

MINUTES of Parish Council Meeting held at 123, Ashford Road, Thanington, Kent, on Friday, 15th August 1969.

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- CHAIRMAN Cllor Mr. A.R. Palmer in the Chair.
- PRESENT Cllors Messrs A.R. Palmer, S.V. Jacobs, W.J. Knott, A.B. Richardson, A.J. Apps and Mrs V.C. Sanders.
- ABSENCE Apology for absence was received from Cllor Mr. W.E. Bradshaw.
- MINUTES The Minutes of the previous Meeting were confirmed and signed.
- HIGHWAYS A.28 The Clerk reported that no reply had been received from the County Surveyor to this Council's letter of 1st June except an acknowledgment card. The Clerk was instructed to write again asking for the County Surveyors comments and also calling attention again to the large amount of surface water laying along the whole length of A.28.
- Uneven road.
- Surface water.
- TONFORD LANE .A letter dated 31st July from the R.D.C. stated they could not support a request for a speed limit, but asked whether the Parish Council would be in favour of restricting the use of Tonford Lane and Grays Way to one way traffic. Matter discussed and the clerk was instructed to write to the RDC in favour of restricting the use of Tonford Lane and Grays Way to one way traffic, with a suggestion that traffic should enter Tonford Lane from the A.28 but this would not prevent speeding down Tonford Lane.
- Speed Limit
- One way traffic.
- HIGHWAYS Repair It was reported that Tonford Lane was in a bad state of repair particularly so in the first 20 to 30 yards from its junction with A.28. The Clerk was instructed to write to the Div. Surveyor to ask for repairs to be effected.
- Tonford Ln
- Nettles on verge. It was also reported that on the right hand side of the north end of Tonford Lane near the approach to the Bridge the verge is extremely untidy with growth of nettles and grass near the fence of Mr. Abbott, 50, Tonford Lane. Decided to write the Div. Surveyor asking for this to be tidied up.
- New House Lane. Cllors Messrs Knott and Apps reported that the K.C.C. had made a good job of removing the offending kerb stones and re-surfacing the corner at the junction of New House Close with New House Lane. Clerk was instructed to write to the Divisional Surveyor thanking him for making such a good job so promptly.
- Kerbstones.
- New House Lane. It was reported that there was a piece of angle iron sticking up from the surface at the side of New House Lane opposite No. 37. The iron is embedded firmly in the ground and was sticking up some 4 to 6 inches. Decided to ask the Div. Surveyor to have this removed as it was dangerous.
- Angle iron in road.
- RIGHTS OF WAY It was reported that the overgrowing foliage was being Elevated F.P. brushed back by the K.C.C. this week.
- LOCAL GOVERNMENT A letter dated 30th July from the K.A.P.C. with Extract New System. from the Redcliffe-Maud Report and draft N.A.P.C. Statement were discussed and the clerk was instructed to write to the K.A.P.C. that the Parish Council supported the Report and draft Statement.
- STREET LIGHTING. In view of the Redcliffe-Maud Report it was decided to defer the question of Street Lighting until the meeting of the Parish Council and Parish Meeting next March.
- TELEPHONE KIOSK. A letter dated 4th June from the G.P.O. stated that it appeared that the modifications made to the coinbox had proved effective in combating vandalism and it was not proposed to re-site the kiosk.
- New House Lane.
- BUS SERVICES. Notification was received of the withdrawal of Service 27 Boxing Day. (amongst others) on Boxing Day on account of little demand.

ACCOUNTS - Cllor Mr. Knott proposed that the following accounts be passed for payment:-  
 A. Bell (Bookbinders) Ltd 100 Agendas 200 letterheads £4. 6. 6.  
 E. Kite, Clerk. 1/3rd. telephone rental  
     64150 June quarter. £1. 6. 8.  
     7 copies Electors lists  
     for Cllors 26 Mar 1969 - 5. 1. £1.11. 9.  
 Proposal seconded by Cllor Mr. Jacobs and unanimously agreed.

HIGHWAYS  
 Wayside  
 Seat. The question of the provision of a wayside seat on the piece of verge land at the western corner of the junction of Grays Way with A.28 was discussed. Decided to write to the K.C.C. to ask whether they would permit a seat to be sited on the land and it was also being considered whether a seat could be installed somewhere at the southern extremity of the Elevated Footpath if the K.C.C. would permit the same. Also decided to ask whether it would be possible to buy these seats through the County Council purchasing department.

PLANNING APPLICATION. One Planning application was received and discussed together with two permissions for development.

CLOSE There being no further business the Meeting was closed.

*A. R. Knott*  
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