

# MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL, TROTTISCLIFFE  
ON THURSDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2010

**PRESENT:** Mrs Ann Kemp (Chairman) (AK)  
Mr Richard Wallis (Vice Chairman) RW  
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)  
Distribution: Those present SH, MB & File

## **123/10 Apologies for absence**

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

## **124/10 Minutes of the meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> October 2010**

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> October were signed as a true record.

## **125/10 Declarations of interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

## **126/10 Matters arising**

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

## **127/10 County Councillor's Report.**

Mrs Sarah Hohler's Interim Report to Parish Councils had been circulated.

## **128/10 Borough Councillor's Report**

AK reported that there were no plans for immediate drastic cuts at T&MBC as they were in a relatively strong position due to previous economies. Although economies would continue to be made and backroom services shared with other councils wherever possible. T&MBC were waiting for the detail of the government intentions. The Leader had announced that there would be no increase in the Borough's Council Tax this year.

## **129/10 Members of the public**

None.

## **130/10 Delegates' Reports**

130.1 Parish Seminar. TL had attended and reported as attached.

130.2 KALC AGM. Mr Trevor Ledamun and Mr Peter Laite would attend.

TL/PL

### 131/10 Highways, Footways and Footpaths

131.1 The Clerk had advised the farmer that the fence should be brought up to either side of the “squeeze” which would stop the horses using the footpath MR187.

131.2 TL had passed on details of the agreed positioning of posts on the village green to Highways.

131.3 The Clerk was asked to write to the contractors who had carried out the work in Pinesfield Lane thanking them for their co-operation and helpfulness. FD

131.4 The Clerk was asked to put a note in The Pilgrim stating that Highways had advised that taking salt from the salt bins for personal use would be treated as theft. FD

### 132/10 Recreation Ground and Allotments

132.1 An advertisement had been placed in The Pilgrim regarding the vacant allotment.

132.2 The bench donated in memory of the King family was now in position on the recreation ground. After some discussion it was agreed to use the balance of the donation in their memory to purchase a camel for the play area, MD to progress. AK to put a note in the Pilgrim. MD  
AK

132.3 A Risk Assessment had been received from the TSA for Bonfire Night.

### 133/10 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/10/01435/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/10/02188/LB** – Ford Place, Ford Lane – porch and canopy to side elevation. No objections. Granted.

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

**Application TM/10/02411/RD** – The Nursery, Taylors Lane, Trottscliffe – details submitted pursuant to conditions 8, 10 & 11. No objections. Granted.

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

133.1 The Clerk was asked to contact the Enforcement Officer to look at the new entrance and ground work of the roadway inside The Nursery, Taylors Lane. FD

### 134/10 Finance

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

#### Payments received

Insurance from Tennis Club.....£576.45

Payments made

Materials for notice board.....£14.99

Payments outstanding

None

- 134.1 It was agreed to donate £50 to Triangle Awards. FD
- 134.2 It was agreed to donate £25 to Victim Support. FD
- 134.3 The budget for 2011/2012 was discussed and agreed.

**135/10 Correspondence**

The following correspondence had been circulated:-

- TMBC – Summary of Accounts
- T&M Community Safety Partnership – newsletter
- KCC – Replacement Visitor Centre for Trosley Country Park
- KCC – Proposed changes to planning application validation process
- KALC – Minutes of 16 September
- TMBC – Area No 2 Planning Committee
- KCC – Local transparency
- The Bulletin
- Sevenoaks DC – Blighs Meadow
- KCC – Minerals Waste Core Strategy
- KALC – Parish News
- AONB – Equine related land use
- Parish Plan newsletter
- Carillion/KCC Highways
- Highways – Salt Bin Protocol
- My Highways On Line Parish Survey 2010
- Bold Steps for Kent
- Communities & Local Government Council Tax Freeze
- T&M Community Safety Partnership Bulletin

- 135.1 The AONB questionnaire was discussed, Clerk to return. FD
- 135.2 A resident had raised concerns that the new notice board in Pinesfield Lane may be too small.

**136/10 Any other business**

- 136.1 Trottiscliffe School would be holding a Craft and Carols afternoon which it was hoped would be well attended by the villagers.
- 136.2 The Clerk was asked to contact AS regarding erecting the Christmas tree. FD

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.30 pm.

**NEXT MEETING: Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2010 in the Village Hall at 7.45 pm.**

Chairman ..... Date.....