

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE THANINGTON WITHOUT PARISH COUNCIL held at the Ashford Road Social Clubhouse, Ashford Road, on Monday, 10th July 1989 at 8 pm.

PRESENT: Councillors Mrs. P. Blackman, Mr. C. H. Day, Mr. R. Eden, Mr. G. Furness, Mrs. F. Hughes, Miss S. Knott, Mrs. L. New and Mr. G. Page.

APOLOGIES: Councillor Mr. C. H. Church who is on holiday.

CHAIRMAN: Councillor Mr. G. Page, (Vice-Chairman) in the absence of the Chairman.

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING:

FOOTPATH SIGN, NEW HOUSE LANE: It was agreed that this should be a wooden sign marked 'Footpath CB 490 to Cocking Road) lettering yellow on green background, with the green and Yellow footpath sign fixed to it. The sign to be on a 5/6ft. pole.

BRIDGE OVER THE RIVER STOUR AT TONFORD: The highlighting of the treads now completed. As Mr. & Mrs. Abbott have moved from the adjacent bungalow, Mr. Brumbridge, K.C.C., agreed to see the new owners regarding the screen to their garden.

STREET LIGHTING. Nothing heard.

COCKERING ROAD STREET LIGHTING AND NAME PLATES: Nothing heard.

ASHFORD ROAD SAFETY BOLLARDS. Nothing heard.

WHEELED LITTER BINS: The Clerk had met the new Principal Cleansing Officer, Mr. Dunderdale, who informed her that no decision had been made regarding these. Should the decision be made for the wheeled bins, all householders would receive an information leaflet and also be visited. Aged or infirm householders unable to cope with the bins would have the alternative of either having them fetched from the door or to retain the use of the black plastic sacks.

Councillor Mr. C. H. Day expressed his disapproval of the wheeled bins on the grounds of excessive costs and time necessary for collection. It was noted in the Canterbury City Council minutes that in the events of the bins system being adopted, they would be phased in over a five year period.

The Clerk had shown Mr. Dunderdale the areas where litter is most prevalent, i.e. junction of Grays Way/Thanington Road and the junction of Strangers Lane/Thanington Road. He had looked at the litter bins at these sites with a view of improving conditions.

PARISH SIGNS: Litter received from K.C.C. Barham, with sketch plan of the smaller notice available. It was agreed that this would be suitable, but 'Through the village' to be omitted. One to be placed at either end of New House Lane and Iffin Lane.

ASHFORD ROAD SOCIAL CLUB: The Clerk reported that a meeting had been held which was attended by Mr. E. C. Hobday, Kent Rural Community Council, and the three Club Trustees. It was agreed that the Constitution for a Community Association should be adopted.

KENT STRUCTURE PLAN SECOND REVIEW AND ALTERATIONS: Modifications.

This had been studied and the Chairman recommended that the Parish Council support the objection lodged by Canterbury City Council, i.e. housing provisions for Canterbury and the lack of attention given to the development of Aylesham.

COCKERING ROAD AND GRAYS WAY: These roads had now been re-surfaced.

SURFACE OF LAYBY AT 143/149 ASHFORD ROAD: No information received.

GRAYS WAY: No reply to suggestion that this is made one way for traffic.

HATCHING ON THANINGTON ROAD ADJACENT TO BYPASS AND ST. NICHOLAS ROAD: No information received. Councillor Mr. R. Eden reported that all passing traffic on Monday evening was using the hatched area due to parked vehicles on either side of the road.

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MATTERS ARISING cont:

ADDITIONAL LIGHTS IN BRAMLEY AVENUE: Councillor Mr. G. Furness had visited residents and it was evident that they needed additional lights. It was proposed by Councillor Mr. C. H. Day, seconded by Councillor Mrs. L. New and carried, that additional lights should be provided and estimates to be obtained from Seeboard for two and four lights. Councillor Mr. G. Furness would again visit Bramley Avenue to ascertain where these lights should be placed.

LOOSE TARMAC AT GRAYS WAY/TONFORD LANE JUNCTION: This road now re-surfaced.

MOBILE LIBRARY AT ST. NICHOLAS ROAD: Reply received from the Librarian that if the mobile library visited in that area it would of necessity be early morning, possibly 9.15 am. It would need to be assessed how many readers would take advantage of this service. It has been noted that the numbers of readers at the Grays Way stop were not increasing. Councillor Mrs P. Blackman agreed to approach the Thanington Without W.I. members for their assistance.

OVERHANGING HEDGES AT 1 BRAMLEY AVENUE: The Clerk reported that these had been cut back.

SQUATTERS IN TONFORD LANE: These were still in occupation of the house. Councillor Mrs. P. Blackman reported that one front window had been broken.

PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS:

Geerings: photocopier paper	£34.04
K.C.C. Supplies: photocopier rental /April/June 1989	£108.34
Ashford Road Social Club: Rent Jan/June 1989	£36.00
Miss Eyles, Clerk: Salary April/June 1989 ..	£299.00
$\frac{2}{3}$ phone rental plus VAT ..	19.05
	£318.05

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs. L. New, seconded by Councillor Mrs. F. Hughes and carried, that these be paid.

FINANCE: The Clerk reported that the HICA interest for the last quarter was £168.65.

CORRESPONDENCE:

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL: Parish Tree Wardens. Noted.
Replant the Garden of England Fund. Noted.

British Rail Timetable. Noted.

K.A.P.C. Canterbury Area Committee report. Noted.
Oast to Coast. Circulating to Councillors.
Kent Village Ventures competition. Noted.

K.C.C. Sunday bus guide and local bus guide. Noted.

SAMARITANS : Appeal for fund to assist with purchase of new premises. It was agreed that it would make a precedent if the Parish Council gave a donation to this.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING COMPANY. Noted.

LOCAL COUNCIL REVIEW: Noted.

PARISH NEWS NO. 163 NOTED.

REPORTS: There were none. Councillor Mr. G. Page gave his apologies for non-attendance at the meeting of the Larkey Valley Woods Committee, but on receipt of the minutes he would make a report. These had been a site meeting which he also had been unable to attend.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS:

CA/88/THA - Land at rear of Old Manor, Cockerling Road. Erection of detached garage block and detached open fronted building.

CA/89/0928/THA - 7b Hassall Reach. Single storey bedroom extension etc.

CA/89/0105/THA - The Old Manor, Cockerling Road. Demolition of Shed A.

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs. L. New, seconded by Councillor Mr. R. Eden and carried, that the action taken that no objections be made should be confirmed.

Previous applications: Land adjacent to 4 New House Lane. Granted.
17 Manor Close. Granted.

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PARISH APPRAISAL. The Clerk reported that of the 60 copies produced, there were only three left. The Parish Council were now liable to pay the Royalty of £7.45 plus VAT of £1.12 amounting to a total of £8.57. It was proposed by Councillor Mrs. L. New, seconded by Councillor Mrs. F. Hughes and carried, that this be paid. The Clerk also reported that Mrs. Bertram Senr. had sent a message from the Channel Islands with appreciation for the Appraisal being dedicated to John.

ST. AUGUSTINES HOSPITAL SITE: Following the period of public consultation the Planning Committee considered the comments submitted by the public together with a possible development strategy for the future. The Chairman had drafted a letter to the City Council agreeing with their recommendations save that under (k) the Parish Council would like to see the brief extended to consider the likely interaction of the traffic implications of St. Augustines with those of any development on Bretts or Wincheap.

FLINT EXTRACTION: Councillor Mr. G. Page reported on the meeting which he had attended at Chartham. It was only by chance that the Clerk had been advised of this meeting by a Chartham resident and fortunately he had been able to attend. Bretts have lodged a Planning Application for excavation of flint at Deanery Farm, Chartham. The principal features are that only about 4 acres will ever be worked at one time and then for 9 months only each year. The contract being set for 14 years. Every autumn the excavation will be fully restored. The landscape will be restored to its existing condition as grazing pasture, using photographic records for exact reference. There will be no loss of ecological interest and the ecology will be fully restored. No high grade land will ever be required. All existing drainage ditches will be preserved or reinstated. Public footpaths will be open at all times and traffic will use the main A28. The operation will not increase the flooding nor will they have any affect on water resources or water quality. A letter had been written as this Parish will bear the effects of the lorries travelling to and from the site along the already heavily congested A28. Concern was expressed on the duration of the contract; damage caused by the workings; noise pollution by pumping day and night; lack of comparable quality of infilling material; vehicles having to cross the carriageway to return to Milton quarry. Attention was also drawn to the November 1983 Kent Minerals Subject Plan regarding permission not being granted if in the County Council's view access would prove to be an unaccountable hazard to other road users. This site is the last complete riverside meadow between Shalmsford Street and Westbere, and lastly the daily burden on the A28 for those who travel on it and live in its environs.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

K.C.C. SUPPLIES: The Clerk reported that she had received an apology from the Purchasing Manager at the Department. As a non-profit making department they have no means of bearing part of the cost of the Parish Council hiring the photocopier. He acknowledged that my requisition and letter had stated it to be a quarterly charge, but unfortunately this had not been noted in the department. At the time, the clerk dealing with this department was away ill and the one dealing with this transaction was no longer in the employ of K.C.C.

COUNCILLOR MR. G. PAGE reported that the litter bin at the Hanging Banks layby had been damaged and was now replaced by a smaller one. However, the site was quite tidy.

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ANY OTHER BUSINESS cont:

COUNCILLOR MR. G. FURNESS again commented on the poor finish to the road repairs on the Ashford Road.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Monday, 11th September 1989 at 8 pm.

Apolgies for this meeting received from Councillors Mr. C. H. Day, Mrs. L. New and possibly Mrs. F. Hughes, in addition to that already received from Mr. C. H. Church. As there would be a quorum it was agreed to adhere to this date.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 10 pm.

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