

Minutes of the Planning Committee of the Badgers Mount Parish Council held on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> of November 2022 in Badgers Mount Memorial Hall at **7.30 pm**

**Meeting Started: 19:30 hours**

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: to receive and accept apologies for absence: None
2. DECLARATIONS OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS To receive any disclosure by members of personal interests in matters on the agenda, the nature of any interests, and whether the member regards the interest to be prejudicial under the terms of the Code of Conduct: None
3. FINANCE
  - 3.1. Payments – Accounts approved
4. PLANNING
  - 4.1. SDC Local Plan Reg 18 Consultation discussion - SDC is preparing a new Local Plan for Sevenoaks District. Plan 2040 is centred around the three overarching themes of Health and Well-being, Net Zero and Delivering Design Excellence. The Development Strategy focuses on making the best and most efficient use of land in our existing settlements and, at this stage, they are not considering any Green Belt release.  
Sevenoaks District Council's new Local Plan will manage what can be built and where up to 2040. In order to protect the District's much cherished Green Belt, the Plan focuses growth in existing towns, promoting the most efficient use of land and the reuse of Brownfield sites. It includes proposals for new homes, protecting business space and supporting the District's high streets as well as new facilities such as schools, health centres and transport. Crucially it aims to protect the district's character and environment.  
The Parish Council will compare all major headings proposed by Plan 2040 and compare it to the responses provided by residents of Badgers Mount for the Neighbourhood Plan. This could then be circulated with the Autumn newsletter, so that residents could read and send their comments to the Parish Council. These responses could then be collated in the Parish Councils response to the Reg 18 Consultation. This might also encourage more residents to complete the questionnaires that SDC has posted towards the Consultation process.
  - 4.2. To consider any planning applications received up to 2 days before the meeting - None
  - 4.3. District Councillors Report on planning matters – Chevening Estate appeal to Planning permission. The Parish Council discussed on the various points for objecting to the Appeal
5. AMENITIES
  - 5.1. Bulb planting in the planters & Millennium sign – Cllr Lake to speak to Polhill to procure Narcissus bulbs to plant in the planters at the gates of the village as well as the Millennial sign

**Meeting ended: 21:45 hours**