

MINUTES of Parish Council Meeting held at 123, Ashford Road, Thanington, Kent, on Wednesday 21st October 1970.

CHAIRMAN

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

PRESENT

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

MINUTES

The Minutes of the previous Meeting were confirmed and signed.

HIGHWAYS

A.28  
Mr. Townsends

A letter dated 2nd July from the County Surveyor stated that further investigations showed that although the irregular surface of the road would cause traffic noise it is unlikely that existing soil conditions were such that vibrations would be transmitted to an extent sufficient to cause structural damage to adjacent property, but remedial works to the surface were in hand.

HIGHWAYS

Tonford Ln  
Nettles

It was reported that the tarmac which had been removed from the surface of the north side of A.28 had been filled in on the approach to the old ford and this of course had covered the nettles, and the nettles on the side of the footpath were in the process of being brushed down.

WAYSIDE SEATS.

It was reported that the two seats had been received and installed. A letter from the RDC referred to a complaint from Mrs P. Cooper of 27 Grays Way that the seat at Grays Way was surrounded by long grass and also on the opposite corner the grass around the electricity boards generator was untidy. The Chairman said he had managed to arrange for the grass to be cut around the seat.

The Clerk said that only a small part of the opposite corner belonged to Seeboard on which the generator stood, the remainder of the land would probably be taken over by the K.C.C. when Grays Way was adopted and the K.C.C. could then be asked to tidy it up.

HIGHWAYS

Milton Bridge  
White lines

A letter dated 11th June from the County Surveyor confirmed that double white lines would be laid over Milton Bridge as requested. The Clerk reported that the lines had been laid.

HIGHWAYS

Trees in  
Layby

The Clerk reported that the dead trees in the Hanging Banks lay-by had been cut down.

HIGHWAYS

New House Ln  
Halt signs.

A letter dated 2nd June from the Div. Surveyor stated that Halt signs were not now erected, the signs now being Give Way and Stop. It had been agreed by the Engineering Section that Give Way signs and road markings would be placed at the New House Lane Hollow Lane junctions.

Cllors Messrs Knott and Apps said the road markings had been laid but they still considered the give way should be imposed on the traffic coming from the Iffin Lane direction, and they would like to meet the Div. Surveyor again on the site to explain the matter. Clerk instructed to write the Div. Surveyor for an appointment.

New House Lane.

Surface Water.

Cllors Messrs Knott and Apps stated that most of the water running down New House Lane by-passed the drain and flowed on. Here again they would like to meet the Div. Surveyor to explain the trouble. Clerk instructed to write the Div. Surveyor thereon.

HIGHWAYS

G.P.O.  
Manholes.

The Clerk was instructed to inform the Div. Surveyor that the surround of the manhole outside 4 New House Lane was in a poor state and needed attention.

It was also reported that there were three manhole covers on the pavement along A.28 near 153 Ashford Road and on the east side of the layby entrance to Ashford Rd Social Club. Clerk instructed to write to the Div. Surveyor thereon.

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- HIGHWAYS  
Hollow Lane  
Chalk. Cllor Mr. Knott reported that a considerable amount of chalk had slipped into the road from the bank on the east side and was a danger to motorists. Clerk instructed to write to the Div. Surveyor for this to be removed.
- HIGHWAYS  
Overhanging  
foliage.  
Grays Way. Cllor Mr. Richardson said he had ~~received~~ <sup>received</sup> complaints that the hedge on the east side of Grays Way between the junction with A.28 and the first bungalow was overhanging the pavement considerably to the nuisance of pedestrians. The Clerk was requested to write to the Divisional Surveyor thereon.
- RIGHTS OF WAY  
F.P.464 Correspondence from the RDC stated that Mr. Jack Read was still bothered as to the way he considered this footpath was being obstructed. The Clerk suggested that he should get in touch with Jack Read and ask him to meet the Council at the site to discuss the matter. Agreed that this should be ~~done~~.
- ACCOUNTS  
Cllor Mr. Knott proposed that the following accounts should be paid and also that the payment of the premium of £3 on 1st June to Commercial Union Assurance Co. for Councillors personal accident insurance be confirmed.
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| Teale Bros Ltd. For 2 Reephon 6ft park seats with lugs, providing concrete rafts & installing | £55. 2. 6.                 |
| E.Kite. Clerk. Half years salary to 30 Sept.  | £19. - -                   |
| 1/3rd Telephone rental 64150  |                            |
| June Qr   | £1.6.8.                    |
| Ditto Sep Qr  | <u>£1.17.9.</u> £22. 4. 5. |
- Seconded by Cllor Mr. Apps and unanimously agreed.
- HIGHWAYS  
Street  
Cleansing A letter dated 4 June from the RDC stated the R.D.C. had decided to take no further action regarding implementation of a street cleansing service.
- RATEABLE VALUE. A letter from the RDC stated the Rateable Value of the parish on 1 April 1970 was £28914. Product of 1d rate was £120. 9/-.
- STREET LIGHTING  
A.28 Correspondence from the County Surveyor confirmed that the street lighting system for A.28 would be carried out and asking if the parish council wished the lighting columns to be painted a different colour than the usual silver. Decided to inform the K.C.C. that silver colour ~~is~~ would be satisfactory.
- DOG BYELAWS. A copy of the new consolidated order of the K.C.C. relating to the fouling of footways by ~~dogs~~ was received.
- TONFORD LANE.  
One-way Order. A copy of the Tonford Lane one way order which came into operation on 22nd July was received from the K.C.C.
- RIGHTS OF WAY.  
Review. Notice was received from the K.C.C. that the extracts from the draft Revision of the Special Review of Rights of Way would be received by the Clerk shortly for inspection by the public as from 6th November.
- SUBSCRIPTIONS  
K.A.P.C In a letter dated 17th Septr from K.A.P.C. it was stated that at the meeting of the KAPC on 17th Octr a resolution to increase subscriptions from 1st April 1971 would be considered. The Clerk said this would mean that this Council's subscription would be £8. 8/- instead of the present £5. 5/-.
- PLANNING APPLICATIONS. Eight Applications were received and discussed.
- CLOSE There being no further business the meeting was closed.

*W. Palmer*  
28/11/71

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