

THANINGTON WITHOUT PARISH COUNCIL  
held at  
Ashford Road Community Association Clubhouse, Thanington Without,  
on Monday, December 13th at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT: Councillors Mr. I. Bain, Mrs. P. Blackman, Mr. G. Furness, Mr. K. Goddard,  
Mrs. J. McMillan, Mr. G. Page, Mr. K. Stokes and the Clerk.

CHAIRMAN: Cllr. Mr. G. Page.

APOLOGIES: Cllrs. Potts and Pringle were not in attendance.

- [ 1.] The Clerk confirmed that all the cheques approved at the November meeting have been despatched.
- [ 2.] The Clerk confirmed that he has written to CCC Planning to recommend APPROVAL of Application CA/99/1022/THA , Milton Manor, Ashford Road.; Two-storey side extension to outbuilding.
- [ 3.] The Clerk confirmed that he has written to Cornhill Insurance regarding streetlighting.
- [ 4.] The Clerk confirmed that he has written to CCC Finance Department with a request for £7,192 for the 2000-2001 Precept.
- [ 5.] The Clerk reported that Mr. Bob Porter accepted the offer to speak at the next Parish Assembly, subject to a date being agreed.  
It was preliminarily agreed that Tuesday, April 18th could be a suitable date. The Clerk would speak to Mr. Porter.
- [ 6.] The Clerk reported that he had spoken to Trevor Goldsack at CCC Streetlighting Department about residents' requests for additional streetlighting around 10-12 Tonford Lane.
- [ 7.] The Clerk confirmed that he had again reported the overgrown shrubbery along the footpath near Milton Bridge and had requested a severe cut-back.
- [ 8.] The Chairman has produced a draft of his proposed "Welcome to the Parish" letter, referred to at the last meeting.

( 3.) APPROVAL OF PAYMENTS:

COLAS LTD. Streetlighting maintenance	
1/1/99 - 30/6/99	£449.50
Including VAT £66.94	
1/7/99 - 31/12/99	£449.50
Including VAT £66.94	£899.00
THE SOCIETY OF LOCAL COUNCIL CLERKS	£46.00
Subscription.	
KENT COUNTY COUNCIL [KCS]	£87.36
Photocopier 1/10/99: Including VAT £13.02	
OLLERTON Seat for New House Lane	£621.58
Including VAT 92.58	

Payment of these amounts was proposed by. Cllr. Page, seconded by. Cllr. McMillan and unanimously agreed. The cheques were then signed by the named councillors

- ( 4.) FINANCES: HSBC Statement of the Treasurer a/c showing balance of £ 793. 21 at 12/11/99, including gross interest of £0.20 to 11/11/99

NOTA BENE: Signatures required for transfer of £4,000 from No-notice Business a/c to boost Treasurer a/c. This was proposed by the Chairman, seconded by Cllr. Bain and unanimously agreed. The necessary transfer forms were signed by Cllrs. Page and McMillan.

Approval requested for transfer of £4,000 from National Savings Investment a/c to HSBC Business No-notice a/c. This was proposed by the Chairman, seconded by Cllr. Bain and unanimously agreed.

KAPC, returned cheque for £6.00 , payment for AGM lunch, which the Chairman was unable to attend.

BANK OF IRELAND: Details of new types of account

CORNHILL INSURANCE: Re: policy 11/AC/5270976 amendments because of streetlighting changes,

GEERINGS: Account for £273.88 sent in error. The Clerk queried. Geerings apologised and instructed to ignore,

AUDIT: The papers etc. were returned by Mr. David Howlands, on November 24th. Everything was basically in order, with the exception of a minor calculation slip. When the corrected , signed copy is received the certificate will be forwarded to the Clerk.

Copies of the amended Balance Sheet were circulated, approval was proposed by Cllr. Page, seconded by Cllr. Goddard and unanimously agreed. They were then signed by the Chairman and the Clerk.

The Clerk reported that he was asked to bring to the notice of the Council that it is advisable to have Standing Orders drawn up. The Chairman referred to comments in Local Council Administration, Fifth Edition, the fact that a copy of it is always available at meetings and that the Council has managed perfectly well for several decades, without Standing Orders, that there was no need to adopt them for this small parish council.

It was also recommended that a register of Council assets be included in next year's Supporting Statement. The Clerk intended to compile this for the next Audit.

CCC FINANCES: 3/11/99 Confirmation of taking over responsibility for streetlighting from 1/4/2000 has now been received.

The Chairman confirmed that he had carried out an internal audit of the reconciliation of the bank balances.

- ( 5.) CORRESPONDENCE.: CCC: NEWS from CCC: Rubbish-buster hits the streets. Also a poster.  
KENT POLICE AUTHORITY: Policing Priorities 2000-2001. A questionnaire., [Forwarded to Chairman]. A later letter amends response date to mid-December.  
KENTISH STOUR COUNTRYSIDE PROJECT: Newsletter Winter 1999.  
A.L.S. GROUP LTD., Unsolicited letter of introduction re: landscaping  
KENT COUNTY CONSTABULARY: Change of venue for meeting 19/11. The Clerk 'phoned his apologies and informed Chairman.  
SLCC: "The Clerk" November 1999. Notice of National Conference April 28-30 2000.  
CLERKS & COUNCILS DIRECT: November 1999.  
NALC: LOCAL COUNCIL REVIEW: Circulated to all Councillors.  
LORD MAYOR OF CANTERBURY: AWARD SCHEME and poster.  
KAPC (Canterbury Area) Minutes of meeting 13/10/99. Forwarded to Cllrs. Page & Bain.  
KENT HIGHWAYS; A letter from the Highways Manager, regarding Traffic Regulation and Street Parking, was read out by the Chairman.,  
KCC; COUNTY LAND USE & TRANSPORT PLANNING OFFICER: Local Transport Plan Public Consultation.  
KRCC: Village of the Year Competition.  
KAPC PARISH NEWS NO: 261  
Planning Info Day 11/3/2000  
MAJOR roadworks in KENT October '99 December '99

KAPC AGM Press Release  
Kent Fire Brigade:- Celebrating in Safety  
MID KENT WATER PLC: A letter was read out by the Chairman.  
CCC MINUTES of 25/11 meeting (Circulated)  
CCC: NEWS from CCC289/99. £300,000 for safer car parks.  
NALC: Conference in Brighton; 16-18/6/2000  
CCC: Where to Park in Canterbury this Christmas. [Leaflets to circulate]  
CCC: It may take a little longer to get into Canterbury This Christmas [Leaflets]  
GLASDON: Catalogue  
MID KENT WATER PLC: Whitstable Mains Renewal Scheme.  
also list of contact numbers over Christmas.  
DATA BOX 2000: A Millennium Archive for Kent. This was circulated. Responses will be asked for at the next meeting.  
KENT COUNTY CONSTABULARY: Minutes of the Parish Council Forum 19/11/99 and two posters

( 6.) PLANNING:

CA/99/0965/THA Application APPROVED.

Subsequently received an amended approval with new details of windows at 169 Ashford Road.

Minutes & Agenda for CCC Planning meeting on 9/11. Forwarded to Chairman.

Agenda (Special Meeting) 24/11 Draft Canterbury College Development Brief) forwarded to Chairman.

Supplementary Planning Guidance: Canterbury Area of High Landscape Value. [Copy to Chairman]

CA/99/0907/THA. Revised application details, for information only, regarding the Thanington Recreation Ground project have been received.

Subsequently a notice of APPROVAL has been received,

CCC Planning Minutes and Agenda for December 7th meeting, forwarded to the Chairman,

KCC STRATEGIC PLANNING: Land at LARKEY WOOD FARM, Cockerling Road, Chartham, was read out by the Chairman.

The Clerk was instructed to repeat the previous recommendation for refusal.

CA/99/0932/THA 10 Tonford Lane. Application GRANTED

CA/99/1187/THA Cockerling Barns, Cockerling Road.

External alterations & conversion to 3 residential units.

Note CA/96/0510 granted.

The Clerk was instructed to recommend APPROVAL.

CA/99/0458/CAN Land between Hollow Lane, the A2 and Wincheap.

Erection of 167 dwellings and a place of worship, with access roads, open space and associated works.

The Clerk was instructed to recommend REFUSAL.

( 7.) REPORTS: Cllr. Blackman commented briefly on the meeting of the Community Centre Steering Group, held on November 22nd, which she attended as a representative of ARCA. She remarked that matters are proceeding slowly. Attendance is rather poor, changes are frequent and there is a great need for participation and leadership.

( 8.) STREET LIGHTING: Mr. McDonald informed the Clerk of light failures in Manor Close. The Clerk reported these to Colas. Mr. McDonald called again on November 30th and the Clerk repeated his request to Colas.

COLAS LTD.: Street Lighting Maintenance Contract extended until 31/3/2000.

The Clerk has reported that the bollards from the KEEP LEFT warning on the traffic island . opposite the Recreation Ground were lying on the footway

- (9.) PARISH AFFAIRS: The Clerk announced that Mr. T. has received delivery of the seat for New House Lane.

The Clerk reported that he had spoken to Cllr. Vye for an up-date on the current position regarding the possible footpath.

The Clerk reported that he has informed CCC Highways about several pot-holes in Hollow Lane,

The Clerk referred to a public circular received from Thanington Health Project.. He has endeavoured to contact Mark Adkins.

The Clerk referred to a conversation with Chartham P.C.'s Chairman when it was mentioned that they had been notified about the naming of Milton Manor Road. Thanington Without P.C. has not been notified. The Clerk has pointed this out to CCC Highways.

Cllr. McMillan also referred to pot-holes in Hollow Lane.

Cllr. Blackman referred to overhanging shrubbery at 131 Ashford Road. The Clerk undertook to write to the occupants.

She also raised the matter of water accumulating in Tonford Lane. The Clerk undertook to follow up on this complaint.

Cllr. Stokes referred to repeated dumping along Cockering Lane, east of the footpath. The Clerk undertook to inform CCC,

Cllr. Goddard mentioned that the car repair service carried out by Norman Woodgate, in Strangers Lane, would be operating from other premises in future.

Cllr. Bain commented that the overhanging shrubbery near Milton Bridge was currently, seasonally reasonable, but a hard cut-back now would assist matters in the spring.

Cllr. Page remarked that Seeboard had still not connected the new street light opposite Hanging Banks.

The Clerk said that he had personally congratulated the Chairman of Chartham P.C. on winning the national award for contributions to improving the environment. He was asked to write to express the Council's congratulations.

- (10.) FOOTPATHS: A letter from Mike Ellis, PRWO, was read out by the Chairman..

Also from Mike Ellis, a letter re: 6 months returns 1999/2000 and Grant Bid 2000-2001.

The Clerk commented that he recommended continued membership of PPP and BTCV and that he will be putting in the requested returns and grant bid.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will be on Monday, January 10th 2000 at 7.30 p.m. in the ARCA Clubhouse.

*Before closing the meeting, thanks were expressed to Cllr. Blackman and to the Chairman, for the traditional mince-pies and sherry which would follow.*

CLOSURE : There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.35 p. m.