

MINUTES OF A MEETING
of
THANINGTON WITHOUT PARISH COUNCIL
held at
Ashford Road Community Association Clubhouse, Thanington Without
on Monday, September 10th 2001.

PRESENT:- Councillors Mr. I. Bain, Messrs. G. Furness, K. Goddard, T. Maple, G. Page, J. Potts, A. Pringle, K. Stokes and the Clerk.

APOLOGIES: Cllr. Mrs. Blackman

(1.) **APPROVAL OF THE MEETINGS OF THE LAST MEETING:**

(2.) **MATTERS ARISING:**

- [1.] The Clerk confirmed that all cheques approved at the July meeting have been despatched.
- [2.] The Clerk confirmed that the advertisement for Clerk's replacement has been processed as agreed. He has also posted a similar version on the North & South notice-boards. The Chairman remarked on progress.
- [3.] The Clerk confirmed that he has informed Kent Highways of the Parish Council's support of the measures to extend the 40 m.p.h. speed limit along Ashford Road.
- [4.] The Clerk confirmed that he has informed CCC Planning that the Parish Council recommends APPROVAL of CA/01/0625/THA 152 Ashford Road.
- [5.] The Clerk confirmed that he has again written to the Highway Unit concerning the footway repairs promised for March 2001 along the north side of Ashford Road. A reply phone call from the Highway Unit promised that the contractor would be chased to attend to this matter. The Chairman read out a letter received in reply, dated 3/8/01
- [6.] The Clerk confirmed that he has written to the Vicar about overgrown shrubbery around the vicarage, as instructed. The Vicar contacted the Chairman about this matter. The Chairman up-dated on a meeting with the Vicar and steps taken. The Clerk contacted Mr. Underdale at CCC Environment & Health. They will remove the litter bin near the notice board on the Grays Way corner and monitor the position. They will also check for overgrowing shrubbery
- [7.] The Clerk has telephoned to estate agents Bradford & Bingley about overhanging shrubbery at 1 Bromley Avenue. They will contact the vendor.
- [8.] The Clerk has written to the Headmistress of Montessori School, New House Lane about traffic problems as instructed, and enclosed a copy of the petition sent to the Council by residents of New House Close. The Chairman read out a reply.
- [9.] The Clerk has written to CCC Environment & Health to request a poop-scoop bin for Hollow Lane, as instructed.
- [10.] The Clerk has written to the Highway Unit to explain the problem of overhanging shrubbery in Hollow Lane, which has damaged vehicles, and has requested a cut-back

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- [11.] The Clerk confirmed that he has reported the steep kerb drop, outside Thanington Court, to the Highway Unit.
 - [12.] The Clerk confirmed that he has reported the overhanging shrubbery along the footway in the Milton Bridge area.
 - [13.] The Clerk has reported the overloading of the existing litter bin at Tonford Bridge and has requested an additional or larger bin. He also requested a bin for the north side of the level crossing.
 - [14.] The Clerk has reported the damaged telephone kiosk in Thanington Road, opposite the playing field, to BT.
 - [15.] The Clerk confirmed that he has reported the continued, blatant blocking of the new Keep Clear area, by local residents, in Strangers Close.
 - [16.] The Chairman read out a reply from Railtrack, concerning the repairs needed at Tonford level crossing.
 - [17.] The Clerk confirmed that he had telephoned to CCC to report that builder's spoil had been dumped in the Larkey Valley Woods car park.

(3) **APPROVAL OF PAYMENTS:**

The Clerk referred to the reimbursement for his payment of the advertisement inserted in the Kentish Gazette.

D. E. Gould. Reimbursement as explained above and approved 9/7	£570.33
Including VAT £84.93	

RICOH UK LIMITED Photocopier	£88.49
Including VAT £13.18	

The Clerk telephoned to Ricoh to explain that payment would be delayed.

ANDREW OSBORN Footpath maintenance	£110.00
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INLAND REVENUE	
National Insurance for period ended 5th July	£16.11

NOTE This amount may be amended slightly; awaiting new tables.

It was proposed by Cllr. , seconded by Cllr. and unanimously agreed that the above payments be approved. The cheques were then signed by the named councillors.

(4) **FINANCES: DISTRICT AUDIT:** notice of Audit for September 6th at 9.30 at CCC Offices. Collect 14/9

HSBC Bank statement for Treasurer Account; Balance at 12/7/01 £2,518.40, including interest of £1.59 to 11/7.

HSBC: Notification of branch removal to 9, Rose Lane, opening 24/9.

CCC COMMUNITY SERVICES: Re: Consultation with Parish Councils on new procedures and an application pack for Concurrent Function Grant

HSBC: Statement of Treasurer Account. Balance on 12/08/01 £1,938.58 including Gross Interest of £0.51 to 11/08/01

The Clerk explained that it is now about 15 months since he first wrote to SLCC to get clarification about his gratuity. After repeated reminders he has still not had a reply. He has now contacted Mr. Durbin, SLCC's Legal Adviser who has promised his investigations and presented extreme apologies.

- (5) **CORRESPONDENCE:** CCC: COUNCIL MINUTES. Delivery date of 26 February 02 changed to 26 March 02. Also enclosed receipt for £10 payment.
- KAPC: PARISH NEWS No: 275. (circulated)
Major Roadworks in Kent
2001 National Salary Awards stating (confirming) 3 1/2 %
Councillors Information Day 28/7 Teynham.
- KCC: Invitation for Clerk to attend Transport Show at Fawkham (Brands Hatch) 19/9 10 a. m.- 4p. m.. The Clerk is unable to attend and offered the invitation to any councillor interested.
- KRCC: Rural News No: 32, July 2001
Various enclosures; Awards; Funding Community Groups, Kent
Community Foundation,, Charity Commission Surgery, Raise,
Revitalise your village. [to be circulated]
- CCC RURAL AREA MEMBER PANEL. Agenda for 25/7 and Minutes from 22/5/01 Forwarded to Chairman for circulation.
- SOVERIEGN: Advertisement re Playground Equipment.
- KCC: EDUCATION & LIBRARIES: Request to post KITE poster.
- KCC Rural Revival Project Officer.; Re: Rural Revival Annual Report.
- ENVIRONMENT AGENCY: Leaflet re: The Stour Catchment Abstraction Management Strategy.
- KENT COUNTY CONSTABULARY: Invitation to Mr. D. Gould to attend a display and presentation at Police Headquarters Maidstone on Sunday September 9th 2001.
- KENT POLICE AUTHORITY: News July 2001.
- KAPC: PARISH NEWS No:276
Kent Volunteers
Kent Community Foundation
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Serpa
Norfolk China Ltd.
Finance Information Day 17/10 Harrietsham
- KAPC: "Special Edition", A new Approach to Local Council Audit.
Rural Policing Partnership.
- CCC: ENVIRONMENT & STREET SCENE; Green Bursary Award Applications 01/02
- PRACTICAL MEDIATION: Advertisement.
- PFIZER: Community Newsletter;N0: 17 August 2001. {Only one copy}.
- KENTISH STOUR COUNTRYSIDE PROJECT: Last publications and request to post a notice.
Also, Wild Sites and A Year in View
- CCC: STREET MONITORS: Minutes of 12/07/01 Meeting. Next meeting 25/9
- KRCC: From Community Appraisal to Action Plan. Brenzett Village Hall 8/9.
- SLCC "The Clerk" August 2001.
- NORFOLK CHINA LTD., Advertisement.
- KENT HIGHWAYS: Notification of road repairs in Alfred Close, Alfred Road and Godwin Road and associated closure, between August 31st. and September 3rd.
- ENVIRONMENT AGENCY: Kent Area External Business Plan 2001/02
- GLASDON: Advertisement.
- CLERKS & COUNCILS DIRECT, Issue 17 September 2001. To be circulated.
- KCC: Re: CA/96/1103/R5&9. No comments made. Confirmed by telephone.
- KENT COUNTY CONSTABULARY: PARISH COUNCIL FORUM: Minutes of July 24th, to be circulated.

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KAPC CANTERBURY AREA: Minutes of 1/7. Next meeting October 10th. Copies forwarded to Cllrs. Page & Bain.

KRCC: Rural News No: 33 August 2001. To be circulated.

- (6) **PLANNING** :The Chairman has passed a letter from Cllr. Maple which enclosed copies of letters from Mr. T. R. Davis re: Ca/00/1219/THA. The Chairman read out the copies.

The Chairman had received a Supplementary Report from Deveopment Services dated 21/08/01 which he has passed to the Clerk for filing. He also passed on lists of planning applications for the last four weeks, none of which included any for Thanington.

CA/99/240. Larkey Valley Wood Farm
Construction of new farm access with associated planting bunds and raising of field levels.

Supplementary Report; 24/7/01 Forwarded to Chairman

CA/01/0443 LAND AT IFFIN FARM, IFFIN IANE.
Change of use to livery and construction of access to Iffin Lane.
Construction of manegeand erection of one storage barn and two field shelters.

CA/01/0625/THA 152 Ashford Road. GRANTED.

CA/01/0812/THA New House Lane Paddocks, New House Lane, Iffin Lane.
Erection of stables.
Craig Savage agreed [phone call 30/7] to a reply directly after our September meeting.

CA/01/0843/THA Cockering Barns, Cockering Road.
Variation of permission by deletion of condition 02 of planning permission granted under reference CA/00/0807/THA for conversion of barn to three dwellings.

CA/01/0914/THA 42 New House Lane.
Conservatory to rear of dwelling.

KCC: Re: CA/96/1103/R5&9. No comments made. Confirmed by telephone.

(7) **REPORTS:**

- (8) **PARISH AFFAIRS** The Chairman informed the Clerk that he had been told that the notice-board in Cockering Lane has been vandalised. The Clerk inspected and feels that it is time to consider whether it and the deteriorating one in Strangers Lane should be replaced or not.

The Chairman read out comments which Cllr. Blackman had left with him.

- (9) **FOOTPATHS:** KCC ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT; Mike Overbeke PROW. Foot & Mouth
KCC PROW Kent Countryside Access.

BTCV: Conservation holidays.

BTCV: BTCV Training Sept. 2001 to May 2002

BTCV: Election Forms. [No longer members]

(10) **STREET LIGHTING:** The Chairman had written to inform CCC Street Lighting Department about faults outside 77 Strangers Lane and 1 Manor Close.

NEXT MEETING: The next Meeting will be held at the ARCA Clubhouse on Monday, October 8th at 7.30 p. m.

CLOSURE: There being no further business to be discussed, the Chairman declared the Meeting closed at 9.26 p. m.

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