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MINUTES of Annual Parish Council Meeting held at 123,
Ashford Road, Thanington, Kent, on Tuesday 1st June 1971

CHAIRMAN Cllor Mr. A.R.Palmer in the Chair.

PRESENT Cllors Messrs A.R.Palmer, S.V.Jacobs, W.S.Bradshaw, A.B. Richardson, W.J.Knott, A.J.Apps and Mrs V.C.Sanders.

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN. Cllor Mr. Jacobs proposed that Cllor Mr. A.R. Palmer be elected Chairman for the coming year. Seconded by Cllor Mr. Apps and agreed.

ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN. Cllors Mrs Sanders proposed that Cllor Mr.S.V. Jacobs be elected Vice Chairman for the coming year. Seconded by Cllor Mr. Knott and agreed.

DECLARATION of acceptance of office of Chairman was made by Cllor Mr. A.R.Palmer.

MINUTES The Minutes of the previous Meeting were confirmed and signed.

K.A.P.C. Cllors Mr. W.E.Bradshaw and Mrs V.C.Sanders were appointed as representatives for meetings of the Kent Association of Parish Councils and Area Committee.

HIGHWAYS A letter of 30th March from the Div. Surveyor stated remedial Surface Water works would be carried out to the drain. Cllors Messrs New Hse Ln Knott and Apps said nothing had been done. Clerk was instructed to write again to Div. Surveyor.

Safety Barrier. The Div. Surveyors letter of 30 March stated this matter would receive attention. Cllors Messrs Knott and Apps said no repairs had been done. Clerk instructed to write again to Div. Surveyor.

G.P.O.Manholes. Ashford Rd & Tonford Lane. The Clerk said some attempts had been made to improve the surface around the Ashford Rd manholes but it was not a good job. Cllors Mrs Sanders said the G.P.O. manhole outside No. 11 Tonford Lane had not been repaired. Clerk instructed to deal with this matter.

ACCOUNTS. Cllor Mr. Apps proposed that the following accounts be passed for payment:-

K.A.P.C. Annual Subscription 1971/72	£8.27	
6 P.C.Reviews for year	£3.30	£11. 57
H.A.Sheppard & Co. 3rd Party Liability Insce due 20/5/71	Midland Employers PL43o40	£5. 00
Commercial Union Assce - Cllors Personal Accident Insce due 1/6/71	PZ4.64189	£3. 00
E.Kite,Clerk. for Audit stamp 31/3/71		£2. 00

Second ed by Cllor Mr. Richardson and unanimously agreed.

K.A.P.C. Circulars Nos 69 and 70 were read and discussed.

BUS SERVICES. Correspondence from the R.D.C. and East Kent Bus Co. relating to amendments to Timetable of No.1 Ashford to Canterbury Service and the suggestion that City Service 27 should be extended to Chilham was read and discussed.

RATEABLE VALUE. A letter from the RDC stated the R.V. of the parish on 1st April 1971 was £28,739. The Clerk said the product of a new penny rate would be £287.

AUDIT Notice of Audit of the Councils Accounts for year ending 31 March 1971 to commence on 14th June 1971 was received.

RIGHTS OF WAY. A letter dated 14 May from K.C.C. was received relating to the Review of Survey, Signposting & Waymarking of paths and maintenance of paths.

HIGHWAYS. Letters dated 14 May from the K.C.C. referred to the powers of Parish Councils to erect a small range of traffic signs and also to the purchase of road salt for use on approaches to parish halls etc but not on roads the responsibility of the highway authority.
Traffic Signs
Road
Salt
Decided no action be taken.

HIGHWAYS The Clerk reported that he had requested the Div. Surveyor Grass Verge to have the grass on the verge at junction of Grays Way and A.28 mowed. A letter of 21 May said matter would receive attention.

PLANNING. Roof conversion 42, Tonford Lane & Extension 108, Ashford Road.
A letter of 30 March from the RDC stated these were permitted developments under the T. & C.P. Acts but were subject to Building Regulation Applications which were approved.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS. One Planning Application was received, two permits were read and one refusal was received.

CLOSE There being no further business the Meeting was closed.

A. R. [Signature]
20th Aug. 1971