

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held at the Ashford Road Social Club House, Ashford Road, Thanington Without, on Monday, 11th August 1980 at 8 pm.

PRESENT: Councillors Mr. C. Day, Mr. E. Kite, Mr. W. Knott, Mr. A. R. Palmer, Mesdames M. Kite, V. Sanders, Miss S. Knott, 6 Local Government Electors and Councillor Mr. L. R. Bennet, (C'bury City Council).

APOLOGIES: There were none.

CHAIRMAN: Councillor Mr. A. R. Palmer in the Chair.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING were amended, confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING:

CROSSING GATES AT TONFORD: Barriers had been erected by Kent County Council, but had almost immediately been vandalised. Kent County Council had been informed and as it was a case of vandalism, the City Police had also been informed. The barriers had since been re-erected.

CHARTHAM PARISH COUNCIL: As no reply had been received regarding the piece of land at the bottom of Howfield Lane and the lamp column, it is assumed that Chartham Parish Council wish to take no further action.

LARKEY VALLEY WOODS: No further information had been received from C'bury City Council regarding the motor cycle scrambling nuisance. Councillor Mr. L. R. Bennett reported that this was on the agenda for a forthcoming City Council Sub Committee meeting; a letter had been received by the City Council regarding horse riding in the woods and it was likely that it would be banned.

PARISH REVIEW: No reply yet.

BROKEN GATES AT TONFORD LEVEL CROSSING: These had been repaired but had immediately vandalised again. British Railways Permanent Way Inspector had reported to the Clerk, that iron gates would be installed to replace the wooden ones, in an attempt to prevent further vandalism.

LITTER DUMPED AT CORNER OF GRAYS WAY: A further letter to be written to the City Engineer.

PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS: It was proposed by Councillor Miss S. Knott, seconded by Councillor Mr. E. Kite and carried, that the account for Audit Fee amounting to ~~£1955~~ £19.55 should be paid.

ANNUAL AUDIT: The Clerk reported that all books were in order.

CORRESPONDENCE:

LOCAL LOTTERY: Letter received from Canterbury City Council explaining the Council's policy for the distribution of proceeds to rural areas. The present objective is to improve the sporting and leisure facilities. The present amount allocated to each Parish Council area is £1,430 which it is hoped will be increased with the continuing success of the lottery. To date £1,200 had been allocated to this Parish Council, leaving a balance of £230. This was noted.

TREE PLANTING CAMPAIGN. Price list of trees received from Waterers of Bagshot.

LIGHTING IN NEW HOUSE LANE: Amended quotations received as follows:-

To supplying and erecting four outreach pole brackets, etc.

£613.25

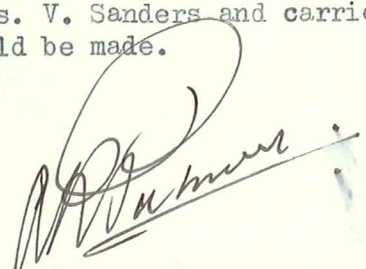
To installing the necessary services

£ 72.00

It was proposed by Councillor Mr. W. Knott, seconded by Councillor Mr. E. Kite and carried, that these quotations be accepted.

Wayleave consents to be drawn up; Councillor Mr. W. Knott kindly consenting to see the householders to get them signed.

To cover the cost of installation, it was proposed by Councillor Mr. E. Kite, seconded by Councillor Mrs. V. Sanders and carried, that an addition Precept for £700 should be made.



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ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

Councillor Mrs. M. Kite reported that the potholes around the manhole covers outside No. 121 Ashford Road were now extremely large and the noise from motor traffic passing over them was now heard over a wide distance. It was noted that similar conditions existing outside No. 141 Ashford Road. It was agreed to ask the City Engineer to put these repairs on the list for re-instatement as soon as the financial position permits.

KENT ASSOCIATION OF PARISH COUNCILS AREA MEETING: Councillor Mr. E. Kite and Councillor Mr. W. Knott had attended the recent meeting. Mr. Fagg had been elected Chairman in place of the late Councillor Mr. F. Montgomery. It was reported that the K.A.P.C. subscription would increase by approx. 10% for 1981/82. The City Treasurer had attended the meeting and had given an interesting talk on the City Councils financial position.

COUNCILLOR MR. C. DAY enquired whether consideration might be given to the provision of a bus shelter at the bus stop adjacent to Grays Way. It was agreed that this be put on the Agenda for the next meeting.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Monday, 1st September, 1980 at 8 pm.

There being no other business, the Meeting was closed.

W. Knott
1st September
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