MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF EASTRY PARISH COUNCIL HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE HELD ON TUESDAY 20th JULY 2010 AT THE PARISH ROOM AT 7.00pm

Present Councillors: Nick Kenton Martin Kemp A Barwick
Sam Shevde

1. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

It was proposed by Cllr Shevde and seconded by Cllr Barwick that Cllr Kenton should act as Chairman for this Committee, all agreed. Cllr Kenton took the Chair.

2. APOLOGIES

Cllr Smith and Pemble.

3. TRAFFIC CALMING SANDWICH ROAD

The Clerk had received a quote for KHS for the provision of a Gateway on Sandwich Road. The price quoted is £7400.00, this is over £2000.00 more than quoted for the Lower Street Gateway that is being paid for out of the KCC members allowance. The Clerk had asked for an explanation of the difference in price and received the following from KHS.

"There are several reasons why Eastry Parish Council's quote is £2,000.00 more than the quote given to the Member's scheme at the other end of Lower Road . The main difference is that the Member's scheme was priced up in the last financial year and KHS has faced increased costs in materials and man power for the current financial year. Also, we have to charge other fees which are not chargeable to the Member Highway Fund, such as design and supervision fees and contingencies".

The members were not satisfied with this response, it was agreed that the Clerk should contact KCC Cllr Leyland Ridings and ask for his help with the project, Cllr Kenton will speak to Cllr Nick Chard the KCC Cabinet Member for Environment, Highways and Waste.

Action Cllr Kenton and Sarah Wells

4. FUTURE OF HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE

The future of this committee had been questioned at the May Parish Council meeting as it had been some years since it had been necessary to call a Highways Committee meeting. After some discussion it was agreed that the committee should be discontinued. Any Highways matters should be put before the full meeting of the Council in future.

The meeting closed at 7.20pm