

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THANINGTON WITHOUT PARISH COUNCIL held at the Ashford Road Social Clubhouse, Ashford Road, on Monday, 11th September 1989 at 8 pm.

PRESENT: Councillors Mrs. P. Blackman, Mr. R. Eden, Mr. G. Furness, Miss S. Knott, Mr. G. Page and one other Local Government Elector.

APOLOGIES: Councillors Mr. C. H. Church, Mr. C. H. Day, Mrs. F. Hughes and Mrs. L. New. Apologies accepted.

CHAIRMAN: Councillor Mr. G. Page in the absence of the Chairman, Councillor Mr. C. H. Church.

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING:

FOOTPATH SIGN, New House Lane: Now in place.

STREET LIGHTING: Nothing further heard.

COCKERING ROAD STREET LIGHTING AND NAME PLATES: Nothing heard and a further approach to be made to Canterbury City Council.

ASHFORD ROAD SAFETY BOLLARDS: Nothing further heard.

WHEELED LITTER BINS: Nothing further heard about them. Councillor Mr. G. Page reported that there are now two small bins at the Hanging Banks layby. It is noted that if the wheeled bins are decided on they will be phased in over a five year period.

PARISH SIGNS: Not yet in place. These are expected in September/October.

ASHFORD ROAD SOCIAL CLUB: The Secretary in process of writing a circular letter to all members asking them to attend a meeting on Tuesday, 17th October 1989 at 7.30 pm.

SURFACE AT LAYBY, 143/149 Ashford Road: Reply received from Canterbury City Council confirming that the layby is not owned by the City Council nor does it form part of the publicly owned highway, the extent of this being the highway itself and the footway. Mr. R. Anderson, 145 Ashford Road had been given this information.

GRAYS WAY, suggestion that this is made one way only for traffic. Nothing heard.

HATCHING OF THANINGTON ROAD ADJACENT TO BYPASS AND ST. NICHOLAS ROAD: Nothing heard.

ADDITIONAL LIGHTS IN BRAMLEY AVENUE: Councillor Mr. G. Furness reported that he had again visited Bramley Avenue and it was agreed that Seaboard should be asked to visit the site to meet Councillor Mr. G. Furness to advise on suitable sites for outreach arms or poles, and for estimates to be given for 2 or 4 lights.

MOBILE LIBRARY: St. Nicholas Road: Councillor Mrs. P. Blackman agreed to ask the W.I. members if they have any further information.

ST. AUGUSTINES' HOSPITAL SITE: No further information received.

FLINT EXTRACTION, DEANERY FARM, CHARTHAM: No further information received.

PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS:

MISS EYLES, Clerk: 2/3 phone rental including VAT £19.05

COUNCILLOR MR. G. PAGE: travel claim and parking fee representing the Parish Council at the British Legion service, Canterbury Cathedral and meeting at Civic Centre regarding A28 roundabout 2.00

It was proposed by Councillor Mr. R. Eden, seconded by Councillor Mrs. P. Blackman and carried, that these be paid.

FINANCE: Specimen financial statement and agenda for submitting to the Annual Assembly studied. It was agreed that this was very comprehensive and acceptable.

LOTTERY FUND: The balance in the fund for the Parish now stands at £500.

FINANCE DAY: The Clerk reported that this is cancelled.

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CLERK'S RESIGNATION: Councillor Mr. G. Page read letter of resignation received from the Clerk. This to take effect from 31st December 1989, after thirteen years service. He also read letter of acceptance written by the Chairman, Councillor Mr. C. H. Church. The Clerk was agreeable to continue if it was not possible to appoint a new Clerk by the date given, until such time it was possible.

Councillor Mr. G. Page said he was sure that the Parish Council was sorry to lose Miss Eyles and expressed the thanks of the Council for her help and guidance throughout her term of office. Advertisement to be placed in the local newspapers in the week commencing 25th September 1989 for three weeks. Notices to be put on the Parish Notice Boards, the local W.I., Hilltop Club, Thanington Within Tenants Association also to receive a notice.

CORRESPONDENCE:

K.C.C. NEWSLETTER: Noted.

Claims against K.C.C. as the Highway Authority. Items noted.

Direct dialling facilities for members of the Public Transport Group. Noted.

Celebrations of Kent's Architectural Heritage. Display in the foyer of the Civic Centre during September, after which it will go on view in local libraries before going to the Canterbury Centre in St. Alphege Lane. Noted.

Channel Tunnel Joint Consultative Committee report. Noted.

KENT AMENITIES SOCIETY CONFERENCE. High Speed Kent. Noted.

KENT POLICE AUTHORITY: Meeting 13th September at Darwin College. Councillor Mr. G. Page to attend.

CANTERBURY CITY COUNCIL NEWSLETTER. Noted.

K.A.P.C. CONFERENCE - Countryside Strategy. 7th October at Hollingbourne. Noted.

MR. A. ROCHE, THANINGTON COURT: re Bypass planting. Letter received asking for the support of the Parish Council in his case to the Department of the Environment for planting shrubs, bushes and small trees on the side of the bypass between the Ashford/Ramsgate railway line and the edge of his property. His aim is that the section between the two railway lines is presently planted. After discussion it was agreed that the Parish Council should support Mr. A. Roche on the lines of his letter asking for shrubs, bushes and small trees to be planted on the side of the bypass.

REPORTS: Councillor Mr. G. Page reported on the last meeting of the K.A.P.C. Area Committee. Mr. Bob Scruton, Councillor Mr. C. H. Church and Councillor Mr. G. Page has been re-elected as Chairman, Vice-Chairman and CADET representative respectively.

Councillor Mr. G. Page also reported on the British Legion Service at Canterbury Cathedral.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS: Actions taken to be confirmed:

CA/89/2/THA - Land rear of Strangers Close: Refusal recommended on the grounds of lack of access and the possibility of more vehicles parking on the highway in this area.

CA/89/1114/THA - Replacement dwelling Plot 2 Cockerling Farm Bungalows.

Recommend no objection to this dwelling, subject to none from neighbours.

CA/89/1145/THA - 20 Grays Way: Dormer windows to front and rear. Recommend no objection, subject to none from neighbours.

CA/89/1143/THA - Iffin Farm Barn site. House on site of barn destroyed by fire. Recommend no objection, subject to none from neighbours.

CA/89/1177/THA - 55 Straggers Lane. Conversion to two dwellings. Recommend no objection subject to none from neighbours.

CA/89/1201/THA - 8 New House Close. Extension at side and internal alterations. Recommend no objection subject to none from neighbours.

CA/89/1240/THA - 34 New House Close. First floor rear extension. Recommend no objection subject to none from neighbours.

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PLANNING APPLICATIONS cont:

A28 ASHFORD/CANTERBURY ROAD: Highway modification including construction of a roundabout. CA/89/1275/THA.

Councillor Mr. G. Page and the Clerk had met Mr. K. Bennett the Leader of the Planning Team for discussion on this application.

It was recommended that the speed restriction signs are moved to a point west of Milton Bridge adjacent to E.K.V. garage and Howfield Lane turning. Traffic would then have to slow down to negotiate Milton Bridge and be aware that there is a roundabout immediately at the entrance to Milton Farm and the quarry. This has always been a dangerous area and care must be taken that it does not become more so. Traffic will still be leaving Howfleid Lane and turning either left or right and this must be taken into consideration. The proposed Riverside Walk from Canterbury through to Howfield Lane final plan is not yet decided. When this is completed will there be any provision for walkers? At the present time walkers need to cross the road to walk on the footpath on the Milton Manor side of Milton Bridge and then of necessity re-cross to walk on the footpath on the northern side of the A28 Ashford Road to Thanington. With regard to the proposed road over Brett's ground from Chartham to the Milton Bridge area, it is considered that this road is better than the two roads proposed in the Appraisal for the development of St. Augustines Hospital, although the gradient leaves room for doubt. The Thanington Without Parish Council is working in conjunction with Chartham Parish Council on this Planning application.

ST.AUGUSTINES HOSPITAL SITE: Nothing heard yet.

FLINT EXTRACTION AT DEANERY FARM, CHARTHAM. Nothing heard yet.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

COUNCILLOR MR. C. H. CHURCH had reported that he had received payment in part of his claim for damage to his car caused by falling rocks in Hollow Lane.

COUNCILLOR MR. R. EDEN asked that the street lighting not functioning opposite 12 Cocking Road should again be reported.

COUNCILLOR MR. G. FURNESS reported that the traffic lights at the bypass were still out of phase.

THE CLERK reported that she had written to a number of residents asking for their overhanging hedges to be cut back.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING. Monday, 9th October 1989 at 8 pm.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 10.15 pm.

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APOLOGIES: None.

CHAIRMAN: Councillor Mr. C. H. Church, who welcomed the two observers.

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING were confirmed and signed.

MATTERS ARISING:

STREET LIGHTING: Nothing further heard.

COCKERING ROAD STREET LIGHTING AND NAME PLATES. Nothing heard.

ASHFORD ROAD SAFETY BOLLARDS. Nothing heard.

WHEELED LITTER BINS: An article had appeared in the local press that the Canterbury City Council had voted in favour of these which would be phased in over a period of five years.

PARISH SIGNS: Not yet in place.

ASHFORD ROAD SOCIAL CLUB: The circular letter to members had been written and a meeting arranged for Tuesday, 17th October 1989 at 7.30 pm. Councillor Mr. C. H. Church regretted he could not attend due to lecturing commitments.

GRAYS WAY: Suggestion for one way traffic. Nothing heard.

HATCHING OF THANINGTON ROAD ADJACENT TO BYPASS AND ST. NICHOLAS ROAD. Nothing heard.

ADDITIONAL LIGHTS IN BRAMLEY AVENUE: Seeboard had acknowledged the Parish Council's letter and would be getting in touch in October with a view to a site meeting.

MOBILE LIBRARY: Councillor Mrs. P. Blackman reported that W.I. members are still making enquiries.

ST. AUGUSTINES HOSPITAL SITE: No further information until possibly late October.

FLINT EXTRACTION, DEANERY FARM, CHARTHAM: No further information yet.

LOTTERY FUND: Ashford Road Social Club have now received the £275 donated towards the purchase of a shed for storage. As there is now £500 in the fund and any sum over this may be reclaimed by the Canterbury City Council, letters to be written to the Vicar asking if any church organisation needed monetary help for sport or leisure projects, also to the Thanington Within Tenants Association.

CLERK'S RESIGNATION: Councillor Mr. C. H. Church reported that he had received two applications. He suggested that a small sub committee consisting of Councillors Mr. C. H. CHURCH, Mr. G. Page and Mrs. P. Blackman be formed to interview the applicants. Councillor Mrs. P. Blackman kindly offered her house for the interviews, the results of which would then go to the full council for final decision.

PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS:

K.A.P.C. POSTERS £1.90
Proposed by Councillor Mr. G. Page, seconded by Councillor Mrs. P. Blackman and carried, that this be paid.

Miss Eyles: Clerk's salary - 3 months July/Sept. 1989 £299.00
Proposed by Councillor Miss S. Knott, seconded by Councillor Mrs. L. New and carried, that this be paid.

Kentish Gazette & Extra: advertisement Vacancy for Clerk .. £118.68
Proposed by Councillor Mr. G. Page, seconded by Councillor Mrs. P. Blackman and carried, that this be paid.

Adscene: advertisement vacancy for Clerk £94.60
Proposed by Councillor Miss S. Knott, seconded by Councillor Mrs. L. New and carried, that this be paid.

The Clerk reported that the original cheque for payment had been lost in Adscene office and the Parish Council had been requested to stop this cheque and supply a replacement. As the fee for stopping cheques is £5 the Clerk had negotiated for this amount to be deducted from the bill.

Olwe H Church
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