

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held at the Ashford Road Social Club House, Ashford Road, Thanington, Without, on Monday, 11th September, 1978 at 8 pm.

PRESENT: Councillors Mr. W. Bradshaw, Mr. S. V. Jacobs, Mr. W. Knott, Mr. K. McMillan, Mr. A. R. Palmer, Mrs. M. Kite, Mrs. V. Sanders.

CHAIRMAN: Councillor Mr. A. R. Palmer.

APOLOGIES: There were none.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING where confirmed and signed.

PROPOSED LIGHTING OF THE ELEVATED FOOTPATH IN HOLLOW LANE: Councillor Mr. K. McMillan reported that he had communicated with Seaboard who had assessed that the necessary work to light the entire footpath would cost approximately £5,000. After consideration, it was agreed that a light at each end would not be sufficient and it was agreed that the matter be held in abeyance. It was possible that the new road would be provided with lights which would help the situation.

LOCAL LOTTERY: Cheque for £100 received and banked.

PROPOSED LIGHT BY THE TELEPHONE KIOSK at junction of Hollow Lane/New House Lane. Councillor Mr. K. McMillan reported that completion in the new future was awaited.

"THANINGTON WITHOUT" signs: These had been repaired and repainted by Mr. S. Fuller. LITTER BIN. The Chairman reported that these were still awaited.

EAST KENT ROAD CAR COL LTD. A further letter received that the late night services Canterbury/Ashford and Ashford/Canterbury would not be curtailed.

CONDITION OF ROAD SURFACE: Acknowledgement received from Canterbury City Council but nothing had been done yet. A further letter to be sent.

PARISH COUNCIL BOARD: Councillor Mr. W. Bradshaw reported that this needed renewing. It was suggested that the new one should be made larger. The matter to be brought up again at the next meeting, after the Chairman had talked to the Vicar, and also had made enquiries as to whether planning permission would be needed if the board was sited at the top of Grays Way.

PAYMENTS: It was proposed by Councillor Mr. W. Bradshaw, seconded by Councillor Mrs. V. Sanders and carried, that the following payments be made: Seaboard - confirmation - Energy charge £31.70. Mr. S. Fuller for repairing and repainting signs - £8 Miss Eyles, Clerk, two thirds of telephone rental - £5.18

PLANNING APPLICATIONS:

Bungalow adjacent to Wistaria Cottage, Iffen Lane - No objections.  
Vehicular access across pavement 133 Ashford Rd. - No objections.  
Additions and alteration, 12 New House Lane - No objections.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS GRANTED:

New Dormer window at Thanington Court  
Extention - 71 New House Lane  
Bungalow adjacent to Wistaria Cottage, Iffen Lane  
Extention - 23 Tonford Lane.  
Vehicular access - 142 Ashford Rd.  
Bungalow and garage between 163/137 Ashford Rd.

CORRESPONDENCE: Enquiry from Canterbury City Council for surplus land for building purposes. The Parish Council has nothing available.

KENT ASSOCIATION OF PARISH COUNCILS:

AGM on 30th September - noted.  
Increase in subscription - noted.  
Action taken on resolutions - noted.  
31st Annual Report - noted.  
Kent Conservation Volunteers - noted.

NEWS RELEASES: Canterbury Radio Station and bonfire problems - noted.

ANY OTHER BUSINES:

Councillor Mr. S. V. Jacobs drew attention to the overgrown hedge and willow tree at the corner of Tonford Lane. After discussion, it was agreed that the Clerk write again to Mrs. Eastwood asking for her consent for the Volunteer Bureau to be asked to assist with this work. The Volunteer Bureau had assisted in 1977.

Thanington Without WI had generously offered to clean up and keep tidy the small plot of grass where the seat and tree are at the top of Grays Way. This was much appreciation and a letter of appreciation to be sent to the WI members. The Chairman kindly agreed to approach the City Engineer with a view to getting the longer grass and weeds cut with a grass cutter before the WI took over.

Councillor Mrs. V. Sanders drew attention to the mud which washed down on the path at the corner of Strangers Lane where the new fence had been made.

Councillor Mr. S. Jacobs drew attention to the parking of a van and mopeds on the pavement outside 170 Ashford Road, which forced pedestrians to walk in the road. There is a double white line in this area. The City Police to be asked to attend to this.

Councillor Mr. S. Jacobs had noted a road sweeper with this broom tied to his bike walking up the Ashford Road on the left hand side on one day and on the right hand side the following day, yet nothing had appeared to have been attended to.

Councillor Mr. S. Jacobs reported that the roadway from the railway crossing up to ~~Thanington Court Farm~~ had been resurfaced, making it so much better for walking. *Tonford Manor*

Councillor Mr. K. McMillan had been approached by a resident in New House Close asking whether a 'cul de sac' sign could be placed at the entrance. Concern was felt for children playing in The Close when cars turned in. The Chairman kindly agreed to ascertain whether these signs were available. Notice was also drawn to the overgrown footpath between New House Lane and Cocking Road. It was felt that lack of use was the cause.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Monday, 9th October, 1978 at 8 pm, at Ashford Road Social Club House.

There being no other business the meeting was closed.

*S. V. Jacobs*  
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