

WOODCHURCH PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the meeting held in the Memorial Hall, Woodchurch on Monday 27 September 2010, at 7.30 pm

PRESENT: Mr J Robinson (chair), Mrs J Haynes, Miss R Dewar, Mrs J Robinson,
Mr J Cridge and Mr A Mobbs

PARISH CLERK: Mrs J Batt.

BOROUGH COUNCILLORS: Mrs A Hicks

COUNTY COUNCILLOR:

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC: There were 5 Members of the Public present

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An Apology for Absence has been received from Mr J West (Scouts)
Councillors unanimously agreed to approve Mr West's absence.
No apology was received from Mr McGrath or Mr Steer.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest.

i) Updating of Declarations of Interest for the Code of Conduct

Councillors are reminded that they should update their Declarations of Interest
with the Monitoring Officer if necessary.

3. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the July meeting were accepted and it was unanimously agreed that
Mr Robinson should sign them as a true record of the meeting.
Proposed Mr Cridge Seconded Mrs Haynes

The minutes of the Planning Meeting held in August were accepted and it was unanimously
agreed that Mrs Haynes should sign them as a true record of the meeting.

Proposed Mr Cridge Seconded Mr Mobbs

4. MEETING ADJOURNED FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AND RECONVENED

The meeting was opened to Members of the Public from 7.37 – 8.10 for questions and
comments.

5. PLANNING

Please see attached list.

6. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

Mr Cridge reported that he had ~~not received any replies~~ to the forms he sent to residents in Redbrook Street regarding the junction, ~~so~~ ^{BUT} no further action will be taken.

Mr Robinson will meet with Mrs Boxer to discuss Green Lane.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

KCC – EIS Customer Survey
KALC Finance Conference
No Need for Nuclear
KALC Parish News etc
Wicksteed Customer Satisfaction Survey
KALC re Concurrent Functions Working Group
AwCRK Kent Community Halls Conference 2010
ABC Minute of Parish Forum held 14.07.10
Clerk and Councils Direct
KHS Speed Limit Review
Ashford Gateway
KALC Minutes of July Meeting and Agenda for 06.10.10
KCC re Local Transparency
S & C Slatter
The Bulletin
KCC Minerals and Waste Development Framework – Core Strategy
Mr Boxer re Brown Signs

EMAIL CORRESPONDENCE

Councillors do not wish to take part in the Bagged Salt Trial.

KHS contacted us regarding the overhanging Willow Trees at the bottom of The Green on Front Road. Mr Robinson will contact a Tree Surgeon to discuss this and report back.

Mr Robinson brought the attention of those present to the email in which it stated that the length of a sewer between a property and the road is no longer the responsibility of the owner of the property. He will also write to Southern Water regarding sewerage problems in the village.

Mr Cridge sent Mr Robinson an email he received from a resident offering free trees. Councillors were asked for ideas as to where the trees could be planted.

Following the scoping report regarding Pond Farm, Mr Robinson and Mr Cridge met with a representative of Fridays and they appear to have taken note of all our concerns. All trailers will now be covered when they are brought through the village. ~~We objected to the 100% increase in the number of sheds and they are now only proposing a 40% increase.~~ They are also addressing the issues regarding the increased amount of traffic. An Environmental Assessment will have to be undertaken.

Mr Robinson will talk to Jennie Wickenden about replacing the Brown Tourist Signs when he meets with her.

CHILD PROTECTION POLICY

This issue arose after the agenda was printed but councillors agreed to discuss it at this point.

Following the grant application form we sent in applying for help with funding the Community Exercise Equipment, we received an email asking for a copy of our Child Protection Policy. As no such policy was in place one was drawn up and circulated to councillors during the last week. Councillors agreed to adopt the policy and it will be forwarded to KCC.

Resolution: Councillors unanimously agreed to adopt the Child Protection Policy and Mr Jamie Robinson agreed to act as Child Protection Officer for Woodchurch Parish Council.

8. ACCOUNTS AND OTHER GENERAL COUNCIL BUSINESS

The following accounts were paid during the summer recess:-

PAYEE	NET £	VAT £	GROSS £	DETAILS
Mr D Norris	212.33		212.33	Litter Picking
Came & Co	25.00		25.00	Insurance for 2 benches
P S Property Services	380.00		380.00	Green Maintenance

Councillors Haynes, Robinson and Mobbs agreed to pay these accounts.

Account Balance:-

Opening Balance	£28547.81	Money Managers a/c	£19776.17
Plus Receipts	<u>12944.08</u>		
	41491.89		
Less Payments	<u>21665.72</u>	Community Account	<u>50.00</u>
	<u>19826.17</u>		<u>19826.17</u>

Earmarked Funds:-

Including amounts included in 2010/2011 budget.

	Balance	+/- Sept	Balance
Election/Standards Committee	5000.00		5000.00
Bus Shelter	NIL		NIL
Contingencies	4540.74		4540.74
Community Exercise Equipment	NIL		NIL

Accounts to be Paid

PAYEE	NET £	VAT £	GROSS £	DETAILS
Mrs J Batt	1005.92	3.86	1009.78	Salary and Expenses – Aug/Sept
Mrs J Batt	22.09	3.87	25.96	2 x PVC Brooms
Mr D Norris	212.33		212.33	Litter Picking
Mr J Cridge	30.00		30.00	Paid to Mr George for Rehanging Noticeboard
P S Property Services	185.00		185.00	Green Maintenance

Resolution: Councillors unanimously resolved to pass the above for payment.

Insurance

We have received a replacement policy which includes the 2 new benches.

The Clerk gave Mrs Robinson the replacement policy and the Fixed Asset Register to double check.

Charities

The Mandate form will be returned to the CCLA.

Website

Nothing to report

Village Green Bye-laws

No action was deemed necessary. The 1925 Bye-Laws are the only legally binding document in existence and Councillors are satisfied that they are quite comprehensive.

Resolution: Councillors unanimously agreed to accept the Bye-Laws as they stand.

Village Youth Forum

Mr Banyard reported on the Forum during the Public Interval. Twenty two youths turned up to the first meeting, but unfortunately adult support was poor. The Club hopes to meet on the 1st Thursday of each month and Mr Banyard asked for help from any adults who were available. Mr Robinson asked anyone who is able to, to support Mr Banyard and the club.

Public Toilets

Nothing to report.

Annual Play Area Inspection

We received the report from Digley Associates. The risk rating on all the items in the play area was considered as low or very low. Councillors will address the issues over the next few months.

Proposed Change of Meeting Nights

Following discussion it was agreed to change meeting nights to the 2nd Friday of each month at 7pm from 14th January, provided the annexe is free.

August Meeting 2011

It was agreed that a meeting will be held in August in future, but that the only agenda items will be finance and planning unless anything else cannot wait until the September meeting.

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Village Hall

A film show is due to be held and a Railway Exhibition is planned for the 31 October.

10. ITEMS TO BE REPORTED TO THE COUNTY LENGTHSMEN/PROW

Due to a business commitment Mr Robinson did not meet with Jennie Wickenden as planned.

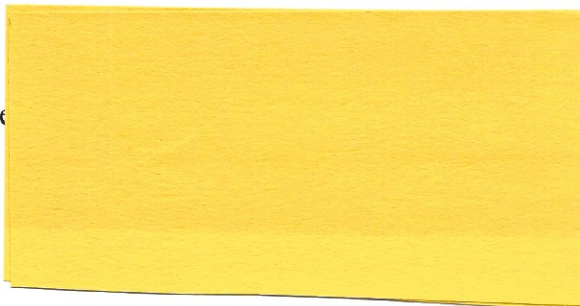
He will contact her to arrange another appointment.

11. FORUM FOR EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION BETWEEN COUNCILLORS

There have been a number of break-ins around the village recently and lawn mowers have been stolen. All such thefts should be reported to the police on 01622 690690.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.05 pm.

Sign



Dated

25/10/10

WOODCHURCH PARISH COUNCIL

PLANNING APPLICATION RECORD

2010

DECISIONS TAKEN AT MEETING HELD 27 SEPTEMBER 2010

- 10/01176/AS Mr J Gormley, Plurenden Manor Farm, Plurenden Lane, High Halden,
Ashford, Kent TN26 3JW
Erection of a cubicle to house dairy cows
Parish Council: No decision taken as Councillor Hicks reported that this application has been granted
- 10/00138/TC Mr N Hawkes, Well House, 30-32 Front Road, Woodchurch,
Ashford, Kent TN26 3QE
T1 – Ash –fell
Parish Council: Supported
- 10/00144/TC Mrs S Hay, 39 The Green, Woodchurch, Ashford, Kent TN26 3PF
T1 – Ash – trimmed by 50%; T2 – Cherry Plum – trimmed by 50%
Parish Council: Supported
- 10/00145/TP 74 Shirkoak Park, Woodchurch, Ashford, Kent TN26 3RR
T1 – Oak – To crown lift to give 1.5m clearance over building
Parish Council: Supported