

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF EASTRY PARISH COUNCIL. HELD AT
THE PARISH ROOM AT 7.30pm ON MONDAY 3rd DECEMBER 2012.**

Present: Councillors S Hooper M Pemble J Gardiner N Kenton (Chairman)
 A Barwick A Wiles S Shevde B Read

Sarah Wells Clerk to the Parish Council Dist Cllr Manion Community Warden
1 Member of the Public Huw Evans Representing Quinn estates

1. APOLOGIES

Cllrs S Mitchell, C Kennedy Harper & M Kemp. PCSO Gary Faulkner

The meeting was adjourned. Mr Evans said he would like to thank the Parish Council and the local community for its support of the Hammill Brickwork development. It was hoped that work will start early in the New Year.

2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

No declarations received.

RESOLVED, that the Clerk be authorised to grant a dispensation relieving Members from either or both of the restrictions on participating in discussions and in voting (referred to in paragraph 5 of the Code of Conduct adopted July 2012).

3. POLICE LIASION

The Community Warden said there were no problems to report at this time.

4. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on 5th November 2012, be duly signed by the Chairman as a true and correct record of the meeting.

RESOLVED, that with one slight amendment to the attendees list, the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on 5th November 2012, be duly signed by the Chairman as a true and correct record of the meeting.

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Parish meeting held on 21st November 2012, be duly signed by the Chairman as a true and correct record of the meeting.

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Extra-Ordinary meeting held on 29th November 2012, be duly signed by the Chairman as a true and correct record of the meeting.

5. ACTIONS FROM THE LAST MEETING

Correspondence

Human waste sludge spreading – The Clerk had written to Southern Water, Thames Water and the NFU as agreed. **Action Discharged**

Forthcoming Events

Christmas Trees arrangements – The Trees had been delivered and erected. **Action Discharged**

Leisure Fields

Pond meeting – Cllr Hooper had arranged a meeting for Sun 9th Dec. **Action Discharged**

6. CORRESPONDENCE

To discuss and agree action relating to correspondence received by the Council.

a) Consultation Documents

- i) Kent Fire and Rescue Service – Towards 2020 update – Responses by 14 Jan 2013

b) News letters and Circulars

i) Clerks and Councils Direct

c) Other

i) Advice provision for older people in Rural Areas

a to c were noted by the members.

7. HIGHWAYS

To discuss and agree actions relating to highways issues

a) Thornton Lane – Speed limit

Cllr Shevde reported that local residents are still very concerned about the speed of traffic coming out of Thornton Lane. They would like to see the Speed limit sign moved further along the lane away from the junction with Heronden Road. This request had been made to KHS and they had said that due to budget constraints this work could not be done.

RESOLVED, the Clerk to contact KHS and ask if the work could be done if the Parish Council were willing to part fund the project.

Action Sarah Wells**8. STRATEGIC PLANNING**

To discuss and agree a way forward for producing a strategic plan for the Parish Council's future activities.

Nothing to discuss at this time.

9. FINANCE

To discuss and agree actions relating to the Council Finances

a) NALC Briefing – Precept Update

RESOLVED, that precept setting should be postponed until 7th January 2013. Guidance had not yet been received finalising the effect of the Localism Act on Precepting Authorities.

10. REGISTRATION OF COMMUNITY ASSETS

A preliminary list of community assets were discussed and agreed. The Clerk to start the registration process with DDC.

Action Sarah Wells**11. ACCOUNTS**

RESOLVED that the following payments be approved, resolution proposed by Cllr Shevde and seconded by Cllr Read. Cllr Pemble was third signatory.

Receipts Nov				
	Allotment Rents	894.50		
		894.50		
Petty Cash Expenditure				
	Diary Inserts	5.00		
Nov Payments			Cheque No	Amount
	Environmental Engineer - Nov Street Cleaning		4505	385.00
	Toilet Cleaning Contract Nov	155.00		
	Supplies Nov	4.67		
		159.67	4506	159.67
	AJL Garden Services - Nov Ground work		4507	623.23
	Coffee Break refreshments		4508	41.42

Southern Water - Allotments		4509	63.69	
SLCC Membership		4510	81.00	
Ewart J Clough - Christmas Trees		4511	270.00	45.00
Poppy Appeal - Remembrance Day Wreath		4512	20.00	
Nick Cunningham - Parish Rm Boiler works		4513	102.00	17.00
Clerks Salary Nov 2012	848.82	4514	848.82	
H M Revenue and Customs Income Tax	52.00			
Employees NI	34.74			
Employers NI	32.02			
	118.76	4515	118.76	
Employers Pension Contribution	103.84			
Employees Pension Contribution	48.62			
	152.46	4516	152.46	
Clerks Expenses				
Telephone and Broadband 14 Nov to 13 Dec	16.26			
	16.26	4517	16.26	

12. FORTHCOMING EVENTS

To discuss and agree actions relating to events

a) Council Events

Nothing Planned

b) Outside Events

- i) Lord Lieutenant of Kent Annual Civic Reception Maidstone All Saints Church on Tuesday 12 March 2013 at 11am.

Cllr Kenton to RSVP if he is able to attend.

- ii) Jerry Smith retirement 11th Dec 2012.

The Clerk to send the Councils best wishes.

13. ALLOTMENTS

To discuss matters raised by the Allotments Management Committee.

Nothing to discuss at this time.

14. LEISURE FIELDS

To discuss matters relating to the Councils leisure fields and amenities, to receive correspondence relating to leisure fields.

a) Gun Park

- i) Unauthorised gate access

Several gates had been installed from private dwellings that opened onto Gun Park, the members were concerned that this may give the residents access rights. The Clerk to seek legal advice on this matter.

Action Sarah Wells

b) Pond

- i) Church Commissioners for England – Chalara Farxinea also known as Chalara dieback affecting ash tree. – Request that the PC inspect trees at Pond and report any problems.

The Leisure Fields committee to inspect the trees. The Clerk to inform the Church Commissioners of any problems.

Action Sarah Wells

c) Allotments Play Area

Nothing to discuss

d) Correspondence

None received.

15. CHURCHYARD AND CEMETERY

To discuss and agree action on matters relating to land controlled by the Council in and around Church Street.

a) Churchyard & Cemetery**b) Recreation Ground****c) Bowling Green**

Nothing to discuss.

16. REPORTS

To receive written or verbal reports from:-

a) District Councillors

Dist Cllrs Manion and Kenton gave a brief report on the activities of DDC.

b) Parish Councillors

Cllr Hooper gave a report on the Manston Airport meeting.

17. COMMUNICATION

To agree Council communication to the following media:-

a) Village News Letter

How do parishioners want the Annual Parish Meeting organised, what information do they want included.

Action Sarah Wells

b) Mercury Roundup Section**c) Parish Council Web Site****18. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Finance Committee meeting - Mon 7th January 2013 at 7.30pm

Ordinary meeting of the Council - Mon 14th Jan 2013 at 7.30pm.

Scheduled dates for ordinary meetings

Mon 4th Feb 2013 Mon 4th Mar 2013 8th Apr 2013 13th May 2013

The meeting closed at 8.45pm