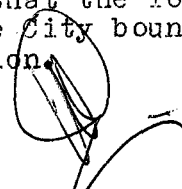


MINUTES of Parish Council Meeting held at Ashford Road Social Club, Thanington, Kent, on Friday, 22nd March 1968

- CHAIRMAN Cllor Mr. A.R.Palmer in the Chair.
- PRESENT Cllors Messrs A.R.Palmer, S.V.Jacobs, S. Filby, W.J.Knott, A.J. Apps, W.E.Bradshaw and Mrs V.C.Sanders.
- MINUTES The Minutes of the previous Meeting were confirmed and signed.
- HIGHWAYS A.28 It was reported that nothing had been done to the road except the surface water drains had been re-set. Cllor Mr. Jacobs said the water still formed large pools. The Clerk was instructed to write to the Divisional Surveyor K.C.C. again.
- Surface Water.
- Road outside Townsends Factor. Cllor Mr. Jacobs said that Mrs Swain of 120, Ashford Road still complained bitterly of the noise caused by lorries etc bumping over the re-instated cutting across the road opposite Townsends Factory. The Clerk was instructed to write the Divisional Surveyor thereon.
- RIGHTS OF WAY. It was decided to defer this matter until an inspection could be made of the broken stile etc.
- F.P.464
- Finger post Strangers Lane. F.P.464 Attention was called to the fact that the direction post in Strangers Lane indicating the footpath to Milton & Chartham had disappeared. It was appreciated that section of the F.P. was in the Canterbury area, but the Clerk was instructed to write to the City Engineer asking for the direction sign to be replaced.
- ELECTRICITY SUPPLY A letter dated 14th February from Seeboard stated that the first stage of a reinforcement scheme to improve supplies to New House Lane had been completed and the final stage would be done in near future. Another scheme had been authorised to reinforce supplies to Ashford Road area but the work could not be started until a sub-station site was acquired. Negotiations were proceeding to acquire such site.
- ACCOUNTS Cllor Mr. Bradshaw proposed that the following accounts be passed for payment:-
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| Ashford Road Social Club for hire of Hall for this Meeting and following Annual Assembly | £1. 10. -           |
| E.Kite. Clerk. Years salary  | £32. -              |
| Years postages etc   | - 18.11.            |
| Electors Lists   | - 1. 1.             |
| Notices of Parish Mtg  | - 1. -              |
| Nalgo Fidelity prem for Clerk  | - 3. -              |
| 1/3rd Telephone rental 64150 Mar Qr  | 1. 3. 4. £34. 7. 4. |
- Seconded by Cllor Mr. Filby and unanimously agreed.
- TONFORD LANE Housing Development A letter dated 9th February from the R.D.C.Engineer said the Developer of this estate suggested the road be called "Greys Way" and asked for observations. The Clerk explained that as a reply was wanted by 11th March he had consulted with the Chairman and had accordingly written the RDC that it was considered a better name would be "Greys Crescent". The Members confirmed the action of the Chairman.
- CONSERVATION AREAS. A letter dated 4th March from the RDC referred to the proposals for preservation of areas as distinct from buildings under the Civic Amenities Act 1967 and asked for any areas to be taken into consideration. The Clerk was instructed to write the RDC suggesting that the Tonford Marshes stretching from Milton Bridge to the City boundary might be considered the subject of designation.
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**DOG BYELAWS** A letter dated 26th February from the R.D.C. called attention to the penalty for contravention of the Dog Bye-law being increased from £5 to £20 under the Criminal Justice Act 1967 and asking if this Council required copies of the new Notice.

The Clerk said he had written for copies.

• Cllor Mrs Sanders said the fouling of the pavements was very bad in this parish and a particular bad spot was at the junction of Strangers Lane with A.28 where the childrens bus waited. This of course is within the City boundary but the City had a similar bye-law. The Clerk was instructed to write to the City Engineer to ask whether they could erect a Notice somewhere near the bottom of Strangers Lane, and also to send a copy of the RDC letter to the Vicar for inclusion in the Church Magazine.

**BEST KEPT VILLAGE COMPETION.** Entry forms were received from the K.A.P.C. Decided no action be taken.

**PUBLIC HEALTH** A letter dated 8th March from the Public Health Officer stated that the paper sack method of refuse collection would be introduced in this parish in May 1968 and a circular letter explaining the operation would be sent to the occupant of each house.

**A.28** The Clerk called attention to the fact that the City Speed Limit, Authorities were evidently preparing to bring the 40 m.p.h. limit into effect shortly as the notice standards had been erected near the Waterworks end of A.28 and at the junction of Strangers Lane with A.28. Upon enquiry it was not certain whether the K.C.C. were going to bring the limit into operation simultaneously, but the Clerk said he had written to the County Surveyor for information. Only an acknowledging card had been received.

The Clerk said he had heard that residents of Tonford Lane were complaining of the excessive speed of vehicles going down Tonford Lane. The Chairman said he would bring the matter up at the R.D.C. Road Safety Committee meeting.

**BRIDGE BLEAN** A letter dated 11th March from the R.D.C. asked whether any amendments were required to the existing entry in the Guide Book relating to Thanington Without. Decided no alterations required.

**PLANNING APPLICATIONS.** Three applications were received and discussed. In regard to the application for three garages adjoining Reed Cottage, the Chairman said he had asked the Clerk to inform the R.D.C. that the granting of such application would increase the existing danger from an access to the bend in the road approaching the Hanging Banks on the A,28 road.

**HARRIS CHARITY ACCOUNTS.** The Accounts to the 5th February 1968 were produced and agreed, having been examined with the Vouchers etc by the Clerk.

**ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING.** It was decided to hold this Meeting on Friday 31st May 1968 at 8 p.m. at the Clerks house.

**~~EXCESSY~~**

**Mr. H.A.Todd** The Chairman called attention to the recent death of former Councillor. Mr. H.A.Todd who was for very many years a member of this Council until he had to retire on account of ill-health. The Clerk was instructed to write a letter of sympathy to Mrs Todd.

**CLOSE** There being no further business the Meeting was closed.

*Handwritten signature and date:*  
A. H. Amulett  
10th March 1968