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MINUTES of Parish Council Meeting held at 123, Ashford Road,  
Thanington, Kent, on Monday, 1st December 1969.

- CHAIRMAN** Cllor Mr. A.R.Palmer in the Chair.
- PRESENT** Cllors Messrs A.R.Palmer, S.V.Jacobs, W.J.Knott, A.J.Apps,  
A.B.Richardson, W.E.Bradshaw and Mrs V.C.Sanders.
- MINUTES** The Minutes of the previous Meeting were confirmed and signed.
- HIGHWAYS**  
**A.28**  
**Townsend's.**  
**Surface**  
**Water** A letter dated 18th Septr from the County Surveyor stated he had further investigated the matter of the uneven road and would not have thought that the condition of the road would have been the reason for the trouble (i.e. vibration and cracks in walls) experienced in adjacent houses. Regarding the run off of surface water the County Surveyor agreed this was not satisfactory but the cost of remedial measures was such as to be prohibitive for the time being. Matter discussed and decided the Members were not satisfied with the County Surveyors letter regarding vibration. Clerk instructed to write him again giving names of other residents who were complaining.
- TONFORD LANE.** The Chairman said he had attended a site meeting on 21st  
**Speed Limit** October when it was decided to recommend a one way traffic system between Grays Way and the junction of Tonford Lane with A.28 preventing traffic passing from north to south in that section of Tonford Lane.
- HIGHWAYS**  
**Tonford Ln**  
**Repairs.**  
**Nettles.** A letter from the Div. Surveyor dated 28th August stated the matter of repairs and overgrowing nettles would received attention. Reported nothing had been done. Clerk instructed to write Div. Surveyor again.
- HIGHWAYS**  
**New Hse Ln.**  
**Angle Iron.** Cllors Messrs Knott and Apps reported that nothing had been done to remove this piece of iron. A letter dated 28th August from the Div. Surveyor said the matter would receive attention. Decided to write the Div. Surveyor again.
- WAYSIDE**  
**Seats.** A letter dated 19th Septr from the County Surveyor stated the Div. Surveyor would arrange a site meeting. The Clerk reported that he had spoken to Mr. Bragg on telephone who said he was satisfied with the sites and would report to the County but the matter would have to wait until the adoption of Grays Way, including the piece of verge land, by the K.C.C. Catalogues of seat designs and prices were considered. Decided to defer matter until the New Year.
- ACCOUNTS** Cllor Mrs Sanders proposed that the following account be passed for payment:-  
E.Kite. Clerk.  $\frac{1}{2}$  years salary to 30 Sep £19. - -  
One third telephone rental  
charge at 64150 Sep Qr 1. 6. 8. £20. 6. 8.  
Seconded by Cllor Mr. Richardson and unanimously agreed.
- SERVICES for** A letter from the RDC dated 21st Aug asked for list of  
**Elderly People.** organisations in the parish to enable Dr. Harvey the MOH to contact the same for details of services they provide for elderly people. The Clerk said he had written the RDC with the list. Decided to ask the Revd. Skepper to put a note in the Church Magazine to the effect that the local representative of the W.R.V.S. was Mrs V.C.Sanders of 24, Bramley Avenue, Thanington.
- PUBLIC TOILETS.** A letter from the RDC asked if a purpose built public convenience was required in this parish. The cost of such a toilet would be about £4000. Decided to inform the RDC this was not required in this parish.
- BUS SERVICES.** A letter from the RDC with letter of 6th Novr from E.K. Bus Co. gave a list of the services which would be suspended on Good Fridays, which included Service 27.
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**HIGHWAYS** It was reported that prior to the resurfacing of the section of  
**A.28** A.28 between Reed Cottage and Milton Bridge there were double  
**Double** white lines on the bend near Reed Cottage and single white line  
**White** from there to Milton Bridge. These had not been re-marked.  
**Lines.** The matter was discussed and it was also considered that double  
 white line markings should be placed over Milton Bridge.  
 The Clerk was instructed to write to the Div. Surveyor thereon.

**HIGHWAYS** The Clerk reported that his attention had been called to three  
**K.C.C.** trees in the K.C.C. lay-by at the Hanging Banks, which were  
**Lay-by.** apparently dead and could be a danger if they rotted and fell  
**Dead Trees.** across the road. The Clerk was instructed to write to  
 the Div. Surveyor with a view to having the trees cut down, and  
 also to request that the considerable amount of litter in the  
**Litter** Lay-by be cleared up.

**HIGHWAYS** Complaints were received of the uneven state of the paving stones  
**A.28** on the pavement on north side of Ashford Rd between City boundary  
**Pavement** and entrance to Thanington Court near Grays Way junction. As  
 this pavement is within the City the Clerk was instructed to  
 write to the City Engineer.

**PRECEPT** The Chairman proposed that an additional precept for the year  
 ending 31st March 1970 amounting to Twenty five pounds be made  
 on the R.D.C. Seconded by Cllor Mr. Bradshaw and unanimously  
 agreed.

**HARRIS CHARITY** Cllor Mr. Knott proposed that the Chairman Cllor Mr. A.R.  
**Trustee** Palmer be appointed this Council's Trustee for the 4 years from  
 4th November 1969 in connection with the Harish Charity.  
 Seconded by Cllor Mr. Jacobs and agreed.

**PLANNING APPLICATIONS.** Three applications were received and discussed.

**HIGHWAYS** Cllors Messrs Knott and Apps called attention to the Halt sign  
**New House Ln.** and road markings at the junction of New House Lane and  
**Halt** Hollow Lane. They were of opinion that the present arrange-  
**markings.** ment was wrong and dangerous and that the Halt markings should be  
 to prevent vehicles coming direct from Iffin Lane, in other words  
 making New House Lane - Hollow Lane the major road. The Clerk  
 was instructed to write to the Div. Surveyor thereon and ask for a  
 site meeting, with Cllors Messrs Knott and Apps.

**New House Lane.** Cllors Messrs Knott and Apps said that more and more  
**narrow section** difficulty is being experienced in the narrow section of  
**at west end.** New House lane between approx 73 New House Lane and the  
 end of the built up area near Kings Farm entrance. Larger  
 lorries are being used over this road and they cannot pass each  
 other and it appeared that widening of the road was essential.  
 Decided to write to the Div. Surveyor and ask for a similar site  
 meeting.

**HIGHWAYS.** Cllor Mr. Knott called attention to the difficulty motorists have  
**Hollow Ln.** in driving out of Hollow Lane into Wincheap Street between 8.30  
**access** and about 9.15 a.m. and between 5.30 and 6 p.m. because the  
**into** continual flow of traffic in Wincheap would not allow vehicles to  
**Wincheap.** come out of Hollow Lane. Decided to write to the Town Clerk,  
 Canterbury thereon.

**PUBLIC HEALTH.** Cllor Mr. Richardson reported that there was a strong smell  
**Sewage** of sewage in the vicinity of No. 10 Grays Way. It was thought to  
**Grays Way** come from a manhole sited in the right of way at rear of the  
 houses. The Clerk was instructed to write to the Senior Public  
 Health Officer to ask him to investigate the matter.

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

*W. J. Adams*  
 4<sup>th</sup> Feb. 1970.