

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THANINGTON WITHOUT PARISH COUNCIL held at the Ashford Rd Community Association Hall, Ashford Rd, Monday 13th JANUARY 1992 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT: Councillors Mrs. P. Blackman,, Miss S. Knott, Mrs. F.Hughes,  
Mrs. J. McMillan, Mr. G. Page, Mr. K.Stokes, Miss S. Williams  
The Parish Tree Officer, one local elector and the Clerk.

CHAIRMAN: Cllr. Mr. G. Page

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Councillors Mrs. A.Burton and Mr. G. Furness were unwell and their apologies were accepted

1. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING: these were confirmed and signed.

2. MATTERS ARISING:

*The Chairman commenced by expressing thanks to Cllr. Mrs. Blackman for providing mince-pies, after the close of the previous meeting.*

- [ 1.] The Parish Tree Officer, Mr. Glen Sharman, referred to the comments received from Men of the Trees, regarding trees in the parish. He had already undertaken to consider the Notcutt's Nursery offer in connection with the 40 Anniversary of the Queen's Accession. It was agreed that the Clerk should photocopy and circulate the comments, for Council discussion at the next meeting. Mr. Sharman expressed the opinion that the City Council would possibly be willing to be supportive of plans to provide more trees. He appealed for assistance in Larkey Valley Woods on January 26th. The Clerk offered to advertise any provided poster on Parish notice boards.
- [ 2.] Cllr. Knott reported that work had not been carried out on trees in Hollow Lane. The Clerk was asked to telephone to Mr. Long of CCC Highways, to express disappointment and to request attention to this urgent matter.
- [ 3.] The Clerk reported that he had received acknowledgement from the National Savings Bank for the form for up-dating signnatories.
- [ 4.] The letter from KCC Highways, which had been overlooked at the previous meeting, was read. It recommended care in phrasing requests for maintenance estimates, to ensure inclusion of 'making-good'.
- [ 5.] The Clerk confirmed that he had written to the City Treasurer, as instructed concerning the annual Precept and concurrent powers.
- [ 6.] A letter from CCC was read, which confirmed that the salt bins in Cockering Road & Grays Way would be monitored and replenished. The Clerk confirmed the Grays Way bin had already been filled and also the one in New House Lane. Cllr. Stokes offered to check on the one in Cockering Road.
- [ 7.] The Clerk reported that he had prepared the posters showing the names of all councillors, the Wards they represent and addresses and telephone numbers of the Chairman and Clerk. The posters would be put up after the proposed new notice-boards were in position.

7. **REPORTS:** There was none.
8. **TREES:** This item had been already dealt with under Matters Arising, to facilitate Mr. Sharman's departure. The Chairman had thanked him for attending. The letter from The Men of the Trees and any other developments would be discussed at the next meeting.
9. **NOTICE BOARD:** The Clerk confirmed that he had written to Mr. T. to accept the two tenders, giving the go-ahead for New House Lane, but explaining that the other one depended upon obtaining the prepared notice-board from a supplier.  
The Chairman expressed concern over possible vandalism and it was generally agreed that any new board should be of good appearance. Thereupon the two catalogues, which had been circulated previously, were studied again. It was unanimously agreed that the price, for what was envisaged, was higher than initially anticipated and could not be justified. Cllr. Stokes offered to assist by providing metal supports.  
Consequently, the Clerk was instructed to request an estimate from Mr. T. if he was able to construct a suitable board, for which Cllr. Stokes would provide supports. The Clerk was also asked to obtain a second estimate, if possible.
10. **PARISH MEETING:** It was agreed that the Parish Meeting would be held at St. Faith's Church Hall at 7.30 p.m. on Thursday April 30th 1992. Cllr. Knott undertook to arrange the booking and provision of light refreshments. The Clerk was asked to approach Mr. Watmor, CCC Countryside Officer, to be the speaker on the subject of 'Trees in the Parish'.
11. **PARISH AFFAIRS:** The Clerk reported that County Councillor Martin Vye had telephoned him on Sunday evening, January 5th:-
- (i) to mention that Chartham Society were seeking support in their request to minimise the 'rat-run' traffic through Chartham Hatch by the provision of a slip-road. The Clerk had suggested a letter be sent and gave the date of this meeting.
  - (ii) Cllr. Vye plans to attend the Minerals Plan Enquiry and oppose the proposals for this area. The Clerk confirmed the PC's action.
  - (iii) He had requested to be informed of the Parish Meeting date as soon as possible.

The Clerk reported that he had requested the removal of graffiti on the Parish sign near the traffic lights.

Attention was drawn to the latest edition of the ARCA Newsletter and to the report from the Council, therein.

The proposed meeting of the Neighbourhood Watch, on Monday, January 20th, was noted.

The Clerk brought to the notice of councillors the fact that, in Chartham, the application for a golf/ski club had been refused.

The Clerk confirmed that the Precept Application had been s

5. CORRESPONDENCE:

The Chartham Society: Connection of the Western Link A2/A28 at Thanington.

This letter, which requested support for an attempt traffic through Chartham Hatch, was read. As there uncertainty about the proposed line of the link roa Clerk was asked to write to request a plan showing

CCC: Traffic Management: Cockering Road

This letter, declining to take action, was noted.

CCC: News Release: City Council Membership. Copied & cir

CCC: The reason for the District Plan. To be circulated.

CCC: Local Plan Meeting Chartham: Posters. Already post

KCC: Local Government Review: KCC Response. Circulated.

KCC: Kent Communiqué No: 3 (circulated)

KCC: Planning: Environment Programme: 'elements' (circulate

KRCC: Village Halls Conference 1992

GameTime (Uk) Ltd.: PlaySchemes (filed)

Game & Playtime Ltd.: Playground equipment Catalogue (filed

Kent Constabulary: Poster.

KAPC: Parish News No: 186 (circulated at meeting).

6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS:

Agenda 7-1-92 had been passed to the Chairman, who had found no contents demanding action..

Report: CA/91/0979/THA New House Farm. Conversion of barn i shop. Refusal recommended.

Conservation Area Review: Milton Manor Farm

It was noted that Milton Manor was not included in top prio The Clerk was asked to copy and circulate the review.

CA/91/0901/THA Milton Manor Farm Granted

CA/91/1178/(CAN)THA Wisteria Cottage, Iffin Lane.

The Clerk reported that Cllr. Knott had telephoned him to e about an Application for building permission at Wisteria Co Iffin Lane, reported in The Kentish Gazette. Neither the Cl the Chairman had received any communication from CCC Planni The Clerk had queried this with Mr. Britnell, the Planninin responsible. Apparently permission for almost identical dev had been granted in April 1990 although Mr. Britnell appea surprised that nothing had been forwarded to the P.C. It so likely that, under the circumstances, permission would be g The Clerk requested copies of details, for the record. These received on January 10th, the dead-line date for replies. T reference had been originally entered as CAN and was altere Cllr. Knott had brought, to the meeting, the newspaper cutt the Clerk's records.

The Council accepted that, under the circumstances, permiss most probably be granted and that the Parish Council had pr agreed to a basically identical proposal.

- [ 8.] A letter from Bretts was read, following the Clerk having written concerning the matter of litter around the 'lakes' on Bretts property and the wider issues of general responsibility. The Estates Manager expressed his awareness concern and frustration. He outlined a possible future improvement. The Clerk was asked to acknowledge and thank.
- [ 9.] The Clerk reported that he had telephoned to CCC about the eventual return of the damaged seat removed from Grays Way corner. A new one will, hopefully, be in position in the spring.
- [10.] A letter from Mr. & Mrs. Miles was read, which expressed appreciation of the Chairman's presentation, on behalf of the Council, on the occasion of their Golden Wedding.
- [11.] The Clerk confirmed that he had provided the Chairman with a contact address for Thanington Within Community Centre. This was in connection with Cllr. Page's offer to make a monthly contribution in the form of a summary of Paris Council meetings. He had postponed commencement until the New Year.

### 3. APPROVAL OF PAYMENTS:

National Savings Bank		£380,00
NOTA BENE: The Clerk explained that this was to replace a cancelled cheque for £400, issued for the wrong amount, last month.		
D. E. Gould. Clerk's Salary: Oct/Nov/Dec '91	£579, 15	
Salary adjustment Jun/Jly/Aug	£34, 65	
2/3 Telephone rental	<u>£15, 74</u>	
		£629, 54
Geerings: Photocopier		£5, 75
	including VAT £0, 85	
Aids for Business Canterbury	Analysis Book etc.	£16, 90
	including VAT £2, 52	

It was proposed by Cllr. Hughes, seconded by Cllr. Blackman an unanimously agreed that these payments be made. The cheques were then signed by the two councillors.

### 4. FINANCE:

National Savings cheque; altered from £400 to £380. This matter had been explained under APPROVAL OF PAYMENTS.

Midland Bank's HICA Statement was circulated and the balance of £11942,29 and Interest of £429,68 were noted.

Midland Bank: A Mandate for new signatories was further completed in accordance with the Bank's request.

The Clerk commented that he had received the rental account, up until March 1992, from A.R.C.A. and that this would be paid at a future date.

The Clerk informed that Cllr. Furness had reported that lig Ashenden Road were out of synchronisation.

Cllr. Knott reported that she had informed CCC Emergency Se sewage problem, in New House Lane, which had been dealt wit and satisfactorily.

Cllr. Stokes reported that, once again, the banks of Cocker needed a good clearance from litter. The Clerk was asked to the appropriate authorities.

12. **EMERGENCY PLANNING:** The Clerk reported that he had heard nothing furth Mr. Armishaw. He had also telephoned Mr. Mcdonald but there no contact between those gentlemen.

13. **FOOTPATHS:** A reply from Shell: Better Britain Campaign, concerning the procedures for dealing with applications for grants, was re included an invitation to re-apply in the spring.

Cllr. Williams undertook to contact the Clerk with a draft proposed booklet, to examine photocopying possibilities, fo distribution together with the Parish Meeting letter.

14. **CANTERBURY DISTRICT LOCAL PLAN:** The video was returned to the Clerk, af been seen by most councillors. Comments were positive.

15. **CLERK'S CONTRACT:** The Clerk reported that he had still had no reply from KAPC. Nor had he received a reply from Norwich U. However, he had telephoned to Norwich today and had been pr immediate delivery of information about pensions schemes.

*At 9.10 p.m. the Chairman adjourned the meeting and invited Goddard, the only local elector present, to make any commen wished.*

*Mr. Goddard commenced by expressing his gratification upon the councillors' concern over the cost of a new notice-board their unwillingness to squander public funds.*

*He queried the apparent differences in lighting provision f Strangers Close and Strangers Lane and other parts. The Cle undertook to check on the position regarding photo-cells.*

*Mr. Goddard repeated comments that he had made before about and litter clearance etc. and expressed the opinion that Th Without was neglected by CCC.*

**NEXT MEETING:** This is due to be held on Monday, February 10th 1992 at 7.30 ;

**CLOSURE OF MEETING:** There being no other business, the Chairman declared the closed at 9.20 p.m.