

MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL, TROTTISCLIFFE
ON THURSDAY 3RD MARCH 2011

PRESENT: Mrs Ann Kemp (Chairman) (AK)
Mr Martin Collins (MC)
Mr Peter Laite (PL)
Mr Trevor Ledamun (TL)
Mr Mike Merryfield Day (MD)
Mr John Wickham (JW)
Mrs Frances Merryfield Day (Clerk)
PCSO Kim Hockey
PC Mark Eastgate
1 member of public
Distribution: Those present SH, MB, RW & File

30/11 Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Mrs Sarah Hohler, Mr Matthew Balfour and Mr Richard Wallis.

31/11 Minutes of the meeting held on 3rd February 2011

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 3rd February 2011 were signed as a true record.

32/11 Report from PCSO Kim Hockey and PC Mark Eastgate.

PCSO Kim Hockey reported that there had been two incidents in Trottiscliffe during the previous month. The conifer trees outside Rosemead in Church Lane had been cut down and the barbed wire on the new fencing in Pinesfield Lane had been cut. She did not feel that there was any connection between the two. The laces on boots in a garage in Pinesfield Lane, near to the damaged fence, had been cut but this had not been reported.

33/11 Declarations of interest

There were no declarations of interest.

34/11 Matters arising

There were no matters arising that would not be dealt with later on the agenda.

35/11 County Councillor's Report.

No report.

36/11 Borough Councillor's Report

No report.

37/11 Members of the public

See attached sheet.

38/11 Delegates' Reports

38.1 PL had attended a meeting of the Trosley Park Liaison Group, together with RW. The new Visitor Centre was due to open in July and tenders were being invited for catering.

38.2 Village Hall. MD reported that new heaters had been fitted in the meeting room and hallway. A party was planned for the 29th April to celebrate the Royal Wedding. MD said that he had resigned from the Village Hall committee and JW agreed to bring a report from the committee to the Parish Council meetings in future.

39/11 Highways, Footways and Footpaths

TL had reported the potholes in the village, outside Botarus, Ford Lane, and outside The George.

40/11 Recreation Ground and Allotments

40.1 MC had checked and found no leaks around the tap in the allotments.

All the allotments were now taken.

40.2 MD had completed and returned the form to KCC regarding the recent grant for treating the woodwork in the play area.

41/11 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/10/03464/FL - Sunny View, Green Lane, revision to TM/09/01505/FL - Object. Granted with conditions.

Application TM/11/00225/FL - Long Reach, Pinesfield Lane, Trottiscliffe - removal of conservatory and construction of rear extension. No objections. Await decision.

An Enforcement Notice had been served on 1st February on the owner of the mobile home at The Nursery, Taylors Lane. He had until 7th March to lodge an appeal against it. If he does not he will need to comply with the notice by 7th April 2011.

42/11 Finance

The February 2011 statement of receipts and monies outstanding was accepted as below:-

Payments received

None

Payments made

Walnut Tree Farm - web hosting.....£150.00

Payments outstanding

R Wallis Florist - Christmas Tree.....£150.00

- 42.1 It was agreed to pay the annual subscription to CPRE. FD
- 42.2 It was agreed to obtain a second quotation for the insurance. FD
- 42.3 It was confirmed that the Parish Council could not claim VAT back on equipment purchased by the Village Hall committee.

43/11 Correspondence

The following correspondence had been circulated:-

- TMBC – Standards Committee
- Clerks & Councils Direct
- Area No 2 Planning
- KWT – Supporters’ Day invitation
- BCTV – Tree Project
- KALC – Parish News
- Kent Men of the Trees – Village competition
- KCC – Community Safety Unit
- Area 4 M20 Concrete repairs
- Sustainable Community Update
- Kent Highways – pothole repairs
- Kent Highways – road closures
- KALC – Forestry Commission consultation
- Rural Services Networks – Rural News Digest 7 & 14 Feb
- Nick Chard KCC – Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee
- Trading Standards – Farm Gates
- Trading Standards – Doorsteppers Swanley area
- Birling Estate – Woodland Certification
- Minimising Constructions Waste sent to landfills
- KCC – Inclusive Design & Placemaking Supplementary Guidance
- Allison Parris – Parish Partnership
- Kent Highways – road closures
- Kent TS – Census

43.1 AK had received details of notice boards made from recycled plastic which might be worth considering when next replacing a notice board.

44/11 Any other business

AK advised that each individual wishing to stand for election to Trottiscliffe Parish Council in May should obtain a nomination paper from the Elections Office of Tonbridge & Malling Borough Council and return it by noon on Monday 4th April 2011.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.50 pm.

NEXT MEETING: Thursday 7th April 2011 in the Village Hall at 7.45 pm.

Elections would be taking place on Thursday 5th May and the Annual Parish Meeting, Annual General Meeting and Parish Council Meeting of Trottiscliffe Parish Council would be on Tuesday 10th May at 7.30 pm.

Chairman Date.....

37/11 Members of public

Mr Charlie Luke from the Nursery, Taylors Lane, attended the meeting and introduced himself.