

MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL, TROTTISCLIFFE
ON THURSDAY 1ST JULY 2010

PRESENT: Mrs Ann Kemp (Chairman)
Mr Richard Wallis (Vice Chairman)
Mr Martin Collins
Mr Peter Laite
Mr Mike Merryfield Day
Mrs Frances Merryfield Day (Clerk)

Distribution: Those present SH, MB, TL & JW & File

80/10 Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Mrs Sarah Hohler, Mr Matthew Balfour and Mr John Wickham.

81/10 Minutes of the meetings held on 10th June 2010

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 10th June were signed as a true record.

82/10 Declarations of interest

Mrs Ann Kemp declared an interest in 87/10 Village Hall committee.

83/10 Matters arising

A card for Mrs Stella Sudds retirement was passed round for signing.

84/10 County Councillor's Report.

No report.

85/10 Borough Councillor's Report

No report.

86/10 Members of the public

None.

87/10 Delegates' Reports

Village Hall – Mr Mike Day asked if the contractors for Trottiscliffe School would cut the short run of hedge to the left of the entrance to the car park when they were cutting the hedge outside the school. It was agreed to speak to the school in September.

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Mrs Ann Kemp said she would be meeting a representative of the Montessorri Day Nursery on 21st July. She was still concerned about the extra traffic in the morning and asked for the agreement of the Parish Council to suggest that the dropping off and collecting times were staggered with the school times.

88/10 Highways, Footways and Footpaths

88.1 Mr Richard Wallis, a resident of Green Lane, had received a letter from KCC asking if he would contribute towards resurfacing of the lane. The Parish Council had no further knowledge of the proposals. Green Lane was an unadopted road and also a bridleway.

88.2 A resident of Green Lane had complained that their car was being scratched by overhanging vegetation. Mr Mike Day had cut back the hedge outside the allotments and Mr and Mrs Rogers were to cut back the grass and brambles on the other side, which would hopefully solve the problem. Mr Martin Collins kindly agreed to look after this in future.

88.3 A member of public had complained that horses were still using footpath MR186 and felt the notice was too small. The Clerk to speak to the PROW Officer FD to see if anything further could be done.

88.4 Consideration was still being given to the posts on the village green and Mr Jeremy Comber had suggested that the corner outside the White House should be taken off to make it easier for larger vehicles and reduce the damage.

89/10 Recreation Ground and Allotments

Mr Bob Parkin had repaired the gate into the children's play area and put a notice on the gate saying "NO DOGS".

Mr Mike Day to organize a sign at the entrance to the recreation ground saying "CHILDREN USE THIS AREA PLEASE CLEAR UP AFTER YOUR DOG Trottscliffe Parish Council".

90/10 Planning

Application TM/09/03247/EL – Land forming part of Addington Quarry – new electricity generating stations and overhead lines. No objections. Await decision.

Application TM/10/00473/FL - The Nursery, Taylors Lane, Trottscliffe – replacement agricultural building, workshop and office, replacement of glasshouse with two polytunnels, revised parking and access. Granted with conditions.

Application TM/10/00518/FL – Cedarwood Farm, Wrotham Water Road, Wrotham Heath – erection of barn. Object. Await decision.

Application - TM/10/00849/LB – repositioning of gas boiler to first floor. No objections. Granted.

Application TM/10/TEMP/0020 – Hanson Aggregates - request for extension of time to complete sand extraction. No objections.

Application TM/10/01435/RD – Land south of Walnut Tree Farm, Addington Lane, Trottscliffe – Details submitted pursuant to condition 3 and condition 4 of Planning permission TM/09/00780/FL. Concerns expressed.

Application TM/10/01595/FL – Freestanding garage. Object.

91/10 Finance

The June 2010 statement of receipts and monies outstanding was accepted as below.

Payments received

None

Payments made

Kent County Playing Fields Association - annual subscription £20.00

Payments outstanding

H M Revenue & Customs (repayment of money paid twice
by them).....£126.59
 Clerk’s salary & expenses April – June.....£893.21
 R J Parkin – work on play area.....£73.00

91.1 It was agreed that the Clerk would produce a statement of the current position of finances against budget at the October meeting. FD

92/10 Correspondence

The following correspondence had been circulated:-

- KALC - Parish News
- CPRE - Magazine
- TMBC - Joint Transportation Board
- Sevenoaks DC Local Development Framework
- Nick Chard KCC - Integrated Transport Programme 2010/2011
- TMBC - Draft Statement of Licensing Policy

93/10 Any other business

93.1 Mr and Mrs Jimmy Kemp and Mr and Mrs Mike Day would be attending the Open Day at the new pumping station at South East Water Works on 2nd July.

93.2 Mr Richard Wallis noted that car access had been made into the first Water Works cottage in Ford Lane. The Clerk to advise the Enforcement Officer. FD

93.3 Mrs Ann Kemp had received several complaints about the noise from the Musical Festival and several complaints had been made direct. The event did have a Temporary Events Notice and only the police can object but they had no grounds to do so. However, because the event did cause inconvenience Tonbridge & Malling will put a noise abatement notice on any future application.

93.4 It was agreed that in future minutes would not be forwarded to the Downs Mail because of misreporting and not conveying the true picture on more than one occasion.

93.4 It was noted that The George had put up a sign requesting people not to park in the road and had opened up more parking space.

93.5 Mrs Ann Kemp said that she was having considerable problems with the website and that it might be necessary to get further help.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9 pm.

NEXT MEETING: Thursday 2nd September 2010 in the Village Hall at 7.45 pm.

Chairman Date.....