

MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL, TROTTISCLIFFE
ON THURSDAY 6TH OCTOBER 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)
Mrs Sarah Hohler (County Councillor) (SH)
Distribution: Those present MB, MC & File

122/11 Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Mr Matthew Balfour, Mr Martin Collins and PCSO Kim Hockey.

123/11 Minutes of the meetings held on 8th September 2011

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 8th September 2011 were signed as a true record.

124/11 Declarations of interest

There were no declarations of interest.

125/11 Matters arising

There were no matters arising.

126/11 County Councillor's Report.

SH queried why the posts had not been erected on the village green, both she and TL to chase the matter up.

MD advised that the gate for the play area was on order which had been secured by the Members' Grant.

In answer to an enquiry by SH the Clerk said that the white lines on the road and speed humps had been reported as needing attention and it was in the hands of Highways.

127/11 Borough Councillor's Report

No report.

128/11 Members of the public

None.

129/11 Delegates' Reports

No reports.

130/11 Highways, Footways and Footpaths

130.1 Concern was expressed about heavy vehicles coming through the village but it was felt that notices had been erected and everything possible done to avoid this.

130.2 The PROW had offered to look at any badly overgrown footpaths to get them cut back. MR187 and MR186 at the church end were suggested and MR185 at the Green Lane end.

130.3 Highways. TL to follow up queries raised at last meeting

TL

131/11 Recreation Ground and Allotments

131.1 MD had painted the bottom of the posts of play equipment in the recreation ground where necessary and adjusted the junior swings as required by the RoSPA inspection.

131.2 The new gate for the play area was on order.

131.3 It was agreed to look at the hedge in the recreation ground, particularly overhanging the play area, and see if any action was needed.

MD

132/11 Planning

Application TM/11/00658/FL - The Nursery, Taylors Lane, Trottiscliffe - Appeal against refusal of retrospective application for the retention of a residential caravan ancillary to the Nursery Business and retention of 2 No. dog kennels and pens. Object. Refused.

There were no new planning applications.

133/11 Finance

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

Payments received

TMBC - 2nd instalment Precept.....£5,000.00

Payments made

Lappset Playworld - new rubber bases for see-saw.....£282.48

Playsafety Limited - RoSPA inspection.....£108.00

T&M Citizens Advice Bureau - donation.....£50.00

M Gough - repairs and new fence in Car Park.....£215.00

M Kirby - annual fee for grass and hedge cutting.....£850.00

Payments outstanding

HMRC£153.00

M F Merryfield Day - Clerk's salary & exps. July - Sept.....£703.81

134/11 Correspondence

The following correspondence had been circulated:-

Journal of Local Planning - Draft Policy

Parish Partnership Panel - 8th September - Universal Credit

Rural Services Network Weekly email New Digest 12 Sept, 19 Sept, 3 Oct.

KALC - Update

Rebecca Williams - Transforming Local Infrastructure Fund

HOSC Notes

Sustainable Government - 15, 22, 29 Sept.

Parish Partnership Panel - 8 Sept minutes

Trading Standards - 3 alert messages

Michele Snoding PROW

ESF Community Grants
Helen French – Sevenoaks District Council
KALC- Orchid
KCC – Local Authority Hot Topics
Code of Recommended Practice in respect of Data Transparency
Wrotham Water Road closure
TMBC – Area Planning No. 2
Boundary Commission for England – 2013 Review
CPRE/NALC – How to respond to planning applications

135/11 Any other business

135.1 RW said he had received complaints that Trosley Country Park had an anti-dog policy and he agreed to raise it at the forthcoming Liaison Meeting.

135.2 Queen’s Diamond Jubilee Celebrations. RW to look into costs of a beacon and note to be put in The Pilgrim asking for ideas and people willing to be involved in the organisation of celebrations.

RW

135.3 The Clerk to organise the Christmas cards.

FD

There being no other business the meeting closed at 7.05 pm.

NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place on Thursday 3rd November 6 pm in the Village Hall. (Please note earlier time to avoid clash with Pantomime rehearsals).

Chairman Date.....