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NOTICE OF A MEETING OF PADDOCK WOOD TOWN COUNCIL TO BE HELD VIA ZOOM ON
Monday 15th February 2021, AT 7.30 PM

Join Zoom Meeting
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COUNCIL MEMBERS ARE REMINDED TO KEEP THEIR MICROPHONES MUTED THROUGHOUT THE MEETING UNLESS SPEAKING.

IF A COUNCIILOR WISHES TO SPEAK, PLEASE PLACE AN S IN THE CHAT FUNCTION OF THE PROGRAMME TO INDICATE THIS AND THE CHAIRMAN WILL DIRECT THE ORDER OF SPEAKING ACCORDINGLY.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO REMAIN MUTED AT ALL TIMES.

To receive an update from Representatives from the Paddock Wood Community Advice Centre.

QUESTIONS FROM RESIDENTS (15 minutes)

Questions of, or statements to, the council should be submitted to the Clerk two working days beforehand, for a response at the meeting. Any question asked at the meeting will receive a written response. All questions or statements to relate to items on the agenda (Standing Order 3 (e)).

BOROUGH & COUNTY COUNCILLORS UPDATE (10 minutes)

APOLOGIES

C106 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

C107 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS

- a) To APPROVE the minutes of the meeting held on 18th January 2021. A member of the public contacted the chairman after the meeting expressing concerns that Standing Orders did not appear to have been re-instated following on from the contribution from CC Hamilton, and whether this had any impact on the resolutions taken later in the meeting. KALC has advised that Standing Orders are in two parts – those which are in bold are legal requirements and cannot be suspended. Those which are not in bold are best practice but not a legal requirement. It has therefore been determined that no legal breach has taken place.

- b) To NOTE the minutes of the Planning & Environment Committee meetings held on the 18th January & 1st February 2021
- (c) To NOTE the minutes of the PPP meeting held 25th January 2021
- d) To note the minutes of the Estates Committee held on 8th February 2021

C108 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

C109 FINANCE

- a) To APPROVE the payments vouchers
- b) To NOTE the receipts vouchers
- c) Grant request
 - i) To consider the request for £500 from the Community Storehouse
 - ii) To consider a request from for £500 from Paddock Wood Rangers

C110 RETURN TO ACTUAL MEETINGS

NALC has advised that the current legislation which allows for virtual meetings expires on the 7th May 2021. After that date councils must return to face-to-face meetings. At present the Government has no plans to extent the legislation., NALC is pressing for a review of that decision and the Chairman of the Council has written to Greg Clark MP seeking his support. (Copy of the letter is attached)

As things stand members must consider how the council can return to face-to-face meetings. NALC have produced some guidance which is attached and is suggested a working party of members should meet to consider the guidance and report back to the council in March.

C111 COMMUNITY CENTRE

- a) A newsletter is being distributed to all households in Paddock Wood. Distribution should be completed by the end the week. (subject to weather)
- b) The Design Team met on the 4th February 2021 to start considering the internal fit out for the centre. The Working Party will meet on the 16th February 2021 to review the details from the meeting.
- c) The closing date for the planning consultation by TWBC is the 19th February 2021.
- d) The minutes of the January Board meeting are attached.

C112 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

To receive an update from the Chairman

C113 VISION ZERO – ROAD SAFETY STRATEGY FOR KENT

KCC are consulting on their road safety strategy for Kent. The closing date for the responses is the 15th March 2021. The consultation can be found at <https://kccconsultations.inconsult.uk/consult.ti/visionzero/consultationHome>

There is a free virtual workshop with KCC to provide an opportunity for Parish, Town, Community and County Councillors to discuss the detail of the Vision Zero Strategy on the 3rd March if any member wishes to attend.

C114 REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES

- (a) Chairman's meeting.
- (b) Paddock Wood Business Association
- (c) Bereko Committee
- (d) KALC
- (e) Medway Valley Line
- (f) Hop Pickers Line

- (g) Youth Council
- (h) Putlands Leisure Centre Liaison meeting
- (i) Liaison Meeting with developers
- (j) Strategic sites meeting

C115 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Monday 15th MARCH 2021.

NICHOLA REAY
Clerk to the Council
9th February 2021