

SHADOXHURST PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held at The Village Hall
on Wednesday, 12 August 2015 at 7.30 pm

PRESENT: Mr W Hollands (Chair), , Mrs S Ellis, Mr K Carroll
and Mr D Ledger

PARISH CLERK: Mrs J Batt

BOROUGH COUNCILLORS: Mrs A Hicks and Mr G Bradford

COUNTY COUNCILLOR:

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC: There was one Member of the Public present for part
of the meeting

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An Apology for Absence was received from County Councillor, Mr M Angell

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

Proposed Mr Carroll Seconded Mr Hollands

4. BOROUGH COUNCILLORS REPORT

Mrs Hicks reported that it is hoped that the Right to Buy Bill will be thrown out as rural
communities are against the concept. She read out a copy of a letter sent to our MP.

Street lights will not be installed in Oak View.

The planning application for 15 houses at the rear of Park Farm Close is expected to go to the
Planning Committee in September.

Councillors were sad to hear of the recent death of Reg Harrington, who was our Borough Councillor for some years.

Mr Bradford and Mrs Hicks met with planning officers regarding Duck Lane.

Mr Bradford reported that he had arranged with ABC to remove the graffiti from the bus shelter in Farley Close

5. COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT

Councillor Angell sent his apologies as he was unable to attend the meeting.

6. PUBLIC INTERVAL

The meeting was opened to the members of the public present from 8.05 – 8.17 pm for questions and comment.

7. MATTERS FOR REPORT ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

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

8. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Chairman reported that the bus shelter in Farley Close had been covered in graffiti. Councillor Bradford had asked ABC to clean it but the result is that it is now badly marked. Mr Carroll will speak to an officer from ABC to see whether the situation can be rectified.

10. SHADOXHURST WEBSITE

Councillors were satisfied that all is in order.

Mr Stanley is increasing his prices from January 2016 to £26 per hour. Councillors agreed the increase.

10. VILLAGE HALL, PAVILION, RECREATION FIELD AND VILLAGE GREEN

General Issues relating to the Village Hall

Mr Hollands has asked an electrician to investigate the possibility of installing a meter for heating in the hall.

The gates to the rear of the hall have both been damaged. Mr Hollands reported that he has asked T Laws to repair them.

Inspection of Village Hall following Hiring

Mr Hollands in July and September.

General Issues relating to the Pavilion

The builders are going to start work on the ceiling next week.

Field/Car Park/Play Area/Village Sign

Mr Bradford, in his capacity as Scout Master is concerned that the members of a football team park their vehicles in the entrance to the Recreation Field and he is unable to lock the gate following a scout meeting. He will try and get a contact number for the team so that we can discuss the possibility of giving them a key to the gate.

The area of the sign had a load of tarmac dumped on it by the contractors installing pipes to the new development. Mr Hollands arranged for it to be cleared and the sign area tidied up at a cost of £50, agreed by councillors.

Request for Community Exercise Equipment

A request from a young lady for Community Exercise Equipment was discussed and it was agreed to defer it until the next meeting.

11. CORRESPONDENCE, FINANCE AND OTHER COUNCIL BUSINESS

ABC Community Governance Review of Ashford Borough Draft Recommendations
Countryside Voice

EMAIL CORRESPONDENCE – Forwarded to all councillors with email

Holly West

Completion of Bank Mandate

Councillors completed the mandate and will all go into the bank with ID.

Long term Deposit account

Opening Balance	435.00	Balance per Current Account	460.00
Add Transfer ex Treasurers Account	<u>175.00</u>		
	610.00		
Less Deposit Refund	<u>150.00</u>		
	460.00		

Bank Reconciliation – Treasurers Account

Opening Balance	23850.89	Balance per Treasurers Account	24307.94
Add Receipts	<u>11407.93</u>	Less uncleared cheques	<u>1885.40</u>
	35258.82		22422.54
Less Payments	<u>12927.28</u>	Plus outstanding receipts	<u>109.00</u>
	22331.51		22531.54
Less Earmarked Funds	<u>4794.31</u>	Less uncleared deposit cheques	<u>200.00</u>
AVAILABLE FUNDS	17537.23		22331.54
		Less Earmarked Funds	<u>4794.31</u>
			17537.23

Accounts to be paid

PAYEE	DETAILS	CHQ NO	NET	VAT	GROSS
Cancelled Cheque		773			

Mrs J Batt	Salary Expenses General Admin Deposit Refund	774	434.58 8.37 17.68 150.00		610.63
Mr D Harris	Village Hall Cleaning Litter Picking	775	150.00 50.00		200.00
L Fenton	Taps for Village Hall	776	93.00		93.00
KALC	Councillor Training	777	20.83	4.17	25.00
CST	Grounds Maintenance	778	849.96	169.99	1019.95
Mrs J Batt	J Cloths and Paper for invoices	779	5.68	1.14	6.82
W Hollands	Tidying Village Sign	780	50.00		50.00

Councillors unanimously agreed to pay the above accounts and agreed with the amended

Direct Debit Payments taken on 17 of each month.

EDF - £427 – Village Hall and EDF - £21.00 – Pavilion

Proposed Mrs Ellis Seconded Mr Carroll

Earmarked Funds

	Balance 14.05.14	+/- May	Balance 13.05.15
Recreation Facilities Budget 15/16	2000.00	+500.00	2500.00
Bulb and Tree Planting + Planters Budget 15/16	150.00	+100.00	250.00
Recycling Credits Received May 2015	1535.86	+508.45	2044.31
TOTAL	3685.86	1108.45	4794.31

Insurance

Nothing to report.

Newsletter

The Clerk reported that she had received a call from a resident saying informing her that the Celia Blakeley Centre is only closed for chemotherapy.

Risk

Assessment

Mrs Ellis, Mr Ledger and Mr Carroll will liaise with regard to carrying out the Risk Assessments. The Clerk will forward the forms.

Mrs Ellis and Mr Ledger will carry out the weekly inspection on the play equipment.

Crime and Disorder

Received from PCSO Gary Carr:-

have been informed by Kent Police that I am remaining as your local officer for Hamstreet, Shadoxhurst and Woodchurch. Due to reorganisation within the police I have further been given wards including the villages of Wittersham, Rolvenden, Stone in Oxney, Appledore and Kenardington. As you are aware this is a massive area for one officer to cover so my plan will be to write a monthly report covering all the villages in regards to crime and ASB trends. Individual parish councils will then be able to take relevant information. I shall try to attend pc meetings but this may not be possible due to many pcs having the same meetings on the same dates.

Parish Council Caretaker Scheme

Nothing to report.

Defibrillators

Defer to next meeting.

Quotes for work required to Village Hall Doors and Windows

Mrs Ellis and Mr Carroll to send Mr Hollands the contact details for 2 companies.

KALC

Nothing to report.

12. PLANNING

Please see attached list.

13. OUTSIDE REPORTS

Tree Warden

Nothing to report.

Footpaths and Bridleways

On agenda in error.

14. VILLAGE RESPONSIBILITIES

Items to be reported to the KHS/PROW

The Clerk will contact ABC with regard to a street name sign for St Peter's Way.

15. FORUM FOR EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION BETWEEN COUNCILLORS

It would not be legal to add an item to the agenda allowing discussion and decision of an item

received after the publication of the agenda

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.40 pm.
