

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF EASTRY PARISH COUNCIL. HELD AT THE
PARISH ROOM AT 7.30pm ON MONDAY 4th DECEMBER 2006**

Present: Councillors S Shevde S Smith I Mollart A Barwick
 D Carr M Pemble N Kenton A Wiles

S Wells Clerk to the Parish Council Dist Cllr Manion

1. APOLOGIES

Cllr S Ruston & S Hooper, PC Wright & R Priestley. Community Warden

Cllr Jones had tendered his resignation. The Clerk to write and thank him for his work on behalf of the Council and to inform DDC. **Action Sarah Wells**

2. MINUTES OF LAST MEETINGS

i) Minutes of Planning Committee 7.00pm 6th November 2006

It was proposed by Cllr Mollart and seconded by Cllr Pemble that the above minutes should be signed as a true and correct record, all agreed and the Chairman signed the minutes.

ii) Minutes of Ordinary meeting 7.30pm 6th November 2006

It was proposed by Cllr Mollart 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.

3. ACTIONS FROM THE LAST MEETING

Allotments and Leisure Fields

a) Allotments

Clearing vacant allotments - The Clerk had received a quote for clearing the bramble from the vacant allotments. **Action Discharged**

Pond

New mower to be purchased as agreed. **Action Sarah Wells
Ongoing**

Correspondence

Allotments and Leisure Fields

Gun Park

Annual Safety Report – Allianz Cornhill – The Clerk was still trying to arrange a meeting between the chairman of Allotments and Leisure Committee, the risk assessment committee and herself. **Action Sarah Wells Ongoing**

Correspondence

Correspondence needing a response/decision

KCC – Towards 2010 – How does it affect you – a copy of the DVD had been received and was on circulation. **Action Discharged**

Other

KCC – Promoting Kentcarshare in your parish – this information had been put in the Parish News.

Action Discharged

Finance

Christmas Trees – The Christmas tree outside the Village Hall had been put up and the lights were on it. The tree outside the Five Bells had been erected; however the lights had not been put up yet. The Clerk to write and Thank Mr and Mrs Bradley for supplying the tree Five Bells tree. It was also agreed that she should write to the Landlord of the Five Bell to let him know that the lights and the keys to the stand should be returned to the Parish Council after Christmas.

Action Sarah Wells

Allotments and Leisure Fields**a) Gun Park**

Letter from Insurance Company Ref Claims for repairs to skate ramp – The damaged mesh door had been removed.

Action Discharged

Quote for work to damaged trees – Gun Park – An additional quote had been obtained.

Action Discharged

Request from School to put in path to their new gate – The Clerk had written to the school.

Action Discharged

b) Allotments

Cllr Ruston had spoken to the person that deals with pigeon nuisance. The gentleman was very busy at the moment but would contact the Clerk when he was free to come and assess the problem. Cllr Ruston to remind him.

Action Cllr Ruston Ongoing

Churchyard & Cemetery

Quote for work to Hedges and to remove Rogue Trees – The quote had been accepted and the work carried out.

Action Discharged

Consecration of Grave Spaces – The Clerk had sent a plan of the grave spaces to be consecrated to the Diocesan registry.

Action Discharged

Communication**Village News Letter – Dec Addition**

Christmas Trees, Kentcarshare, Useful numbers for local residents. Information for young drivers. Teen shelter. Hi Kent at Coffee Break 2nd Friday of month.

Action Discharged

4. CODE OF CONDUCT

- i) 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.
- ii) Minutes and Agenda Dec Standards Board Meeting
- iii) DDC – Process for considering councillor's dispensation requests

i to iii were discussed and noted by the Council

5. CORRESPONDENCE

a) Correspondence needing a response/decision

- i) Kent Police Authority – 2007/08 Survey

The Clerk to respond.

Action Sarah Wells

- ii) Request for Information under the Freedom of Information Act

This request had been answered by the Clerk.

- iii) Offer of Office Furniture from Eastry House

The members were grateful for the offer but did not have a need for any office furniture at this time.

b) Consultation Documents

None received

c) News letters and Circulars

- i) The Local Government White Paper – Strong and Prosperous Communities Reflective Summary
- ii) Southern Water Drought Update
- iii) Countryside Alliance – Post Offices
- iv) Herne and Broomfield Parish News
- v) ACRK News
- vi) Village Design Statements
- vii) Clerks and Councils Direct
- viii) LCR
- ix) The Relay
- x) Neighbourhood Watch News
- xi) Minutes from KAPC Dover area committee meeting

i to xi were discussed and noted by the Council

d) Other

No other correspondence received

6. HIGHWAYS

- a) Kent Highways Services – Information Leaflets

Noted

- b) E-mail Ref green in front of Gore Terrace, Gore Road

The Clerk had spoken to the Highways department about this e-mail

- c) Request for footpaths in Gun Park to be widened

The Clerk to forward this request to the correct department.

Action Sarah Wells

7. FINANCE

- a) KCC – Pension Scheme Information - Noted
 b) Environmental Agents Pay review

The Clerk informed the meeting that the minimum wage had been increased with effect from 1-10-06. This means that the environmental engineer was now being paid less than minimum wage. It was proposed by Cllr Kenton and seconded by Cllr Wiles that the rate should be increased to £5.50 per hour. To take effect from 1-10-06. The Clerk to inform Mrs Broster and sort out any back pay owed. **Action Sarah Wells**

8. ACCOUNTS

Receipts - November 06	Current	Capital		
Description				
Funerals - Kemp & Whistler	940.00			
VAT Reclaim	1262.27			
Grant Community Warden for Coffee Break	250.00			
	2452.27			
Payments				
Description		Cheque No	Amount	VAT
Mrs Broster - Highways - Nov	265.00			
Back Pay for Oct to bring up to Min Wage	5.00			
	270.00	3522	270.00	
Mr Swain - Toilets Nov	130.00		130.00	
Mr Swain - Toilets Supplies Nov	2.71			
	132.71	3523		
Village Hall Hire - Coffee Break Oct/Nov		3524	105.60	
Grave Digging		3525	450.00	
Cllr Hooper Travelling - KAPC AGM		3526	47.96	
SLCC Membership		3527	60.00	
Glasdon UK - Bollards Gun Park		3528	347.70	51.78
Stripy Landscape - 6th - 31 Oct	752.50			
Stripy Landscape - Work not charged	270.00			
	1022.50	3529	1022.50	
Petty Cash		3530	60.00	
S .Wells Salary Nov		3531	621.17	
Inland Revenue				
Income Tax	37.24			
Employees NI	28.29			
Employers NI	26.92			
	92.45	3532	92.45	
Employees Pension Contribution	43.83			
Employers Pension Contribution	75.25			
Kent County Council	119.08	3533	119.08	
Clerks Expenses				
Broadband/Telephone Tiscali		3534	22.85	3.40

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

9. PLANNING

a) Applications

- i) DOV/06/01363 & DOV/06/01362

Proposal: Construction of outdoor swimming pool together with erection of associated structures for shower and pool plant

Location: Heronden House and Land Adj, Heronden, Eastry

After consideration of the plans it was agreed that no objections should be raised to these applications.

b) Decisions

- i) DOV/06/011558 – granted – Re-pollard to previous pollard points – 17 Heronden View, Eastry
- ii) DOV/06/011557 – granted – Re-pollard to previous pollard points – 23 Heronden View, Eastry
- iii) DOV/06/011554 – granted – Re-pollard one Sycamore a and four Poplars pollard to previous pollard points – 19 Heronden View, Eastry
- iv) DOV/06/01124 – Granted full planning permission – Erection of two storey and single storey side extensions and detached garage (existing extension and conservatory to be demolished)
- v) DOV/06/00952 – Granted full planning permission – Erection of extension to existing grain store – Upper Venson Farm, Venson Road, Eastry
- vi) DOV/06/01026 – Granted full planning permission – Erection single storey rear extension together with change of use and conversion of existing outbuilding to provide single dwellinghouse for use as an annex to existing dwelling. The Old Forge, High Street.
- vii) TC/06/00063TC – Work to proceed – Works to Trees – Church Street

i to vii were discussed and noted by the Council

c) Other

- i) Whitfield Action Group – South East Plan
- ii) Apologies from Cllr Simon Leith – Ref meeting on 20th Nov
- iii) Kent Waste Consultation – Update
- iv) Kent Mineral Development Framework Development Plan Documents (DPDs): Submission of the Core Minerals Strategy, The Primary Minerals Development Control Policies DPD, and the core Construction Aggregates DPD and Proposals Map

i to iv were discussed and noted by the Council

10. FORTHCOMING EVENTS

a) Council Events

Annual Parish Meeting – The Clerk to invite written reports from village organisations. She should also invite County Councillor Ridings. **Action Sarah Wells**

b) Outside Events

11. ALLOTMENTS AND LEISURE FIELDS

b) Pavilion

Nothing to discuss

c) Gun Park

- i) Quote for Tree work

It was proposed by Cllr Shevde and seconded by Cllr Mollart that the quote from Tree Precision should be accepted, all agreed.

Action Sarah Wells

- ii) Cllr Smith reported that it is possible for a car to get onto the Gun Park from the Youth Club property. The Clerk to write to the youth Club and ask that they provide an additional bollard to prevent this from happening.

Action Sarah Wells

d) Allotments

- i) Quote to Flail Mow Brambles

It was proposed by Cllr Shevde and seconded by Cllr Mollart that the quote from Tree Precision should be accepted, all agreed.

Action Sarah Wells

e) Pond

Nothing to discuss

f) Allotments Play Area

Nothing to discuss

g) Picnic Site

Some changes to the volunteer opening and closing rota had been made.

h) Correspondence

- i) The Playing Field

Noted.

12. CHURCHYARD AND CEMETERY**a) Churchyard & Cemetery**

- i) Canterbury Diocese Registry – Consecration

The Diocese Registry had written to inform the Clerk that they did not have any records of the consecration of the cemetery in 1952. They had asked the Council to provide copies of the original planning application, and tile deeds and other information. According to Parish Council minutes all this information had been provided in 1952. The Clerk to see if any copies are still available.

Action Sarah Wells

b) Recreation Ground

Nothing to discuss

13. COFFEE BREAK

Cllr Mollart reported that the Community Warden had presented Coffee Break with a cheque for £250 to pay for the hiring of the Village Hall.

14. PARADE

No progress to discuss.

15. REPORTS**a) Dist Cllrs**

Cllrs Kenton and Manion reported on the activities of DDC

b) Parish Councillors

Cllr Smith reported on the Village Hall Committee meeting, the Youth Club Committee Meeting and the DDC Meeting of Town and Parish Councils.

17. COMMUNICATION**a) Village News Letter – Feb Addition**

It was agreed that a letter from the vice Chairman should be included. Also photos of Councillors, these should be forwarded to Cllr Carr by the end of December. Police Mobile Police Station Dates. The Clerk asked that space be saved in the June 2007 addition for the Council accounts.

b) Mercury Report

Mobile Police Station dates.

c) Web Site

As per Village News, plus minutes agenda's etc.

18. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

a) The next Ordinary meeting will be on **Monday 8th January 2007 7.30pm**

The meeting closed at 9.13pm.