Godstone Parish Council

(incorporating the Villages of Godstone, South Godstone and Blindley Heath)

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MINUTES

of the Extraordinary meeting of Godstone Parish Council held on Wednesday 19 April 2022 at 7.00pm at The Bounty, Godstone.

Members: Cllrs J Gardner, B Davis, J Farnaby, D Stone and L Case

Apologies: S Endersby (Clerk)

In Attendance: S Forman and T Puttock of the Ashill Group Absent: S Forman and T Puttock of the Ashill Group C White, M McLoughlin, S Farr, and C Farr

1. Questions from Members of the Public - None

2. Apologies and reasons for absence

2.1 No apologies had been received from Cllrs C White, M McLoughlin, S Farr, and C Farr.

RESOLVED – The meeting was deemed quorate.

3. Declarations of Interest

- 3.1 It was noted that the Parish council have an interest in the Ashill development due to the benefit that it will provide to Godstone Parish and it was therefore noted that the councillors present could be deemed to have an interest due to the benefit to the village and those that live in the village.
- 4. Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) Consider the proposed Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for signing on behalf of Godstone Parish Council

Parties: Landowner: Godstone Parish Council (GPC)

Promoter: Ashill Land Limited (ALL)

Site: Land adjacent to Three Elms, Bletchingley Road, Godstone, Surrey

- 4.1 MoU Documentation Summary
 - a. The last MoU provided to council by Ashill prior to its meeting of 3 April 2023 was 'Memorandum of Understanding 27.09.22'
 - b. Following the full council meeting of 3 April 2023, an updated MoU document 'Memorandum of Understanding 27.09.22 updated and sent to GPC 06.04.23' was provided to the Parish office and circulated by email to council on 14 April 2023.
 - c. A further updated MoU document 'Memorandum of Understanding 27.09.22 updated and sent to GPC 06.04.23' was provided to the Parish office on 19 April 2023 with changes highlighted and circulated to council on 19 April 2023.
- 4.2 The chairman raised three points in relation to the development:
 - 4.2.1 The maintenance of the road to the Health centre
 - 4.2.2 The maintenance of the fence between the health centre and GPC land
 - 4.2.3 The building of a foot bridge over the culvert to the hilly fields.

In all cases the council received satisfactory comments from the Ashill representatives and minor modifications to the MOU would be drawn up by Ashill.

RESOLVED – It was unanimously agreed that following the agreed minor modifications, the MOU be signed by Godstone Parish Council.

- 5. Consideration of carrying out of work following the URGENT findings highlighted in the Tree Survey in relation to three trees on Godstone Green.
 - 5.1 As stated on the agenda, it was noted that consideration of the full survey to be dealt with at the next possible full council meeting.
 - 5.2 The urgent findings and recommendations were considered.

Tag			Tree				
No.	Inspected	Area	Туре	Defect	Recommendation		Location
		Godstone					
9319	Mar-23	Green	Chestnut	Fungus	Remove	Urgent	grid.slices.wing
		Godstone					
9311	Mar-23	Green	Chestnut	Decaying	Remove	Urgent	regard.hood.office
		Godstone					
9303	Mar-23	Green	Lime	Dead	Remove	Urgent	glad.seats.blend

- 5.2.1 Fell the tree (Tag No. 9311) close to the pond
- 5.2.2 Fell the tree (Tag No. 9319) near the pavilion on the Green
- 5.2.3 Fell the tree (Tag No. 9303) opposite the White Hart Pub on the edge of the Green
- 5.3 The meeting discussed that tree (Tag No. 9311) close to the pond (see below) did not appear to be dangerous to councillors and councillors would like to ask the Tandridge District Council tree officer to offer an opinion on this tree.



ACTION EM4/23 – 1 – Clerk to request the opinion of the tree officer in relation to the urgency and condition of tree (Tag No. 9311).

RESOLVED – It was unanimously agreed that the necessary urgent work should be carried out as soon as possible. Of the three trees discussed, the two trees; (Tag No. 9319) near the pavilion on the Green and (Tag No. 9303) opposite the White Hart Pub on the edge of the Green, should be felled asap.

6. Some other issues were discussed informally including the Bounty purchase and the allotment housing development as the matters had not been published on the agenda. No decisions were taken and no formal report issued on these matters.

Part TWO	
	Meeting ended
Chairperson	Dated