

SHADOXHURST PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held at The Village Hall on Wednesday, 11 March 2015 at 7.30 pm

PRESENT: Mr W Hollands (Chair), Mrs J Kozlowski Mr R Buss
Mr S Frost and Mr B Howe

PARISH CLERK: Mrs J Batt

BOROUGH COUNCILLORS: Mrs A Hicks and Mr P Davison

COUNTY COUNCILLOR: Mr M Angell

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC: There were 5 Members of the Public present

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

An Apology for Absence was received from Miss M Smith (Prior commitment).

2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

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There were no Declarations of Significant Interest.

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i) **Updating of Declarations of Interest for the Code of Conduct**

Councillors are reminded that they should update their Declarations of Interest with the Monitoring Officer if necessary.

3. **ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

Minutes 381 of the previous meeting were accepted and it was unanimously agreed that Mr Hollands should sign them.

Proposed Mr Frost Seconded Mr Howe

4. **PUBLIC INTERVAL**

The meeting was opened to the members of the public present from 7.41- 7.46 for questions and comment.

5. **MATTERS FOR REPORT ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES**

There were no Matters Arising that were not covered on the agenda.

Quotation for repairs to Ceiling

Resolution: The Clerk was asked to contact the builder and ask them to proceed with the work required to the ceiling, but to inform us if it is going to cost more than the quoted price of £1990.00.

Field/Car Park/Play Area/Village Sign

The scouts have dug out an area of the car park and put the soil on the field. They are going to use it to level the area when the weather improves.

Application to extend Village Green Status to the newly registered piece of land

Nothing to report.

Tender for Village Hall Cleaning

One tender has been received from Mr and Mrs Harris for 3 hours per week at £10 per hour.

Resolution: Councillors agreed to accept Mr and Mrs Harris' tender.

9. CORRESPONDENCE, FINANCE AND OTHER COUNCIL BUSINESS

KCC Regulation Committee Member Panel 03.03.15

AwCRK

Oast to Coast

Weeds to Trees

EDF

Wicksteed

Rural Housing Alliance – Affordable Rural Housing: A practical guide for parish councils

Southern Water

Clerk and Councils Direct

Open Spaces

EMAIL CORRESPONDENCE – Forwarded to all councillors with email

No emails were brought to the attention of those present.

Long term Deposit account

Opening Balance	485.00	Balance per Current Account	435.00
Less Payment	<u>50.00</u>		
	435.00		

Bank Reconciliation – Treasurers Account

Opening Balance	21157.22	Balance per Treasurers Account	24851.18
Add Receipts	<u>25893.91</u>	Less uncleared cheques	<u>1825.99</u>
	47051.13		23025.19
Less Payments	<u>24025.94</u>	Plus outstanding receipts	<u>0.00</u>
	23025.19		23025.19
Less Earmarked Funds	<u>3685.86</u>	Less Earmarked Funds	<u>3685.86</u>
AVAILABLE FUNDS	19339.33	AVAILABLE FUNDS	19339.33

Accounts to be paid

PAYEE	DETAILS	CHQ NO	NET	VAT	GROSS
Mrs J Batt	Salary		425.58		
	Expenses	738	27.82		453.40
The Post Officer	Income Tax	739	78.80		78.80
Mr D Harris	Litter Picking		50.00		
	Village Hall Cleaning	740	150.00		200.00
Clive Stanley	Webmaster Services	741	78.00		78.00
South East Water	Water for Hall	742	78.66		
	Water for Pavilion		11.73		90.39
Southern Water	Wastewater for Hall	743	27.40		127.40
Cancelled Cheque		744			
D R Thompson	Hedgecutting	745	60.00	12.00	72.00
AwCRK	Subscription	746	65.00		65.00
Solid Style	Repairs to doors	747	25.00		25.00
MBK Electrics	Electrical work to Pavilion	748	1085.00		1302.00

Councillors unanimously agreed to pay the above accounts and agreed with the amended Direct Debit Payments taken on 17 of each month.

EDF - £140.00 – Village Hall

EDF - £17.00 – Pavilion

Proposed Mr Frost Seconded Mrs Kozlowski

Earmarked Funds

	Balance 14.05.14
Recreation Facilities	2000.00
Bulb and Tree Planting + Planters	150.00
Recycling Credits	1535.86
TOTAL	3685.86

Insurance

Nothing to report.

Newsletter

Nothing to report.

Risk Assessment

Mr Buss will complete in time for the next meeting.

Crime and Disorder

Received from PCSO Gary Car:

Since the last parish council meeting there has been one incident where a garage door was forced and items removed at a residence on Magpie Hall road. There have been no reported of anti-social-behavior in the village. There have been several incidents of abandoned vehicles found on agricultural land in the ward, and details have been passed to local authorities.

There have been several thefts of fuel oil in the rural community and I would encourage all owners of tanks to fit alarms to help prevent thefts.

Broadband

Nothing to report.

Parish Council Caretaker Scheme

Mrs Kozlowski will invite the Chairman of High Halden to the next meeting.

Updating of Financial Regulations

Deferred until the next meeting.

Back up for Computerised Records

It was agreed that the Clerk should purchase 3 memory sticks.

10. PLANNING

Please see attached list.

Notification of Receipt of amended plans and further information relating to the Environmental Statement in respect of an Application for Outline Planning Permission at Land at Chilmington Green, Ashford, Council ref 12/00400/AS

11. OUTSIDE REPORTS

Tree Warden

Nothing to report.

Borough Councillors Report

Councillor Hicks told councillors that she had attended the birthday party of a lady in Cotton Hill House who was 105.

Rectory Bungalows have had new roofs.

The Chilmington Green access has been moved 10 metres further north to avoid car headlights shining into buildings on the other side of the road.

Close scrutiny is required regarding the planning application at Little Criol Wood.

With regard to Universal Credit, if anyone is known to have problems, Mrs Hicks advised the council to contact officers at International House.

Parish Councillors were asked to agree to the sales and marketing process. This will be included on the next agenda.

Councillor Davison reported that the trees at Little Criol Wood have a blanket TPO on them.

Mr Frost emailed councillors during the month about problems at the garage site. Mr Davison said that if they continue the Borough Council should be informed.

The edges along Church Lane are to be rebuilt.

County Councillors Report

Councillor Angell reported that KCC are awaiting reports from Kent Highways regarding the development at Glebe Farm, so it will not be determined in April.

Kent Highways has prevented water running into all the driveways except one along Church Lane and that is being investigated. Councillors are concerned that the mud will be pushed back into the ditch, causing a recurrence of the problem.

Footpaths and Bridleways

Nothing to report.

12. VILLAGE RESPONSIBILITIES

Matters Arising from the Round Robin

On agenda in error.

Items to be reported to the KHS/PROW

The clerk was not asked to report anything to KHS or the PROW.

Update on Chilmington Green

On agenda in error.

Tender for Litter Picking

One tender has been received from Mr and Mrs Harris for £50 for 8 hours work.

Resolution: Councillors unanimously agreed to accept Mr and Mrs Harris’ tender.

Traffic Calming

Mr Frost asked whether it would be possible to gather evidence on the speed of traffic through the village. Mr Angell will speak to the Community Safety Partnership regarding this.

Naming of New Development on Woodchurch Road

We have received notification that it is proposed to name the new development on the site of Shadoxhurst Garage, Woodchurch Road Oak View. Councillors did not support this name and agreed that they would like the development to be called Bingham Close in memory of Mr Tom Bingham.

13. FORUM FOR EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION BETWEEN COUNCILLORS

The next meeting will be held on 8 April 2015.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.05 pm.

Signed..... Dated
Mr W Hollands, Chairman

SHADOXHURST PARISH COUNCIL

RECORD OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS

2015

MARCH 2015

15/00218/AS Woodside Spa, Corina, Hornash Lane, Shadoxhurst, Kent TN26 1HU
Extension for use as part farm office and part spa facility (retrospective)
Parish Council: Support

15/00167/AS Clarkswood, Hornash Lane, Shadoxhurst, Ashford, Kent, TN26 1HT
Two storey rear extension, single storey side extension
Deferred to next meeting.

Further details have been submitted in respect of the following, but not received in time to advertise on the agenda. Councillors agreed to discuss and comment as follows:-

KCC/AS/0063/2014 Glebe Farm, Duck Lane, Shadoxhurst, Ashford, Kent TN26 1LT
Storage and processing of scrap metal including End of Life Vehicles (ELVs),
Construction of concrete slab base and drainage interceptor, processing
building, storage building (non-ferrous metals and batteries), weighbridge,
portable cabin office and welfare facility and use of mobile crane and crusher
**Parish Council: STRONGLY OBJECT on the grounds that the owners
are exploiting the current certificate of lawful use, which was intended for
a small business run by a local family.**

HIGHWAYS

The access roads are far too narrow to cope with the amount and size of traffic that will be generated by this development.

There is a shortage of passing places along the surrounding lanes for such large vehicles.

The soft verges make the local roads totally unsuitable for HGVs and the amount of other traffic which will be generated.

The surface on the surrounding roads is totally unsuitable for HGVs and the excessive increase in vehicle numbers that this development will cause.

BYWAYS

The access onto the site is from a byway rather the highway.

The increase in the number of vehicles accessing the site will pose a danger to all users of the byway – including pedestrians, dogs and horses

A public footpath runs through the site.

LOCAL ENVIRONMENT

The overall general impact on the surrounding environment will be extremely detrimental.

The entry to the site is through a Conservation Area

The site is next to ancient woodland

The local church and Village Green are at the junction of Church Lane and Duck Lane and when events are taking place in the church a large number of cars have to park around this junction. This will cause serious congestion when large lorries are trying to access the site.

There is serious concern regarding chemical pollution, from the site entering the water course via the White Water Dyke

The site is acknowledged by the Environment Agency as being within zones 1, 2 and 3 for flooding and is in the Flood Plain

The proposed development will have a major, detrimental impact on local wildlife, flora and fauna.

IMPACT ON LOCAL RESIDENTS

The proposed development will have a serious impact on the general quality of life of local residents in this quiet rural village.

The excessive amount of HGVs and other vehicles will regularly pass through the residential area.

The entry to the site is through a built up area used by children and the elderly. The local children stand to wait for and are dropped off by the school bus along the roads to be travelled by the traffic generated by this proposed development.

As there is a limited amount of pavement in this area, residents will no longer be able to walk, jog or cycle along the lanes in relative safety.

Noise pollution is of extreme concern to all residents of Shadoxhurst
Light pollution will totally ruin the rural character of the area.

SITE

There is no designated area on the plan for the storage of tyres

The area is already well served by at least 3 other yards in the area dealing with End of Life Vehicles

LOCAL OPPOSITION

There is a great deal of local opposition to this development

A petition against this development has 400+ signatures to date.

18 residents attended the Parish Council meeting to voice their objections