January we agreed to hold similar meetings several times annually, to enable GACC to feed Council concerns into the various airport bodies on which we sit, such as GATCOM, NATMAG and the Noise Management Board. We are therefore planning our next session, by Zoom, at 19:00 on Thursday 29th April and hope you will be able to attend. The last few months have continued to be exceptionally busy and we plan to update you on the situation as regards night flights, the recently agreed Noise Management Board work plan, Gatwick's growth plans, airspace modernisation, which is restarting at Gatwick and aviation taxation. We'll also cover likely future air traffic levels, which seem set to ramp up quickly to some 70% of 2019 numbers by the end of the year, or more than ten times the levels in the first half of the year, with of course considerable local impacts."
- ix. Item 14: SDC – emails regarding unauthorised encampments in Chevening, Rusthall, Southborough and Swanley.
- x. Item 16: Kent Police report: "A large amount of our time is now being spent on COVID related calls and patrolling in the district to deal with any regulation breaches and provide advice and reassurance to all. This is also due to a reduction in other types of crime and ASB. Please be aware that there has been a rise in cases of scams and fraud. There is information on the Kent Police website and any incidents can be reported to Action Fraud - <https://www.actionfraud.police.uk/>. Any calls you get that you aren't expecting or don't know the number please be cautious and never give them any personal details or give them money. Any calls you believe to be fraudulent please make a report to the police via online reports or using 101. Another ongoing issue we are having is thefts of catalytic converters from cars across the county. This is an increasing problem and we are getting reports of this a lot more in the rural areas. In order to steal the parts, thieves need to slide under the vehicle and use cutting tools to detach the back box from the pipes around it.

“This means parking your car close to fences, walls or kerbs will make theft much more difficult. You can purchase devices that lock in around the converter to make it more difficult to remove and parking in an area that's well lit, which people regularly walk past will help reduce the chance of it occurring. Leigh & Chiddingstone: We had several calls for nuisance youths in the area and due to the increase in calls several officers attended the area and spoke with the locals to find out the cause of the issue. Patrols will be done in the area to keep an eye on any disturbances. Speed checks were conducted by two local officers on Penshurst Road in Leigh, due to the findings we will work to get more speed checks done in the area as several vehicles were seen driving over the limit. Work was completed with Kent Fire and Rescue to deal with a tree down causing an obstruction in Bough Beech. With the help of some locals the tree was cut down and the road was re-opened quickly. Several Covid breaches were attended by patrols but unfortunately no fines were handed out due to the people breaking the rules leaving the area before patrols were able to reach the area. Patrols were made aware of burglary in progress in the area and multiple units were sent out to catch the offenders. No arrests have been made yet, but patrols will be done in the area to establish a high visibility to deter any crimes. Please ensure all outdoors buildings are locked and secure and think about motion sensor lights or CCTV to prevent such crimes from occurring.”

- xi. Item 17: D.Cllr Osborne-Jackson – sending copy of the first edition of Your Town Centre News for all traders operating in the town centres of Edenbridge, Sevenoaks, Swanley and Westerham. It will cover the latest advice for re-opening your business and how the high streets are being promoted as safe, attractive and welcoming places to visit, shop and spend time.
- xii. Item 18: Email from Paula Beresford, Chair of the Leigh Village Halls Management Committee: “I wanted to update you on the tree seat for Leigh Village Halls. We asked for quotes from both Weld Done and Penshurst Forge and the Committee decided we particularly liked the proposed design of the Penshurst Forge one. They will also provide small plaques for John Knock and Brenda Lewis, to whom the original seat was dedicated.”
- xiii. Item 20: SDC re: Local Plan: “The Council has been waiting for some time for the Court of Appeal's decision relating to our emerging Local Plan. We received notification yesterday that the Court has refused our application for permission to appeal and we have not succeeded in challenging the Inspector regarding her conclusions on the duty to co-operate. We appealed on two grounds. The first related to the ‘margin of appreciation’. We felt that the approach taken by the Inspector was wrong - she effectively said that we must have failed to co-operate because a solution was not reached with neighbouring authorities to accommodate unmet housing need elsewhere. This is unsurprising, given the extent of environmental constraints across West Kent. In fact, there was comprehensive engagement on this matter throughout the plan making process, as set out in the volumes of detailed evidence. Ground two related to there being insufficient reasoning to the original High Court decision, leaving us with uncertainty as to what had been decided. Although this ground was well supported by our Counsel and legal team, the Court of Appeal judge simply disagreed with us and said the judgment ‘could not be clearer’. We disagree with the determination of the Court on both grounds, but cannot do anything more to challenge the Inspector. The next steps for the Local Plan will be those set out in the report to the Development and Conservation Advisory Committee on Thursday 4th March 2021. Officers will continue to move forwards with the production of an updated evidence base and engage with the Department for Communities and Local Government, to agree a strategy that ensures a Local Plan can be put in place as quickly as possible. Further updates will be provided when this has been agreed. This is obviously not the outcome we had hoped for, but we will come back stronger. In the meantime, be assured that environmental resources in the District, and the Green Belt, will continue to be protected in accordance with policies in the current Local Plan and national planning guidance.”

171. Finance:

Cllr Marchant proposed that the following payments be approved, this was seconded by Cllr Satterley and all were in favour:

- i. To approve Leigh's contribution towards parish rural swathe & visibility splay cutting: £802.43
- ii. To approve Leigh's contribution towards office costs: £275.22
- iii. To approve cost of tree work at The Old Burial Ground: £45 + VAT
- iv. To approve membership renewal to Kent Association of Local Councils: £734.90 + VAT

- v. To approve membership renewal to Action with Communities in Rural Kent: £80
- vi. To approve membership renewal to CPRE: £36
- vii. To approve membership renewal to Local Councils Update: £100
- viii. To discuss whether the Parish Council would in principle give a grant to the Leigh Historical Society towards a survey of the 12th Century moated area at Great Barnett's, and possibly The Green. Members agreed to consider this upon request.
- ix. To approve list of payments: Cllr Marchant proposed that the list of payments be approved. This was seconded by Cllr Satterley and all were in favour. Cllr Kaye and Cllr Britain to authorise the online payments.

172. Items for reporting or inclusion in future agenda

- i. Cllr Kaye reported that the Morley Trust has asked whether the Parish Council would be willing to discuss in future the transfer of the allotments to the Parish Council at zero cost. The Trustees are going to get a valuation. Members agreed that that they would be willing to consider such a request if made.
- ii. The Custodial Trust deed for the Leigh Village Halls to be considered at the next meeting.
- iii. Cllr Marchant reported that oil has been put down the drain in Powdermill Lane by the food outlet area, looks like cooking fat. Clerk to ask the food outlets not to do this.
- iv. Cllr Marchant reported that a vehicle was driven over The Green at the weekend.
- v. Cllr Marchant reported that the conifers at the end of Kiln Lane still need cutting back as they are overhanging highway.
- vi. Cllr Marchant reported that conifers at Crandalls overhang the road badly. These are in the garden of Chilling House.
- vii. Cllr Rogers reported that there is graffiti on the railway arch and near the flood storage area. Clerk to send map to Cllr Rogers for her to mark the location and then to report. Cllr Marchant reported that there is graffiti on the main road beyond Hildenborough Station.
- viii. Cllr Britain said that the pumping station malfunctioned at the weekend, and there have been two failures in a month which have not been reported on their website. Twelve tankers were on site at any one time pumping out. In March this happened non-stop for seven days. D.Cllr Osborne-Jackson offered to share the contact details for the stakeholder manager at Southern Water so that the Parish Council can make direct contact.
- ix. Cllr Croft reported that potholes in The Green Lane need doing again. Clerk to report again.

The meeting closed at 10.10pm.

Signed

Date

LEIGH PARISH COUNCIL LIST OF PAYMENTS April 2021

Date	Payment		Detail of payment	Amount	
	Number	Payee		Inc.	VAT
12.04.21	332	Clerk	Salary	£860.72	
12.04.21	333	HMRC	PAYE	£344.76	
12.04.21	334	Clerk	Mileage, petty cash & work from home allow	£206.14	£6.99
12.04.21	335	KCC	Pension contribution	£458.07	
12.04.21	336	Vision ICT Ltd	Provision 9 hosted email accounts	£194.40	£32.40
12.04.21	337	Vision ICT Ltd	Data backup June 21 to May 2022 (cost to Leigh £60)	£144.00	£24.00
12.04.21	338	SDC	Emptying dog bins Jan to March 2021	£563.16	£93.86
12.04.21	339	ACRK	Subscription renewal (same as last year)	£80.00	
12.04.21	340	CPRE	Subscription renewal (same as last year)	£36.00	
12.04.21	341	KALC	Subscription renewal (last year: £727.64)	£881.88	£146.98
12.04.21	342	Communicorp	Local Councils Update (last year: £100)	£100.00	
12.04.21	343	Original Tree Surgeons	Emergency tree work in Old Burial Ground	£54.00	£9.00
				£3,923.13	£313.23