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MINUTES 90

Minutes of the meeting held in the Memorial Hall Annexe, Woodchurch on Friday 13 December 2013 at 7.00 pm

PRESENT:

Mr J West (chair), Miss R Dewar, Mrs J Haynes, Mrs D Penn

Mr A Hukins, Mr P Spice and Mr R Woods Inspector Judd, Kent Police and PCSO Gary Carr

Three members of Woodchurch Primary School Governing Body

PARISH CLERK:

Mrs J Batt

BOROUGH COUNCILLOR: Mrs A Hicks and Mr P Davison

COUNTY COUNCILLOR: Mr M Angell

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC: There were 3 Members of the Public present for part of the meeting.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An Apology for Absence was received from Mrs G Davies (personal reasons), Mr A Faiers (prior engagement).

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Declarations of Pecuniary Interest

There were no Declarations of Pecuniary Interest.

Declarations of Significant Interest

There were no Declarations of Significant 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 last meeting held were accepted and it was unanimously agreed that Mr West should sign them as a true record of the meeting.

Proposed Mrs Haynes Second

Seconded Mr Spice

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4. MEETING ADJOURNED FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AND RECONVENED

The meeting was opened to Members of the Public present from 7.07 - 7.14 pm for questions and comments.

5. <u>DISCUSSION WITH MR COLE, POLICY MANAGER, ABC</u>

Mr Cole sent his apologies as he was unable to attend this meeting due to illness. The Clerk will invite him to the January meeting.

6. DISCUSSION WITH INSPECTOR JUDD

A discussion took place regarding the problems with parking at the school.

Inspector Judd informed the meeting that only one incident had been logged during the last year and that there was no record of any accidents in the vicinity of the school.

Any request for double yellow lines on the road outside the school, has to be made to KCC via ABC.

PCSO Carr attends the school and talks to parents from time to time.

The Governors informed the meeting that they were very concerned for the safety of the children in their care and included a request to parents to park sensibly in every school newsletter.

Various suggestions were put forward with regard to this issue but no conclusion was reached.

PCSO Carr suggested the Governors contact River Primary School, as they had experienced similar problems to those of Woodchurch and had recently purchased some bollards for use on the road outside the school at drop off and pick up times.

7. PLANNING

Please see attached list.

8. VILLAGE MATTERS

Stony Lane

Deferred to next meeting.

Bus Shelter outside of Doctors Surgery

Mr Hukins updated councillors on the progress of this project. He is waiting for confirmation from KCC that the grass verge is public highway. Provided it is then there should be enough room on the grass to lay a solid base and erect the shelter. The cost of the shelter will be in the region of £2699.

9. MATTERS ARISING

Mr Faiers fitted the replacement cradle swing seat.

10. ACCOUNTS AND OTHER GENERAL COUNCIL BUSINESS

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Charity Account Balances

Sir Edward Hales Charity - £7816.70 Sir Edward Hales Charity - £303.01 Woodchurch Windmill - £1045.13 Woodchurch Windmill - £4280.68

Earmarked Funds

	Balance	+/-	Balance	
	25.09.13	Nov	22.11.13	
Election/Standards Committee	5000.00		5000.00	
Contingencies	9040.74		9040.74	
Maintenance on War Memorial	1151.02	173.00	978.02	
Diamond Jubilee	NIL		NIL	
Play Area	1322.00	122.61	1199.39	
Village Trees	600.00		600.00	
	17113.76	295.61	16818.15	

Bank Reconciliation

Account Balance		Balance at Bank	
Opening Balance	46938.92	Money Manager Account	53678.62
Plus Receipts	47507.93	Less uncleared cheques	2994.14
	94446.85		50684.48
	43712.37	Plus Community Account	50.00
	50734.48		50734.48

Accounts to be Paid

PAYEE	NET £	VAT £	GROSS £	DETAILS
Mrs J Batt	499.86			Salary
	23.51		523.37	Expenses
Mr D Fogden	209.50		209.50	Salary
Commercial Services Trading Ltd	457.65	91.53	549.18	Grass Cutting
Woodchurch Memorial Hall	210.00		210.00	Rent for 2014
D Grabham	320.00		320.00	Green Maintenance
TOTAL	1720.52	91.53	1812.05	

Resolution: Councillors unanimously agreed to pay the above accounts.

Proposed: Mrs Haynes Seconded Mr Faiers

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Budget and Setting of Precept for 2014/2015

We are still waiting for the figures from ABC, so that we can complete the budget.

Website

Figures for the last month are as follows:-

951 visits

804 visitors

2345 pages viewed

72% new visits

The most popular pages were the Home Page, Memorial Hall, Doctors, Bus Timetable and the Parish Council minutes.

We now have 109 subscribers to the E Newsletter.

Report for Parish Magazine

There is no magazine in January.

Insurance

Nothing to report.

War Memorial Cleaning

Defer to January.

11. CORRESPONDENCE/EMAIL CORRESPONDENCE

Southern Water Resources Update

ABC Agenda for Parish Forum 11.12.13

 $Southern\ Water-draft\ Water\ Resources\ Management\ Plan-Statement\ of\ Response\ following\ public\ consultation$

EMAIL CORRESPONDENCE

Councillors unanimously agreed that they would no longer send read receipts. The Clerk was told to assume that all emails forwarded by her had been read by councillors. Any emails of importance will be flagged.

12. HIGHWAY ISSUES

The Clerk was asked to report the pothole outside the Post Office again. 17137824

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13. FORUM FOR EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION BETWEEN COUNCILLORS

Mrs Penn asked whether there was anything to report on the proposed solar farm. No information has been received to date.

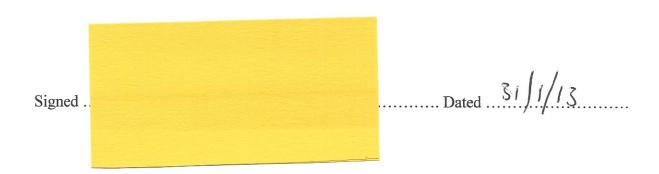
Mrs Penn expressed concern at the speed of traffic travelling along Brook Street.

The Clerk was asked to write to KHS and complain that the roads were not gritted en before the heavy frosts on Tuesday and Wednesday nights.

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Mr Spice suggested buying 10 storage boxes for the minutes to be packed into so that they can be taken to KCC at Maidstone for archiving. Councillors agreed with this suggestion.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.50 pm



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PLANNING APPLICATION RECORD

2013

DECEMBER 2013

13/01296/AS Mobile Home, Maywood Stud, Boldshaves Lane, Woodchurch, Kent

Proposed detached dwelling Parish Council: Support

1301342/AS The Chapel, Back Lane, Woodchurch, Ashford, Kent TN26 3QG

Erection of a timber shed, timber summerhouse and timber and glass potting shed/

greenhouse

Parish Council: Support

Decision Notices received from ABC

13/00888/AS Stonebridgelands, Front Road, Woodchurch, Ashford, Kent TN26 3SL

Listed

Single storey extension to house to form garden room

Building

Borough Council: Refuse

Consent

13/00889/AS Stonebridgelands, Front Road, Woodchurch, Ashford, Kent TN26 3SL

Proposed garage/carport with studio flat above

Borough Council: Permit

13/01048/AS Stonebridge farmhouse, Brook Street, Woodchurch, Ashford, Kent TN26 3SN

1. Erection of conservatory to side

2. Listed Building for same, removal of bay window and installation of French doors

Borough Council: Refuse

13/01157/AS 91 Front Road, Woodchurch, Ashford, Kent TN26 3SF

Proposed single storey rear extension

Borough Council: Permit