

## **Minutes of the Extraordinary meeting of Hoath Parish Council held on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2024 at 5.30pm in Hoath Village Hall.**

Present: Councillors: Imogen Morizet (Chair), Karen Johncock, William Hawkins and Sandy Sinclair. Caroline Read (Parish Clerk & RFO). KCC Cllr Alan Marsh and CCC Rachel Carnac were also present, plus 24 Members of the Public (MoP).

1. **Apologies.** Apologies received from Cllr Adele Wright and accepted by members.
2. **Declarations of Interest & Dispensation requests:** Cllr Hawkins declared that his spouse remains a Cllr at Chislet Parish Council. There were no other declarations of interest.
3. **Representations from the public included:**

A MoP enquired that if the Parish Council were considering extending the lease of The Paddock to the Chislet & District Pre-School Playgroup, then could a 5-year lease be considered, rather than a 12-month lease. The MoP also requested that if there were to be a rental increase, that this shouldn't be a large amount.

A MoP suggested that the Pre-School lease should reflect the academic year (September through to July).

A MoP requested assurance from the Parish Council that they had considered all the correspondence received from residents relating to the Lease Agreement.

4. **The meeting was reconvened to complete business items on the agenda.**
5. **Propose changes to the current Lease Agreement with the Chislet & District Pre-School Playgroup.**

Members RESOLVED to amend the Lease Agreement (Agreement for Management, dated 12 April 2021), which would provide the 'Playgroup' with continued exclusive use of The Paddock, on a 12-month rolling basis, the Lease Agreement (Agreement for Management) would be reviewed annually, likely in October.

The Members confirmed that there would be no rental increase for leasing The Paddock at this time but would be considered at the annual review of the Lease. All other terms and conditions of the Lease remain extant, i.e. Annual Payments, Restrictions on Use, Restriction on Buildings/Structures, Fencing & other maintenance, Safety & Insurance, and Termination Notice periods.

**Actions:** (1) Clerk to inform Playgroup. (2) To arrange a meeting with Playgroup & Cllrs (3) To amend Agreement for Management for signature, for when Playgroup Manager returns from compassionate leave.

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- 6. **Date of next meeting:** The next Parish Council meeting is at 5.45pm on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2024, on completion, Kent Police would be delivering a short presentation on Cyber Protection and Fraud Prevention to the residents. This presentation is open to all ages.

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Signed as a true record \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Chair)

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