



**MINUTES OF A MEETING
of
THANINGTON PARISH COUNCIL**

**Not held
Due to Coronavirus / Covic-19 Situation Zoom Meeting instead
on Monday, April 6th 2020**

PRESENT: - Councillors, Cllr Mrs Toni Baker, Cllr Adrian Baker, Terry Davis, Terry Maple, Graham Page, Ken Stokes, David Smith and Clerk Roger Cheeseworth.

Visitors –

CHAIRMAN: - Councillor Graham Page

APOLOGIES: - Cllr Nick Eden Green

1) APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING: The Minutes of the March Meeting were unanimously approved and will be signed by the Chairman at next meeting.

2) COUNCIL

- a) The meeting at the resource Centre has been cancelled because of the Covid-19 Coronavirus. Sets of Ghost minutes have been sent out to all Cllrs. And a Zoom meeting was held at 19:00.
- b) Declaration of any member's interest in agenda items - None
- c) Disclosable Pecuniary Interests. – None
- d) Any other interests – None
- e) The Clerk confirmed that payments approved at the March 2020 meeting had been dispatched.
- f) The Clerk confirmed that the Web Site has been updated.
- g) Cllr Maple has finished his checks on new laptop and a report has been sent to all Cllrs. Agenda Item for next meeting. It was agreed that this would be taken forward after crisis. Pro GP Sec AB
- h) Clerk has received a letter from PKF Littlejohn (Auditor) saying that due to Coronavirus audit to be delayed.
- i) Annual Parish Meeting has been delayed due to Virus,
- j) New back-up disc has been made and kept at clerk's office.
- k) Chairman said he had sent out an email about getting a desktop PC for Council. Notes at end of minutes. Pro GP Sec TD. Clerk to order on his Credit Card.

3) DEVELOPMENT CONTROL:

a) List of Application

- i) CA/20/

Decisions

- 1) CA/20/00139 – 33A New House Close – Front Porch - Granted

4) ONGOING PARISH MATTERS:

- a) Cllr Grover had complained to HE about overgrown vegetation on slip road westbound on A2 Ref 441786
- b) Broken stile on footpath by New House farm entrance on RHS to be reported to PROW **191097034**
- c) Footpath sign is missing at start of footpath CB464 in Stranger's Lane. Ref PROW676732 10 weeks max
- d) Bottom of Raised Footpath is deep in mud. Drier weather overtaken this.
- e) Leaves around junc of Hollow Lane & Iffin Lane. Road clean is scheduled. Ref 482427 KHS don't have road sweeper, Now reported to CCC Ref 249936 Completed
- f) Newly laid road surface is breaking up Highways Ref 480467 and Ref 481942 Reported again.Clerk Emailed Highways again. This is back with Highways
- g) Kerb Stone raised reported by Parishioner KHS Ref 482424 (Work being programmed.) Completed
- h) Godwin Road & Cockering Road flytipping along road of shopping trolleys. Taken back to supermarket by Chairman.
- i) Footpath sign at Milton Bridge broken, In the Parish of Chartham. So reported to CPC.
- j) Flytipping in Hanging Bank lay-By. Reported to CCC Ref FLY004180 Completed
- k) Supermarket trolley (B and Q) dumped by litter bin at lower end of Strangers Lane. Completed
- l) Still very unhappy about the lack of action from KHS on Undergrowth blocking footpath by A2 London Bound slip road. Passed to Highways England. Removed as Item 4 a covers this
- m) Footpath between 77 / 79 Thanington Road being pushed up by falling wall. Ref 498634 Does not meet KHS
- n) Graffiti on footpath under A2 bridge in Hollow Lane Raised Footpath. Completed
- o) Drainage of surface water in Iffin Lane, Hollow Lane. Causing damage to road surface. No drains in Lane.
- p) Drivers are ignoring signs and driving wrong way down St Nicholas Road. Reported
- q) 3 Black sacks at bottom of Ingoldsby Alley
- r) Fly tipping at start of Thanington Road Ref FLY004210 plus 2 photos sent to CCC

5) APPROVAL OF PAYMENTS:

Item	Purpose	Cheque No	Amount	Note
a)	Clerk's Salary Apr 2020	200662	£1,046.86	
b)	Inland Revenue Apr 2020	200663	£238.80	
c)	Room Hire / Saxon Field	200664	£0	Cheque not issued
d)	G & C Services	200665	£125.00	
e)	IOTA PC from Amazon	200666	£274.99	Clerks Credit Card
f)	VAT Repayment	200667	£609.05	Paid by BACS on clerks Acc
g)				
h)				
i)				
j)				
Total for Apr 2020			£2,294.70	

Proposed by Cllr G. Page. Seconded by Cllr T. Maple. These two councillors signed the cheques.

6) FINANCES:

Type	Name	Paid out	Paid In	Balance	Note
	Balance brought forward			£3,935.43	
CR	HMRC VTR		£609.05	£4,544.48	Incorrect Refund
CR	Robert Brett		£150.00	£4,694.48	Web Site Donation
CR	HMRC VTR		£429.55	£5,124.03	Correct Refund
Chqs	March Payments	£1,410.71		£3,713.32	
Treasurer Account Current balance at 3 Apr 20				£3,713.32	Sheet 376 match

7) ACCOUNTING:

- a) HSBC Statement of No-Notice Account
 i) Current balance at 3 Mar 2020 sheet 127 **£10,334.15**
- b) POSB Statement of Investment Account No 138409843
 i) Current balance at 1 January 2020 **£11,132.02**
- a) Current Account Statement was checked against bank statement. No-Notice account was checked against bank statements.
- b) Breakdown of Clerk's Salary

Basic	Re-imburement	Travel	Additional	PAYE	Total
£1193.79	£91.87	£0.00	£0.00	£238.80	£1,046.86

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- c) Council Project Accounts

Project	Lead	Date	Item Total	£3000.00
Parish Council Computer	Chairman	6/4/2020	£274.90	£2725.01

8) CORRESPONDENCE:

- a) Agenda for Parish Council Meeting (agenda pack)
- b) Minutes for Parish Council Meeting (agenda pack)
- c) Report to Parish Council by Cllr Terry Maple (agenda pack)
- d) Email from PKF Littlejohn on 2019/20 AGAR (agenda pack)
- e) Hambrook Marsh Newsletter Feb 2020
- f) Report graffiti confirmation
- g) Unsolicited advertising – None

9) **REPORTS:**

a) Cllr DS

Present; Richard Norman (Chair), Nick Eden Green, Sian Pettman, Pat Marsh, Hillary Newport (CPRE), Camilla Swire, Dave Smith. Meeting held via ZOOM conferencing software.

Basic notes;

1/ All introduced themselves and the organisation they represented. It was felt this matter needs to be NON POLITICAL.

2/ The main focus was the proposed Park and Ride modification at Wincheap and the proposal to extend it over the Hambrook water Meadows. Various scheme alternatives are available, though cost could be the driver, not the best solution, unless we are careful? The present pandemic situation may well have an influence here particularly with its impact on budgets? Though it was accepted that this is key to other aspects of development in this area

3/ This P&R/SLIP ROAD MODIFICATION is currently under JR review, lead by CPRE and LOVE HAMBROOK MARSHES. The issue being the hair pin bend at the top of the new slip road design.

4/ Funds are being raised to cover the costs of the JR, and the fundraising is looking good to date to achieve the target. Expectation for the JR are considered good? With the objective to prevent the water meadow being built on What will be the final design is still unclear until the JR and discussions are resolved. CPRE are leading this JR with LOVE HAMBROOK MARSHES

5/ The whole proposal of the 4th slip road is under review & on hold, with HIGHWAY ENGLAND objecting to the current proposal. So discussions are ongoing between PENTLAND HIGHWAYS ENGLAND & CCC to examine the current situation and possible alternatives.

6/ It was felt that there could be a benefit if local groups developing a plan for the Wincheap and Thanington development, based on local requirements? Rather than let a drafted proposal by the Developers, HE and CCC, have very little local involvement. Then this put forward without any real detail long term local strategy and local involvement? The WINSOC have already pulled some thoughts together on their vision.

7/ Concern was expressed re the enforcement of planning requirements and design details by CCC. There is a resource problem with this in CCC planning dept, but the policing of development needs to be carried out. It was suggested that discussions on how this can be achieved take place??? Also if there is a potential breach of conditions how this is tackled?

8/ Experience with the ZOOM conferencing was very positive and it worked well.

10) **PARISH AFFAIRS:**

a) T.B.

i) Dog Poo in alley down from Cockering Road.

b) GP

i) Corner of Godwin Road - three tyres, some bits of wood and a large baker's tray. Included in 4h

Firstly, as per my email to councillors dated 3rd April 2020, I would like to propose that we ask Roger to proceed with the purchase of a pc (details shown with my original email) at a cost of £274.99.

The contents of my email were not made available to Angela, as she doesn't have email access, nor to Terry Davis. (Unfortunately, my phone has developed over the last couple of years an aversion to email addresses which are btinternet.com. Some it will accept, others it will refuse to send an email to or respond to an email! Unfortunately, Terry Davis' email address is one of those!!)

Have read latest crime figures for Thanington (March 2020). They make depressing reading! No wonder the PCSOs don't come along to our meetings! No arrests made, no convictions. This is the same story month after month!! Whilst I appreciate the PCSOs spend time at the TNRC gaining the trust of the youngsters and "intelligence gathering ", more time needs to be spent on old fashioned policing - on the beat!

It is all very well stating in the report time after time that reassurance given to residents, but I think the reassurance they need is the news that the blighters have been apprehended!!

Surely someone must see who is climbing the Godwin Road scaffolding regularly!

Since last PC meeting, some very deep potholes mid way down Strangers Lane have been marked out for repair by Kent Highways.

Pavement badly damaged outside 83 Thanington Road. A considerable number of paving slabs are cracked and uneven. This was commented upon around a year (or more) ago, by Angela and myself, but at that stage major rebuilding work was going on with the property with large builders vehicles being parked partly on the pavement daily, and we decide no action at that stage. Now that building work is now complete and the property lived in. To be frank, it's pretty obvious that the builder's vehicles caused the damage in the first place, but I can't prove it! The photo on google earth shows very clearly the damage!! Clerk advised that KHS don't propose to take any action at this stage. But photo to be taken and sent to KHS some time in future.

Chairman thanked everyone for taking part in this meeting and said he was happy that it had worked well. Chairman then said Clerk had done an outstanding job in getting this Zoom meeting organised and all Cllrs up to speed before the meeting.

NEXT MEETING: The next Meeting will be held at the Thanington Resource Centre on **Monday, May 4th 2020.**

CLOSURE: There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 19:55