



**Minutes of the Extraordinary Full Council meeting of Bearsted Parish Council
held at King George V Memorial Hall, Manor Rise on Wednesday 2nd
February 2022 at 7.30pm**

Present:	Cllr Michael Bollom (Chairman)	Cllr Sandra Knatchbull
	Cllr Richard Ash MBE	Cllr Pat Marshall MBE
	Cllr Suzanne Camp	Cllr Graham Norton
	Cllr Martin Broughton	Cllr Adam Powell
	Cllr Graeme Hannington	Cllr Denis Spooner
	Cllr Tom Jenkins	

Also, in attendance were Clerk Erin Sugden, PCSO Kirsty Greaves, PCSO Megan MacLeod, Community Wardens Sally Williams, and Sandra Evans. There were 26 members of the public present some of which represented local organisations.

Reports from members of the public- item 4.

- 1. Declarations of intention to record**
The Clerk declared that the meeting would be recorded for minuting purposes.
- 2. Apologies and absences**
Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs F.Hughes, J.Hughes and M.Peters.
- 3. Declaration of Interests, Dispensations, Predetermination or Lobbying**
None.
- 4. To discuss the anti-social behaviour taking place at the Church Lane carpark**
The Chairman invited members of the public to explain their experiences of antisocial behaviour at the Church Lane car park. These ranged from dangerous driving, loud music, loud voices, verbal abuse, alleged Nitric Oxide gas being consumed, alleged drug dealing, dropping of litter and nails being spread over the car park surface.

Residents reported that the behaviour can start from 4pm (dusk) and go in intervals until 2am.

The representation from Kent Police reported that a number of cars associated with antisocial behaviour had been reported to them. The Police have since visited the homes of the car owners and warned that any persistent behaviour will result in a Section 59 being issued. Section 59 allows the police to give drivers a warning if they are reported to have used their vehicle in a manner that causes “alarm, distress or annoyance”. If reported to have done so again within a year the Police have the right to confiscate the vehicle and crush it.

It was reiterated that members of the public should not intervene or takedown Vehicle Identification Numbers.

A number of suggestions to prevent, reduce and eliminate antisocial behaviour were suggested and will be investigated; these included signs, CCTV, ANPR, speed ramps, obstacles, and a barrier.

It was noted that the local organisations use the car park until the following times:

	Last entry	Last exit
B&T Tennis Club	10.30pm	11pm
B&T Bowls Club	10.30pm	11pm
Girl Guides	-	10pm
Scouts	-	10pm
Allotments	Governed by light	-
BWT	-	-
Holy Cross Church	-	9pm

The Clerk will look at options and present findings to the Full Council at their next meeting.

There being no further business to transact, the meeting closed at 20.49 hrs

Signed..... Date.....