

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held at the Ashford Road Social Club House, Ashford Road, Thanington Without, on Monday, 9th June 1980 at 8 pm.

PRESENT: Councillors Mr. E. Kite, Mr. W. Knott, Mr. A. R. Palmer, Mesdames M. Kite, V. Sanders, Miss S. Knott and three other Local Government electors.

APOLOGIES: There were none.

VACANCY: The Clerk had ascertained that no names had gone forward to the Chief City Executive to fill the vacancy, and the Parish Council could now co-opt to fill the vacancy.

The Chairman, Councillor Mr. A. R. Palmer, then introduced Mr. C. Day and proposed that he be elected. Councillor Mrs. V. Sanders seconded the proposition and it was carried.

Councillor Mr. C. Day then made the Declaration of Office, which was confirmed and signed.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING ON MINUTES:

CROSSING GATES AT TONFORD: No further information received.

CHARTHAM PARISH COUNCIL: No reply received re light at corner of Howfield Lane.

LARKEY VALLEY WOODS: The item in the local Press was noted, but no information received from the City Council.

PARISH REVIEW: No reply yet received.

ST. NICHOLAS CHURCH PCC: Letter of appreciation for our support received from the Vicar.

INSURANCE: Insurance cover had been increased to include all lights and seats etc. Additional premium to be £13.12 pa.

PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS:

Commercial Union	£13.12
K.A.P.C. subscription and literature	35.50
St. Nicholas Church, hire of hall	3.00

It was proposed by Councillor Miss S. Knott, seconded by Councillor Mr. E. Kite and carried, that these be paid.

CORRESPONDENCE:

House of Commons Transport Committee. Inquiry into the Channel Link. Noted.

Chartham Parish Council. Copy of letter which they had sent to the Divisional Surveyor of Kent County Council re road conditions at Milton Bridge. Noted.

Boundary Commission. Electoral Review. Noted.

Seeboard. Schedule of maintenance work in June. Noted.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS:

162 Ashford Road. Erection of garage. *No objection*

133 Ashford Road. Extension to kitchen and erection of carport.

As any objections had to be lodged prior to the date of this meeting, the Clerk had consulted with the Chairman and no objections lodged.

This action confirmed.

Previous applications. 31 Grays Way. Outline permission granted.

K.A.P.C. Circular noted.

Kent Waymark. Noted.

STREET LIGHTING AT NEW HOUSE LANE:

Wayleave for column unit. Wayleave permission refused by Mr. Clarke, 4 New House Lane and Mr. Evans, 5 New House Lane.

After discussion, it was agreed that as the secret ballot had resulted in a 2 to 1 majority in favour of street lighting, the scheme should go ahead with revisions.

It was proposed by Councillor Mr. W. Knott, seconded by Councillor Mr. E. Kite and carried, that line pole units should be installed as follows

Outside No. 30; Outside St. Faith's Hall; outside No. 43; outside No. 53. Wayleave permission to be obtained from Mr. Smith at No. 53 Seeboard to be asked for a further revised quotation.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

Councillor Mrs. V. Sanders reported that the two lights at the Ashford Road end of Strangers Lane were not working. As the bus stop there affected residents in Thanington Without, the City Engineer to be asked to deal with this matter.

Councillor Mr. E. Kite reported that one slat on the gate at Tonford Level crossing was missing and a second one broken off. A letter to be written to British Railways at Canterbury West Station.

Following this report the question of barriers was again discussed. The Clerk had again written to Kent County Council but had still not received a reply. As much concern was felt, it was agreed that Councillor Mr. L. Shirley, our representative on Kent County Council should be contacted. Details to be sent to Councillor Mr. L. Shirley and he to be asked to press for a reply to our communications.

Footpath No. 490 Cocking Road to New House Lane. Councillor Mr. W. Knott reported that he had been approached by a resident who had tried to walk this pathway, but had been unable to do so as it was now very overgrown. A letter to be written to the City Engineer asking for it to be cleared. Proposition made by Councillor Mr. W. Knott, seconded by Councillor Mr. E. Kite and carried.

Overhanging branches of trees. It had been noted that branches of trees at Nos. 146 and 150 Ashford Road were now overhanging the pathway. Letter to be written to the householders concerned.

Litter dumped at corner of Grays Way by electricity sub station. A pram and various items dumped there some time ago and still not removed. A letter to be written to the City Engineer asking for these to be removed and the site tidied.

LOCAL SPEED LIMITS. Report received from Canterbury City Council for information. It was recorded that the higher speed limits had not resulted in more accidents.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Monday, 14th July, 1980 at 8 pm.

There being no other business the meeting was closed.

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