

WOODCHURCH PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the meeting held in the Memorial Hall Annexe, Woodchurch on Friday 25 November 2011 at 7.00 pm

PRESENT: Mr J Robinson (chair), Miss R Dewar, Mrs J Haynes, Mrs J Robinson,
Mr T Sheridan, Mr P Spice and Mr R Woods

PARISH CLERK: Mrs J Batt

BOROUGH COUNCILLORS: Mr P Davison for part of the meeting

COUNTY COUNCILLOR:

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC: There was one Member of the Public present.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An Apology for Absence was received from Mrs G Davies (prior engagement) and Mr J West (prior engagement).

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 October meeting were accepted and it was unanimously agreed that Mr Robinson should sign them as a true record of the meeting.

Proposed Mrs Haynes Seconded Mr Spice

4. PUBLIC INTERVAL

The meeting was opened to Members of the Public present from 7.02 – 7.24 for questions and comment.

5. PLANNING

Please see attached list.

Stephanie Viney will consult with Southern Water regarding application no 11/01153/AS. KHS do not consider there to be a problem with the application

Arrangements for discussing applications received after publication of the agenda

Deferred until next meeting.

6. MATTERS ARISING

The chains for the swings have been ordered.

Mr West and the scouts will take over responsibility for planting the Crocus bulbs next year.

We are still waiting to hear from Mr Banyard with regard to the offer by Charlton Athletic to undertake football coaching in the village.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

KCC re grounds maintenance

KALC Minutes of meeting held 05.10.11

COIF

Clerk and Councils Direct

KHS Survey

ABC Standards Committee

Office of Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant of Kent

Mr Fogden

Mr Puckey

Moat

Victim Support

ABC re Rural Sports Project

KHS Tracker Survey

8. EMAIL CORRESPONDENCE

The following were brought to the attention of councillors present:-

Mrs S Buckle re Cob Tree Meadow

Mrs Hicks re Cob Tree Meadow

Mr Davison re cob Tree Meadow

KALC re Localism Bill

ABC Planning re application no 11/01153/AS

The following was received from Mr Banyard:-

Please accept my apologies as I can't attend the next meeting due to other commitments.

Overall it has been a quiet month although I have been warning residents not to keep their door keys hidden under mats or flower pots as a man has recently been seen looking in these places in the Hamstreet area. I spoke to the owner of the dog seen fouling as requested at the last meeting and they were very apologetic and have assured me it won't happen again.

I am planning to attend the following meeting so hopefully I will see you then.

9. ACCOUNTS AND OTHER GENERAL COUNCIL BUSINESS**Account Balance:-**

Opening Balance £27516.66

Plus Receipts 28196.69

55713.35

Less Payments 11217.4144495.94

Money Managers a/c £47122.00

Less u/c cheques 2676.06

44445.94

Plus Community a/c 50.0044495.94

Earmarked Funds:-

| | |
|------------------------------|-----------------|
| | Balance |
| Election/Standards Committee | 5000.00 |
| Contingencies | |
| Budget 2011/2012 | 7040.74 |
| TOTAL | 12040.74 |

Accounts to be Paid

| PAYEE | NET £ | VAT £ | GROSS £ | DETAILS |
|-----------------------|---------------|----------|---------------|-------------------|
| Mrs J Batt | 484.68 | | 484.68 | Salary |
| | 74.49 | | 74.49 | Expenses |
| P S Property Services | 185.00 | | 185.00 | Green Maintenance |
| TOTAL | 744.17 | | 744.17 | |

Budget 2012-2013

Mr Robinson handed councillors a copy of the proposed budget. This was discussed and will be ratified at the next meeting.

A quote from KCC Landscape Services for cutting the grass on The Green was received during the month. The quote is for £49.38 per cut.

Resolution: Councillors unanimously agreed to accept the quotation from KCC Landscape Services for cutting the grass for the 2012 growing season.

Resolution: Councillors unanimously agreed not to increase the Precept. The amount requested from ABC for 2012-2013 will be £20,000.

Clerk's Expenses

It was unanimously agreed, following the audit to increase the payment to the Clerk to £3 per week to cover the use of the computer and telephone.

Risk Assessment

Nothing to report.

Website

Nothing to report.

Village Youth Forum

Nothing to report.

Report for Parish Magazine

Miss Dewar will compile a report on the meeting held on 18 November to discuss celebrations for the Queen's Diamond Jubilee.

Local Needs Housing

Nothing to report. To be removed from future agendas.

Queen's Jubilee Celebrations

Nineteen representatives from local organisations attended the meeting on 18 November to discuss the celebrations to be held over the weekend of 2 and 3 June 2012.

Among the suggestions made were:-

A church service to be held on The Green

Windmill to be dressed and open to visitors

The lighting of a beacon

Houses decorated

A permanent sign commemorating the event erected in the village

The Film Society will video the event.

Each organisation will pay £60 towards the cost of the event.

Another meeting has been arranged for 12 January 2012.

Litter Bins

Some of the bins need replacement liners. Mr Robinson will measure them and send the details to the Clerk who will find a supplier.

War Memorial

Funding for repairs to the War Memorial has been secured by a parishioner. To be removed from future agendas.

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS**The Green**

The Clerk was asked to contact the Football Club regarding the fact that the 2 minutes silence on Remembrance Sunday was compromised by the noise from the football match. The Football Team will be informed that they must not arrange a match on Remembrance Sunday in future.

Mr Munday has quoted £45 to paint the benches.

Resolution: Councillors accepted the above quote.

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

Mr Robinson is due to meet with the Highways Steward to discuss various highway issues in the next week.

A meeting has also been arranged with the developers of Woodchurch House to discuss the removal of the trees, to help with drainage and the lighting.

12. FORUM FOR EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION BETWEEN COUNCILLORS

The Clerk was asked to write and inform Mrs Cross that we want the owner of Shirkoak Park to replace the trees that he has recently felled.

There being no further business the meeting was closed to members of the public at 8.17 pm.

13. PERSONNEL ISSUES

We have received 3 applications for the position of Litter Picker/Sweeper. One was from a minor and the Clerk will reply to her, thanking her for her application but informing her that we are unable to employ anyone under the age of 18 years.

Mr Robinson and one other councillor will interview the remaining 2 applicants and appoint the person he considers to be the most suitable.

We will ask Mrs Stone to train the successful candidate.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.24 pm.

Signed



..... Dated 16/12/11



WOODCHURCH PARISH COUNCIL

PLANNING APPLICATION RECORD

2011

DECISIONS TAKEN AT MEETING HELD 25 ^{NOVEMBER}~~OCTOBER~~ 2011

- 11/01048/AS Mrs S Bristow, Cob Tree Meadows, Brook Street, Woodchurch,
Ashford, Kent TN26 3SZ
Change of use of land for the stationing of 2 static caravans, the erection of a day
room and kennels for one gypsy family
- 11/01048/AS Amendment to above to read:-
Change of use of land for the stationing of 2 static caravans, the erection of a day room
for one gypsy family
Parish Council: OBJECT
**Councillors challenge the legality of this application, as there
is an Enforcement Order in place, following the decision by
HM Inspector to deny the appeal.**
**The Parish Council has always strongly objected to that
Planning application and continues to do so in this case.**
**COUNCILLORS WOULD LIKE THIS APPLICATION TO
BE SUBMITTED TO THE BOROUGH COUNCIL
PLANNING COMMITTEE IF THE OFFICER US MINDED
TO APPROVE IT**
- 11/01255/AS Mr D Blundell, The Wonder, Redbrook Street, Woodchurch,
Ashford, Kent TN26 3QT
Replacement of existing dwelling with a 3 bed chalet bungalow
Parish Council: Support

Decision notices received from Ashford Borough Council

- 11/00882/AS Mr C Dawes, Millands, Bethersden Road, Woodchurch,
Ashford, Kent TN26 3QW
Installation of 18 solar panels onto the south facing roof elevation
Borough Council: Permit
- 10/01588/AS 108 Shirkoak Park, Woodchurch, Ashford, Kent TN26 3RR
Application for Lawful Development Certificate – existing – use of land as a
residential caravan site accommodating an additional e mobile homes
Borough Council: Existing Use/Development is Not Lawful