

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held at the Ashford Road Social Club House, Ashford Road, Thanington Without, on Monday, 8th October 1984 at 8 pm.

PRESENT: Councillors Mr. C. H. Day, Mr. C. H. Church, Mr. G. Page, Mrs. M. Kite, Mrs. V. Sanders, Mrs. J. Woods, Miss S. Knott.

APOLOGIES: None.

CHAIRMAN: Councillor Mr. C. H. Day.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING:

REED COTTAGE: Still nothing done, but work continuing on house.

40 MPH AND ASHFORD ROAD SIGNS: Nothing done to re-instate them.

CANTERBURY & THANET COMMUNITY HEALTH COUNCIL: Attendance small but a very helpful and interesting talk given by Mr. P. Topham.

ST. NICHOLAS CHURCHYARD: Revd. L. Cox to be inducted on 25th October 1984 and contact will be made when he has settled in.

NAME PLATE, IFFIN LANE: Not yet in place.

HOLLOW LANE: Copy of extracts from minutes sent to Kent County Council for their guidance regarding responsibility for trees. Mr. Ellis, the Council's Horticultural Officer to make an inspection. A letter to be written asking if Mr. Ellis could meet Parish Councillors on site regarding this matter. It was also reported that the 'No cycling' signs on the elevated footpath need attention. The one at the lower end near the oast has been broken and the one in New House Lane now obstructed by hedge.

BUS STOP, ASHFORD ROAD: Councillor Mrs. M. Kite reported that the temporary bus stop sign had again been vandalised and her husband had telephoned the East Kent Road Car Co. Ltd., regarding this. A new concrete post now in position and the sign awaited. A new 'temporary' bus stop marker in position.

PUBLICITY: Notice Board. Reply received from the Ashford Road Social Club that while they agree in principle, they do not agree the site. A large notice board on the forecourt of the post office would obstruct vision of the residents in the bungalows. The owner of the properties would need to give consent. Reply awaited from the W.I.

BOUNDARY COMMISSION, PARISH REVIEW: No reply received as yet.

COMMUNITY PROGRAMME SCHEME: The Clerk reported that help would be given to the Ashford Road Social Club.

BROKEN BRANCHES AND NETTLES IN HOLLOW LANE: These being dealt with.

ANONYMOUS LETTER TO MR. G. LEE: Nothing further heard.

RUBBISH AT HANGING BANKS: Not yet cleared.

OVERHANGING ROSE BUSHES: These have been cut back.

LONGREACH, TONFORD LANE: Hedge trimmed back.

PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS: $\frac{2}{3}$ Clerk's phone rental plus VAT £12.72. Proposed by Councillor Mr. C. H. Church, seconded by Councillor Miss S. Knott and carried, that this be paid.

K.A.P.C. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING: 25th October. Agenda studied, Representatives briefed on voting on resolutions. Annual Report studied.

Oast to Coast. Item re Parish Council Audits. This Parish Council agreed that the audit could be once in two to three years.

National Circular No. 1/84. 'The Free Two Pence'. This Parish Council has not found it necessary to use these powers over a long period.

HILLTOP CLUB: Letter of appreciation for assistance in obtaining £200 from the Canterbury City Council Lottery Fund. Parish News. No. 125. Studied.

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PLANNING APPLICATIONS: None.

Previous application granted: 166 Ashford Road extension.

" " not granted: Felling of part of Iffin Wood.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS;

PUBLIC FOOTPATH MARK STONES: It was reported that the one at the railway crossing in Tonford Lane and also that on the footpath from Milton Bridge to Chartham had been vandalised.

COUNCILLOR MRS. J. WOODS reported on the re-surfacing of Tonford Lane. In a number of places the manhole covers had been covered over with tarmac and the gullies outside 'Longreach' had not been filled in before the application of tarmac, resulting in very deep gullies which are dangerous to pedestrians. A letter to be written.

Councillor Mrs. J. Woods reported that now Tonford Lane had been re-surfaced with black tarmac the top part as far as the junction with Grays Way is very dark. She queried whether an additional light would be put in between the junction with the Ashford Road and the junction with Grays Way. Hassell Reach also to be investigated. Seaboard to be asked to advise the Council.

COUNCILLOR MR. G. PAGE reported that where B. Telecom had re-instated the footway outside No. 152 Ashford Road, there is a hole sufficiently large to trap the heel of a woman's shoe. B. Telecom to be asked to attend to this.

COUNCILLOR MR. C. CHURCH reported that due to the forthcoming new taxation regulations, the Parish Council should claim exemption on paying tax on interest in the Deposit Account. The Clerk also asked to make enquiries regarding better terms for investing the Council's money.

COUNCILLOR MR. C. H. DAY reported that he had walked by Milton Church and found that the roof had caved in, windows broken and a general scene of decay. It was agreed that enquiries should be made with the Diocese about this.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Monday, 12th November 1984 at 8 pm.

There being no other business, the meeting was closed.

C. H. Day
12.11.84