

MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL, TROTTISCLIFFE
ON THURSDAY 6TH JANUARY 2011

PRESENT: Mrs Ann Kemp (Chairman) (AK)
Mr Richard Wallis (Vice Chairman) RW
Mr Peter Laite (PL)
Mr Trevor Ledamun (TL)
Mr Mike Merryfield Day (MD)
Mr John Wickham (JW)
Mrs Frances Merryfield Day (Clerk)
Distribution: Those present MC, SH, MB & File

01/11 Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Mr Martin Collins, Mrs Sarah Hohler and Mr Matthew Balfour.

02/11 Minutes of the meeting held on 4th November 2010

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 4th November were signed as a true record.

03/11 Declarations of interest

RW declared an interest in Planning Application TM/10/03464/FL.

04/11 Matters arising

- 4.1 Morrisons, the contractors who worked on Pinesfield Lane were appreciative of the comments received from the Parish Council.
- 4.2 It had been agreed that a dog bin would be placed in Green Lane near the end of the footpath.
- 4.3 A letter had been received from a resident in Pinesfield Lane who thought that the new notice board was too small. The notice board had been provided free of charge with a small charge for fixing whereas a new larger board would cost somewhere in the region of £1,000.00. After much discussion it was agreed that the notice board was for Parish Council notices only for which it would be adequate and would be kept locked, as the previous one. Members were asked to canvass the opinions of residents and, if the general consensus was that they would find such a facility useful, the Parish Council would look at it again.
- 4.4 PL felt that that the snow plough had not covered the full length of Pilgrims Way during the recent snow and asked that this should be addressed in future. It was agreed that the Parish Council should apply for salt bags when the next heavy fall of snow occurred and engage someone to allocate it. This would also help the resident from Taylors Lane who had requested salt at the crossroads of Taylors Lane/Church Lane and Wrotham Water Road.

05/11 County Councillor's Report.

No report.

06/11 Borough Councillor's Report

No report.

07/11 Members of the public

None.

08/11 Delegates' Reports

TL had attended the AGM of KALC and a meeting of the Crime Prevention Panel, reports attached.

09/11 Highways, Footways and Footpaths

9.1 Fencing and replacement of the "squeeze" at the entrances to footpath MR187 had been carried out.

9.2 TL to contact Highways regarding bollards for the village green.

TL

10/11 Recreation Ground and Allotments

10.1 The "camel" for the play area had been ordered and delivered and would be erected when the weather improved.

10.2 The remains of the bonfire in the recreation ground would also be cleared as soon as the weather allowed.

11/11 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/10/01435/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. Await decision.

Application TM/10/02302/FL - 1 Waterworks Cottage, Ford Lane - No objections in principle but would like to see some revisions to side elevation. Granted.

Application TM/10/02630/FL - Cedarwood Farm, Wrotham Water Road - erection of barn (re-submission). Object. Granted.

Application TM/10/03464/FL - Sunny View, Green Lane, revision to TM/09/01505/FL - details to be circulated.

11.1 The Enforcement Officer was looking at possible breaches of planning control at The Nursery, Taylors Lane and Trosley Farm, Addington Lane.

12/11 Finance

The November and December 2010 statement of receipts and monies outstanding was accepted as below

Payments received

TMBC - 2nd instalment Financial Arrangements Grant.....£1,876.0

Payments made

Victim Support – donation.....	£25.00
Try Angle Awards – donation.....	£50.00
M Gough – erection of notice board.....	£35.00
M Kirby – Mowing and hedge cutting 2010.....	£850.00
Clerk’s salary and expenses October – December.....	£876.28

Payments outstanding

Lappsett Playworld UK Ltd – new play equipment.....	£1,261.95
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- 12.1 The precept form for 2011 was agreed and signed. FD
- 12.2 It was agreed to pay the annual subscription of £41 to Kent Wildlife Trust. FD
- 12.3 A letter of thanks was received from Victim Support for the donation.

13/11 Correspondence

The following correspondence had been circulated:-

- Nick Chard KCC re Kent Rail Summit
- CPRE AGM
- English Rural Housing Assoc. Annual Report
- KCC – Bold Steps for Kent
- Clerk & Councils Direct
- CPRE – The Countryside Voice
- KCC – Annual Performance Report 2009/10
- Kent Fire & Rescue Service – Towards 2020
- Nationwide – letter
- TMBC – Joint Transportation Board
- TMBC – Parish Partnership Panel – agenda & minutes
- Action with Communities in Rural Kent
- A227 Emergency closure at Meopham
- Rural Services Network
- Various updates on refuse & recycling collections
- Various updates from Highways during snow

- 13.1 An invitation had been received for the Lord Lieutenants Civic Service, RW RW
to advise if he was able to attend.
- 13.2 Details had been received for the 5th May 2011 elections.
- 13.3 An email was read from Trudy Dean of Malling Action Partnership.
- 13.4 Details were read regarding Poppy Parties but the Council did not feel it was in a position to run one.

14/11 Any other business

- 14.1 Some residents had expressed concern that the signal for mobile telephones was weak in areas of Trottscliffe.
 - 14.2 RW was thanked for organizing the Christmas tree and the Clerk was asked to thank Mr Alan Selfe for erecting and decorating the tree. FD
 - 14.3 The Chairman and Clerk had been invited to a tour of the new Pembury Hospital.
- There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.10 pm.

NEXT MEETING: Thursday 3rd February 2011 in the Village Hall at 7.45 pm.

Chairman Date.....