

MINUTES of Parish Council Meeting held at 123, Ashford Road, Thanington, Kent, on Thursday, 30th January 1969.

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

PRESENT Cllors Messrs A.R.Palmer, S.V.Jacobs, W.J.Knott, W.E.Bradshaw, S. Filby and Mrs V.C.Sanders.

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

HIGHWAYS A letter dated 28th Jan from the Div. Surveyor stated the results of skid tests had been sent to County Surveyor who decided no action should be taken at present. Decided to write the County Surveyor for his reasons for that decision and to point out cracks were appearing in walls and ceilings of many houses, believed to be caused by heavy vehicles bumping over uneven road surface.

A.28 Outside Townsends. A letter dated 28th Jan from Div. Surveyor stated Mr. Howland had agreed to a soakaway on his land and an item had been included in Surface Water the 1969/70 estimates.

STREET LIGHTING. Estimates were received from Seaboard for a complete street lighting scheme comprising 56 lamps for the whole parish at the cost of £2295. 0. 6. The scheme was discussed in detail and it was decided to put the estimates before the Annual Assembly of the Parish Meeting to obtain the wishes of the parishioners before holding a Special Parish Meeting.

A letter dated 9th January from the County Surveyor stated the present position of priority for the County lighting main roads was still the same, namely A.28 was not yet on the list,

TELEPHONE KIOSK. A letter dated 6th Novr acknowledged this Council's report of damage to the Telephone apparatus. Cllor Mr. Knott said it had been repaired very quickly but was now out of action again. Decided to obtain the observations of the Telephone Manager on possibility of moving the Kiosk to a site in New House Lane.

ACCOUNTS Cllor Mr. Jacobs proposed that the following accounts be passed for payment:-
Parochial Church Council of Thanington - contribution towards surgery of Yew Tree £25. - -
E.Kite. Clerk. 1/3rd Telephone rental charge 64150 Decr. quarter £1. 6. 8.
Seconded by Cllor Mr. Bradshaw and unanimously agreed.

EAST KENT BUS SERVICES The Clerk reported on the correspondence with RDC and East Kent Bus Co. regarding alteration to Services 1 and 22 to one-man operation buses with consequent alteration of time-tables. The most recent proposals were that such changes should come into operation on 25th May. Decided no objection to the proposed alterations.

SCHOOL GOVERNOR. Cllor Mr. Filby proposed that Cllor Mr. Palmer be asked to stand again for the next three years as a Governor of Wincheap County Primary School. Mr. Palmer agreed and the proposition was seconded by Cllor Mr. Bradshaw, and agreed.

RIGHTS OF WAY. Letters from K.C.C. stated that a Special Parish Meeting Review. must be held for the purpose of considering the information of Survey to be provided for the purposes of the Survey. Decided to hold the Special Meeting at 7.30 p.m. on Thursday 27th March.

K.A.P.C. Circular 62 dated 10th January was read and discussed.

K.A.P.C. Cllors Messrs Palmer and Filby reported that they had
Ann.Gen.Mtg. attended the Annual General Meeting on 19th October
when the discussions were mostly about the proposed
new London Airport.

AUDIT Notice of Audit for the year ended 31 Mar 1968 to
commence on 3rd March was received from District
Auditor.

HIGHWAYS A letter dated 29th Jan received from J.Marshall of
& Bus Shelter 187, Ashford Road asked for the provision of a
Bus Shelter on A.28 opposite Townsends Factory.
Matter discussed and decided to obtain the views
of householders of the houses in front of which such
a shelter would be placed. A letter to be sent to
Mr. Marshall that the Council were looking into matter

PRECEPT Estimates for the year ending 31 March 1970 having been
supplied to each Councillor, it was proposed by Cllor
Mrs Sanders that a precept for £50 be made on the R.D.C.
for year ending 31 Mar 1970. Seconded by Cllor Mr.Jacobs
and agreed.

GARDEN WEEDS & HEDGES It was brought to the notice of the Council that the
weeds and grass in the garden of the empty house 130
Nuisance. Ashford Road were overgrown and would be a nuisance to
adjoining properties by spreading weed seeds. Also the
hedge fronting the pavement of A.28 was beginning to grow
out over the pavement to the annoyance of people using the
pavement. Decided to write to Mr. S.N.Crouch of Hill
House, Bakers Lane, Chartham, the owner of the house, asking
him to cut down weeds and brush back hedge.

HIGHWAYS Cllor Mr. Jacobs said that one or two people had walked into
40 mp.h. the "intermediate" 40 m.p.h. sign outside of 153, Ashford
Traffic Road during the hours of darkness. Decided to write to
Sign. Div. Surveyor asking for the sign to be moved back to
the rear edge of the pavement.

PLANNING APPLICATION. One application was received and discussed.

ANNUAL ASSEMBLY It was decided to hold the Annual Assembly of the
Parish Meeting at 8 p.m. on Thursday 27th March at Ashford
Road Social Clubhouse, preceded by a Parish Council Meeting
at 8 p.m. on Tuesday 25th March at 123, Ashford Road.

CLOSE There being no further business the Meeting was closed.

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25th March 1969