MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF EASTRY PARISH COUNCIL. HELD AT THE PARISH ROOM AT 7.45pm ON MONDAY 6th JULY 2009.

Present: CouncillorsS ShevdeA BarwickA WilesS SmithM KempN KentonM WestG Bury

S Wells Clerk to the Parish Council Dist Cllr Manion (Part)

PCSO Benson Community Warden Bob Priestley

1. APOLOGIES

Cllrs M Pemble, M Bradshaw & S Hooper

2. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

- a) Minutes of the Finance Meeting 7.00pm 11th May 2009 It was proposed by Cllr Shevde and seconded by Cllr Bury that the minutes of the above meeting be signed as a true and correct record, all agreed and the chairman signed the minutes.
- b) Minutes of the Annual meeting 7.30pm 11th May 2009 It was proposed by Cllr Shevde and seconded by Cllr Kemp that the minutes of the above meeting be signed as a true and correct record, all agreed and the chairman signed the minutes.
- c) Minutes of the Planning Meeting 7.30pm 18th May 2009 It was proposed by Cllr Barwick and seconded by Cllr Bury that the minutes of the above meeting be signed as a true and correct record, all agreed and the chairman signed the minutes.
- d) Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting 27th May 2009 It was proposed by Cllr Shevde and seconded by Cllr Smith that the minutes of the above meeting be signed as a true and correct record, all agreed and the chairman signed the minutes.
- e) Minutes of Ordinary meeting 7.30pm 1st June 2009 It was proposed by Cllr Shevde and seconded by Cllr Kemp that the minutes of the above meeting be signed as a true and correct record, all agreed and the chairman signed the minutes.
- f) Minutes of Planning meetings 7.30pm 8th June 2009 It was proposed by Cllr Smith and seconded by Cllr Bury that the minutes of the above meeting be signed as a true and correct record, all agreed and the chairman signed the minutes.
- g) Minutes of the Allotments and Leisure Fields Committee meeting 19th June 2009 It was proposed by Cllr Shevde and seconded by Cllr Smith that the minutes of the above meeting be signed as a true and correct record, all agreed and the chairman signed the minutes.
- h) Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting 22nd June 2009 It was proposed by Cllr Barwick and seconded by Cllr Bury that the minutes of the above meeting be signed as a true and correct record, all agreed and the chairman signed the minutes.

3. ACTIONS FROM THE LAST MEETING

Allotments

Cllr West to arrange for the skip.

Action Cllr West. Ongoing

Correspondence

Lumalite catalogue – The lights had been received.

Action Discharged

Allotments and Leisure Fields

Request that we do not weed kill along Youth Club Boundary – The Clerk to speak to the contractor.

Action Sarah Wells Ongoing

Allotments

The Chairman suggested that now the Allotment was fully let, the use of the unfenced allotment land behind Mill Green should be reviewed by the Allotments & Leisure Committee. **Action Cllr Hooper**Ongoing

Churchyard & Cemetery

It was suggested that the Churchyard & Cemetery committee might like to carry out an inspection and identify any bushes that may need to be removed from the Cemetery.

Action Churchyard & Cemetery committee Ongoing

Correspondence

Correspondence needing a response/decision

Eastry School Governing Body – The Clerk had written to the school as agreed. Action Discharged

Highways

PROW – footpath from Mill Lane to Mill Bank – Possibility of it being tarmaced – The Clerk had written back to the PROW officer as agreed.

Action Discharged

Allotments and Leisure Fields

Gun Park

Request from Youth Club to use Gun park for Fun Day in July - The Clerk had responded as agreed.

Action Discharged

Allotments

Review of Allotments Agreement –

Action Allotments and Leisure Committee Ongoing

Pond

Picnic Bench repairs – These had been undertaken.

Action Discharged

Communication

Mercury Report – A new correspondent had now taken over.

Action Discharged

4. POLICE LIASION

There had been five sheds broken into on the Allotments, nothing had been taken, it was believed fuel had been what was being looked for. Door knocker's have been operating in the Parish, these had been dealt with. Annemarie had undertaken speed checks in Lower Street, she reported a serious problem, the enforcement team had been asked to come out. An environmental audit had been undertaken in the Gun Park, there had been some dog fouling but it was not as bad as expected.

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.
- b) Standards Committee meeting 17th June 2009 cancelled

The above were noted by the members.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

a) Correspondence needing a response/decision

i. KCC – Environment, Highways and Waste Directorate: Statement of Community Involvement scoping consultation – by 31st July

The members did not wish respond to this document.

ii. Complaint about noisy party 21st June 2009

The members sympathised with the author. It was agreed that the DDC out of office noise complaint number should be put in the mercury column.

iii. Listing of K6 Jubilee Phone Kiosk

The members were pleased that English Heritage had been asked to list telephone kiosk. They agreed that the person that had asked for the listing should be reimbursed his expenses, the reimbursement to be made in stamps or stationary.

Action Sarah Wells

b) Consultation Documents

i. Kent Police Authority – Policing Kent 2009/12

The above was discussed.

c) News letters and Circulars

- i. KALC Parish News
- ii. Neighbourhood Watch news
- iii. Explore Kent
- iv. LCR
- v. Explore Kent

The above were discussed and noted by the members.

d) Other

i. Southern Water Performance Report 2008/09

The members were concerned about the amount of money that was wasted sending out the expensively produced reports and newsletter. It was agreed that the Clerk should ask that the PC be removed from the mailing list.

Action Sarah Wells

7. HIGHWAYS

i. Letter ref traffic calming/footpath

The members discussed the contents, the clerk to contact KHS and the author.
Action Sarah Wells

8. FINANCE

a) Letter from Independent Auditor

The above was noted by the members.

9. ACCOUNTS

Receipts	
Allotment Deposit Wright	10.00
Memorial	53.00
Allotment Tap deposits	20.00
Grave Purchase - Wright	120.00
WI Parish Room use Apr-Jun 09	49.50
	252.50

	Cheque No	Amount
July 2009 Payments		
Environmental Engineer - June Street Cleaning 300.00	3942	300.00
Toilet Cleaning Contract June 140.00		
Toilet Supplies 9.14		
149.14	3943	149.14
Kemp Bros & Son - Various	3944	62.40
Stripy Lawns - May 2nd half 460.58		
Stripy Lawns - June 1st half 492.20		
952.78	3945	952.78
Village Hall Hire - Coffee Break & St Georges Day	3946	220.00
Audit Commission Auditors Fee 2009	3947	460.00
British Gas - Parish Rm	3948	68.30
Lumalite Ltd - Christmas tree lights	3949	50.95
N C Brown - New tap and 10 keys Allotments	3950	93.00
ABBA membership	3951	90.00
Grave digging - Internment of Ashes	3952	70.00
Great Mongeham PC - Strimmer	3953	150.00
Clerks Salary June	3955	685.78
H M Revenue and Customs Income Tax 44.20		
Employees NI 30.71		
Employers NI 28.35	2074	1000
103.26	3956	103.26
Employers Pension Contribution 91.93		
Employees Pension Contribution 52.88	2057	1 4 4 0 1
Clarks Francisco	3957	144.81
Clerks Expenses		
Office Allowance Apr-Jun 67.50		
Sky Broadband 10.00		
Sky talk 11.00		
88.50	3958	88.50
2009 Grant Awards		
Eastry Village Hall	3959	500.00
Eastry Neighbourhood Watch	3960	50.00
Joint Services Club	3961	100.00
Eastry Village News	3962	500.00

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

10. PLANNING

- a) Applications
- b) Decisions

The above had been dealt with at the planning meeting earlier in the evening.

c) Other

- i. DDC Planning Status of Village Design Statements
- ii. South East England Partnership Board provision for Gypsies, travellers and Travelling Show people.

The above were discussed and noted by the members.

11. FORTHCOMING EVENTS

a) Council Events

Nothing planned at this time.

b) Outside Events

- i. Councillors Information day Wed 29th July 2009
- ii. KALC Dover Area Committee meeting Thur 16th July 2009
- iii. Sandwich Neighbourhood Forum Thur 16th July 2009 Eastry Church Hall 6.30pm

The above were discussed and noted by the members, there was some concern that KALC and Neighbourhood forum were on the same night.

12. ALLOTMENTS AND LEISURE FIELDS

a) Gun Park

i. Request from Youth Club – Wish to take over upkeep of Teen Shelter

After some discussion it was agreed that the Youth Club should be allowed to take on the upkeep of the shelter. The PC would still own and insure the structure. The Clerk to write to the Youth Club.

Action Sarah Wells

c) Allotments

Following the meeting of the Allotments and Leisure Fields committee the Clerk had asked for a quote to clear the very overgrown allotment on the School side. She had received a quote for £770.00.

After some discussion it was agreed that this site should be cleared, it was proposed by Cllr Shevde and seconded by Cllr Kemp that the quote be accepted.

Action Sarah Wells

d) Pond

The Pond Warden had contacted the Clerk about the work required in the autumn to continue the points outlined in the Pond Management Plan. It was agreed that quotes should be obtained to be considered at the Sept meeting.

Action Sarah Wells

e) Picnic Site

Nothing to discus

f) Allotments Play Area

It was agreed that the contractor should be asked to spray underneath the adventure trail.

Action Sarah Wells

g) Correspondence

i. BTCV Tree and Pond Warden Scheme – Annual return

The Clerk to send the return.

Action Sarah Wells

13. CHURCHYARD AND CEMETERY

a) Churchyard & Cemetery

A complaint about rabbits eating flowers had been received. The members felt there was little that could be done about this as the Cemetery backed onto open fields.

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b) Recreation Ground

The Clerk had received a request for permission to run a free exercise class in the Recreation Ground on Monday evenings, the members felt this was a good use of the ground.

14. **REPORTS**

a) Dist Cllrs

Dist Cllrs Manion and Kenton gave brief reports on activities at DDC.

b) Parish Councillors

Cllr Smith gave brief reports on Village Hall Committee and Eastry Youth Peoples Club.

15. COMMUNICATION

a) Village News Letter - Sept Edition

Next stage of Pond work to take place in the autumn.

b) Mercury Report

DDC out of office noise complain number

c) Web Site

As per a and b above.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Meeting Dates for 2009

Mon 7th September Mon 5th October Mon 2nd November Mon 7th December

The meeting closed at 8.45pm.