



**MINUTES OF A MEETING  
of  
THANINGTON WITHOUT PARISH COUNCIL**

**held at  
Ashford Road Community Association Hall, Thanington Without  
on Monday, April 11<sup>th</sup> 2011**

**PRESENT:** - Councillors, Mrs P. Blackman, T. Baker, Mr I. Bain, T. Davis, G. Furness, G. Page, K. Stokes and the Clerk. Visitors – CI Steve Barlow, PCSO C. Ward-Davies, A. Baker.

**CHAIRMAN:** - Councillor Graham Page

**APOLOGIES:** - Cllr T. Maple (Work)

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING:** The Minutes of the March Meeting approved and duly signed by the Chairman.

**1) COUNCIL**

- a) Declaration of any member's interest in agenda items - None
- b) Changes in declaration of member's interest. – None
- c) The Clerk confirmed that payments approved at the March 2011 meeting had been dispatched.
- d) The Clerk confirmed that the Web Site has been updated. Brett had agreed to continue sponsorship and had given cheque for £150 to clerk.
- e) Chief Inspector Steve Barlow said he had been District Commander for 18 months and in the police for 15 years. Budget reductions of 20% over next 4 years would mean 500 less PCs from 3,600 and 1000 less civilians from 2,700, but should not affect service as Home Office mandates have been removed.
  - I.B. PCSO has no power, could they have some. S.B. Labour government brought them in as community support. PCSO have been ring fence for next two years.
  - T.D. Riding bikes on pavements seems to have become the norm. S.B. Do control City Centre with fixed penalties.
  - I.B. Will there be more officers on the beat? S.B. Paperwork has been reduced so some should be freed up.
  - Clerk. What is situation with beggars? S.B. Officers are encouraged to be robust.
  - K.S. Do you expect problems with unlocked parks? S.B. CCC has been asked to re-consider.
  - G.P. Will paperwork done by civilians at present be done by PCs? S.B. No. There should be less paperwork.
- f) PC Election – 7 Cllrs had sent in their papers for re-election. Clerk had not heard from Cllr Uwardi. Cllr T. Davis had not got his in on time so would need to be co-opted. Letter to be sent to C. Uwardi
- g) Harris Charity – Cllr IB suggested that thought be given to giving a cake or bottle to the old people of our parish, it was agreed to make a list. Lloyds Bank change of signatures. Clerk to print out information for next meeting.
- h) Planning applications returns.
  - a. None
- i) Planning Control Reports
  - a. None
- j) Councillors Allowances 2011 /12 for Parish Council Councillor projects

| Councillor          | Total 2011 | Spent   | Remaining |
|---------------------|------------|---------|-----------|
| Cllr Graham Page    | £600.00    | £600.00 | £600.00   |
| Cllr Pam Blackman   | £300.00    | £300.00 | £300.00   |
| Cllr Ian Bain       | £300.00    | £0.00   | £600.00   |
| Cllr Ken Stokes     | £300.00    | £50.00  | £550.00   |
| Cllr Terry Maple    | £300.00    | £0.00   | £600.00   |
| Cllr Graham Furness | £300.00    | £0.00   | £600.00   |
| Cllr Toni Baker     | £300.00    | £0.00   | £600.00   |
| Cllr Chi Chi Uwardi | £300.00    | £0.00   | £600.00   |
| Cllr Terry Davis    | £300.00    | £0.00   | £600.00   |

TD & GF would like to use his allowance to get the mill stone at entrance to Larkey Valley wood re-engraved. Now being ordered.

IB would like to use his allowance to help get benches for the new cycle path. Clerk has asked Four Seasons for quote.

TM would like to help Hilltop Community Association with his allowance. Once lease has been signed with PCC

2) **DEVELOPMENT CONTROL:**

- a) **Agenda**
  - i) 5 April 2011 - Nothing for TWPC
- b) **List of Application**
  - i) Nothing for TWPC
- c) **Supplementary**
  - i) 5 April 2011 - Nothing for TWPC
- d) **Applications**
  - i)
- e) **Decisions**
  - i) None
- f) **Planning Sub-Committee**
  - i) Report

4) **ONGOING PARISH MATTERS:**

- a) Remove tree from by bridge over Stour. Clerk has completed as far as possible and safe. Completed
- b) Speed Watch. Training to be given Saturday 19 March. PC Jez Chittin is contact.. Sat 19 March 2011 Completed
- c) Ordered 4 post with cross member instead of rocks for grass verges on either side of New House Close entrance. Completed.
- d) Road needs to be resurfaced Iffin Lane & Hollow Lane. Ref 25717
- e) Lay-Byes on LHS of Iffin Lane towards Chartham Down are getting bad potholes. Completed
- f) Would clerk ask about wheel chair access to Kingfisher Way from Tonford Lane. Ramps had been promised for bridge. Awaiting funding.
- g) Could we get 1 dog bin & 2 rubbish bins for start of Thanington Road South side. Awaiting CCC
- h) Crazed Road Surface in Ashford Road opposite Bus Stop. Ref 25709
- i) Ashenden Close Oak Tree needs trimming. Ref 25710
- j) Sub Station doors need fixing closed and locked. Ref 25715

5) **APPROVAL OF PAYMENTS:**

| Item                        | Purpose                 | Cheque No | Amount          | Note |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------------|------|
| a)                          | Clerk's Salary April 11 | 200123    | £736.16         |      |
| b)                          | Inland Revenue April 11 | 200124    | £253.73         |      |
| c)                          | Grass Cutting           | 200125    | £126.00         |      |
| d)                          | Litter Picker Poles x 3 | 200126    | £25.95          |      |
| e)                          | Four Seasons            | 200127    | £519.67         |      |
| f)                          | Parish Jobs             | 200128    | £52.92          |      |
| g)                          |                         |           |                 |      |
| h)                          |                         |           |                 |      |
| I)                          |                         |           |                 |      |
| j)                          |                         |           |                 |      |
| <b>Total for April 2011</b> |                         |           | <b>£1714.43</b> |      |

Proposed by Cllr G. Page. Seconded by Cllr I. Bain - These two councillors signed the cheques.

6) **FINANCES:**

- a) HSBC Statement of Treasurer Account movements

| Type                               | Name                    | Paid out  | Paid In   | Balance          | Note            |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|------------------|-----------------|
|                                    | Balance brought forward |           |           | £1,261.94        |                 |
| Tx                                 | Tx from savings         |           | £9,000.00 | £10,261.94       |                 |
| Chqs                               | March cheques           | £7,827.13 |           | £2,434.81        |                 |
| BACS                               | VAT refund              |           | £873.83   | £3,308.64        |                 |
|                                    |                         |           |           |                  |                 |
|                                    |                         |           |           |                  |                 |
| <b>Current balance at 3 Apr 11</b> |                         |           |           | <b>£3,308.64</b> | Sheet 260 match |

- b) HSBC Statement of No-Notice Account
  - i) Current balance at 3 April 2011 **£ 4,246.91 includes £2.27 interest**
- c) POSB Statement of Investment Account
  - i) Current balance at 31 December 2010 **£10,529.27**
  - ii) **£2,905.22** of this is reserved for Clerk's Gratuity

- d) Chairman checked bank statement against minute figures, all correct.
- e) The Clerk presented the 2010-11 accounts and said he would now get them audited.

**7) CORRESPONDENCE:**

- a) *Agenda for Parish Council Meeting (agenda pack)*
- b) *Minutes for Parish Council Meeting (agenda pack)*
- c) Audit Commission Annual Return 2011
- d) Letter from house manager at Warren Lodge.
- e) KALC Letter
- f) BACS VAT refund
- g) Back to Sport
- h) Brett Letter & Cheque
- i) St Nicholas & St Faiths Magazine
- j) Notice on Polling Stations
- k) Standards Committee 23 March 2011
- l) Notice of Parish Councillor elections
- m) Highways Issues and references
- n) HIMN letter
- o) Parish Council Elections
- p) 5 May Elections
- q) North Ward Electoral role
- r) Unsolicited advertising
  - i)

**8) FUTURE PROJECTS**

- a) Larkey Valley Wood –
- b) Footpaths – Cutting has restarted; Clerk has agreed 5% increase in costs.
- c) Hambrook Marsh – Had asked for funding for signs, Clerk had not received request. KHS had changed cattle grids on footpath.
- d) Hanging Banks. – BR has repainted gate at entrance to Thanington Without. He has also been given orange sacks by clerk to do a litter pick in this area.

**9) REPORTS:**

- a) Cllr Pam Blackman had attended the Lord Lieutenant's Service at Canterbury Cathedral.

**10) PARISH AFFAIRS:**

- a) GP
  - i) APM 3 May at ARCA Hall 7:30 GF TB & KS gave appologies.
  - ii) 169 Ashford Road street light ADX006 still not working.
  - iii) Can Canoes use the River Stour? PCSO to find out.
- b) GF
  - i) 131 Strangers Lane Footpath need sattension.
- c) TB
  - i) Puddles on footpath from roadworks. She has reported it.
  - ii) Dog nuisance at start of Thanington Road.
  - iii) Post Office does not think Thanington Road is in Thanington Without.
- d) PCSO
  - i) Trouble in Godwin Road is being taken to court. 3 calls about bike riding.. Crime in Thanington is down.

**NEXT MEETING:** The next Meeting will be held at the ARCA Hall on Monday, **May 9<sup>th</sup> 2011**

**CLOSURE:** There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 21.25