

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF EASTRY PARISH COUNCIL. HELD AT
THE PARISH ROOM AT 7.30pm ON MONDAY 11th OCTOBER 2010.**

Present: Councillors N Kenton S Shevde A Wiles S Hooper
 S Smith M Pemble, M Bradshaw M Kemp

S Wells Clerk to the Parish Council
PCSO Benson

1. APOLOGIES

Cllr A Barwick & Community Warden Dave Bishop

The Clerk had informed DDC of the vacancy and written to Mr West.

Action Discharged

2. POLICE LIASION

PCSO Benson gave a report on activities in the Parish. Speed checks had taken place in Gore Lane, 24 cars had been checked, 6 warnings and one fixed penalty had been issued. PCSO Benson reported that the majority of those stopped lived in the village and one had even admitted to complaining about speeding traffic in the past.

3. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

a) Minutes of the Planning Meeting 7.00pm 6th Sept 2010

It was proposed by Cllr Shevde and Seconded by Cllr Wiles that the above minutes should be signed as a true and correct record, all agreed and the Chairman signed the minutes.

b) Minutes of the Ordinary meeting 7.30 pm 6th Sept 2010

It was proposed by Cllr Shevde and Seconded by Cllr Smith that the above minutes should be signed as a true and correct record, all agreed and the Chairman signed the minutes.

c) Minutes of the Planning meeting 27th Sept 2010

It was proposed by Cllr Kemp and Seconded by Cllr Wiles that the above minutes should be signed as a true and correct record, all agreed and the Chairman signed the minutes.

4. ACTIONS FROM THE LAST MEETING

Picnic Site

ERIC Brass plaque – Cllr Shevde had replaced the plaque.

Action Discharged

Parade

Lights – The Clerk had asked four local builder's for quotes, unfortunately only one had responded.

Action Discharged

Chapel

The Heads of Terms – Cllr Shevde, Kenton and the Clerk had met with representative from DDC and the developer.

Action Discharged

Beating the Bounds

The Clerk had arranged for the maps and pamphlets to be printed. She had also obtained the High visibility jackets and asked the police to attend to help with the road crossing.

Action Discharged

4. FINANCE

Letter from KCC Parks asking if the PC wishes to buy the picnic site – The Clerk had responded as required.

Action Discharged

Council Tax Referendums Consultation – Communities and Local Government – The Clerk had forwarded the Council concerns to this proposal.

Action Discharged

Forthcoming Events

Annual Towns and Parishes Liaison Conference 2010 – Mon 4th Oct DDC offices 6.00 for 6.30pm –
The Clerk had sent a RSVP on behalf of the Council. **Action Discharged**

Allotments and Leisure Fields

Ground Work Specification 2011 – The Clerk had invited quotes for 1, 3 and 5 year contracts.

Action Discharged

Quote for work to repair tarmac at top of drive way from Cooks Lea (Trip Hazard) – The Clerk had accepted the quote from Oatmore Harris and the work had been completed. **Action Discharged**

Play area inspections – Cllr Kemp had agreed to undertake the inspection and the Clerk had produced a tick sheet for the inspections. **Action Discharged**

Allotments

Quotes for work to Clear unfenced allotment land - The Clerk had accepted the quote from Plantability.

Action Discharged

Complaint ref tree by fence of No 14 Maymills Cottages – The Contractor had been asked to remove the tree. **Action Discharged**

a) Churchyard & Cemetery

Letter of Complaint ref damage to stone in the cremated remains section of the Churchyard. – The Clerk had inspected the Stone and arranged for the mark to be polished out. The Clerk did not think the damage had been caused by the Council contractor but to prevent future problems she had asked that in future the edge of the stones be treated with weed killer and not strimmed. **Action Discharged**

Recreation Ground

Letter ref proposals for Parish Room - The letter asked if the terms of the charitable trust would allow for the provision of public toilets. Cllr Shevde said he had this information at home, he would look into the matter. **Action Cllr Shevde Ongoing**

The Clerk had responded to the letter.

Action Discharged**War Memorial**

Donations – The Clerk had written and thanked the Joint Services and the PCC for there contributions towards the work to the war memorial. **Action Discharged**

5. CODE OF CONDUCT

- a) Reminder to all Councillors that you have 28 days in which to inform the Monitoring Officer of any changes to your register of financial or other interests.

The above was noted by the members.

6. PARISH COUNCIL VACANCY

- a) 3 applications for post of Councillor
- b) DDC letter to say can now co-opt to fill M West seat.

Unfortunately one of the applicants did not qualify as they had not been in the village long enough and were not on the electoral role. The other two applicants had been interviewed by the Chairman and Vice Chairman.

It was recommended to the members that Mrs Bridget Read and Mrs Kathryn Davenport be co-opted on to the Council. All agreed, the Clerk to inform the applicants. **Action Sarah Wells**

7. CORRESPONDENCE**a) Correspondence needing a response/decision**

None received

b) Consultation Documents

None received

c) News letters and Circulars

- i) Victim Support News letter
- ii) Clerks and Councils Direct
- iii) The Bulletin
- iv) The Kent County Playing Fields
- v) Neighbourhood Watch news
- vi) KALC Parish News

The above were noted by the members.

d) Other

None received

8. HIGHWAYS**a) KCC – Trial of Bagged Salt/Sand in parishes**

The members wanted more information on the trial before a final decision was made.

Action Sarah Wells**b) Parking restrictions Church Street**

Noted by the members.

c) Request for removal of bin by Kent House

This was discussed by the members and although they did sympathise with the Householder the bin is well used and if it was to be removed there was concern that the dog waste put in it would be left on the path. It was agreed that the Council would pay for this open top bin to be replaced by a dog waste bin or a black closed top bin. The Clerk to ask the resident which they would prefer. **Action Sarah Wells**

9. PARADE**a) Lights – Quote**

As only one quote had been received it was agreed that another quote should be requested.

Action Sarah Wells**10. CHAPEL****a) Agree Heads of Terms**

The Heads of term were discussed and agreed by the members. The Clerk to inform the contractor and DDC planning.

Action Sarah Wells**b) Possible use of Commercial units by Dr Surgery**

The hospital plans include a number of commercial units, it was suggested that it may be of benefit to the community if the Doctors Surgery could be persuaded to move into one of these units to allow for them to expand there services, perhaps to include a dentists surgery. It was agreed the Clerk should write and ask them to consider the suggestion.

Action Sarah Wells**11. BEATING OF THE BOUNDS**

64 people had taken part in the walk lead by the Chairman. It had been a very successful day. Articles needed to be produced for the Parish News and the Mercury; the Clerk had asked Brain Manton to produce these.

Thank you letters were also to be written to all those that helped with the organisation of the event. These included, The Five Bells, PCSO's, Brian Manton, Dave Bish and Simon Dundas. The Clerk to write the letters. **Action Sarah Wells**

The Clerk also needed to make arrangements to get certificates printed, Cllr Hooper had the names and addresses of those that took place. She would write out the certificates, one of the walkers had offered to deliver the certificates. **Action Sarah Wells & Cllr Hooper**

Cllr Shevde said he would like to offer a vote of thanks to Cllrs Hooper and Kenton and the Clerk for making the arrangements.

12. FINANCE

- a) Request for financial aid from a Girl Guide hoping to attend the 22nd World Scout Jamboree 2011

Unfortunately the Council was unable to help with this request as they are not allowed by law to give money to individuals. The Clerk to respond to the letter. **Action Sarah Wells**

- b) Eastry Village News Accounts

Noted by the members.

13. ACCOUNTS

Sept 2010 additional Payments

	Cheque No	Amount	VAT
AJL Garden Services - Sept payment	4148	745.04	
DDC - Installation of 2 x bins Parade	4149	82.25	12.25
Oatmor-Harris Ltd - Work to Gun Park drive way	4150	682.68	101.68
Village Hall Hire - Jul - Sept Coffee break	4151	286.00	
Beating of the Bounds-Commemorative Pamphlet	4152	99.00	
Petty cash	4153	60.00	

It was proposed by Cllr Smith and seconded by Cllr Wiles that the above payments be made, all agreed. Cllr Kemp was third signatory.

14. FORTHCOMING EVENTS

a) Council Events

The Clerk asked that as 2011 was an election year if the members wished to hold the Annual parish Meeting before or after the election. It was agreed that the meeting should take place in early March 2011.

b) Outside Events

- i) KALC Dover Area meeting – 21st Oct 2010, Worth Village Hall 7.30pm

Cllr Smith and Hooper to attend.

15. ALLOTMENTS AND LEISURE FIELDS

a) Gun Park

Cllr Hooper reported that she had been approached by the Football club; they were very pleased with the way the pitches were being cut at the moment.

c) Allotments

Nothing to report.

d) Pond

A working party would be needed to remove the parrot weed over the winter months.

e) Picnic Site

A letter had been received raising some concerns about the site, the Clerk to respond.

Action Sarah Wells

f) Allotments Play Area

Nothing to report

g) Correspondence

Nothing to report

16. CHURCHYARD AND CEMETERY**b) Churchyard & Cemetery**

Nothing to report

c) Recreation Ground

The Clerk reported that there was a serious mole problem, a pest control operative had tried setting traps but this had been unsuccessful. He was looking into other possibilities.

d) War Memorial

The work had been completed.

17. REPORTS**a) Dist Cllrs**

Cllr Manion reported on the Participative Budgetary events. He also informed the meeting of the plans for a new tennis courts in Deal.

Cllr Kenton reported on the Town and Parish Liaison meeting at Dover on the 4th Oct.

b) Parish Councillors

Cllr Hooper gave a report on the Kent International Airport meeting. Cllr Smith reported on the NHW AGM.

18. COMMUNICATION**a) Village News Letter – Nov 2010 Edition**

Co-option of new Councillors. Cllr Shevde had written a piece about the War Memorial. Beating of the bounds.

b) Mercury Report

As above

c) Web Site

As above

19. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**Dates for 2010**

Mon 1st Nov Mon 6th Dec

Dates for 2011

Mon 10th Jan Mon 7th Feb Mon 7th Mar Mon 4th Apr Mon 9th May

The meeting closed at 8.42pm