

SHADOXHURST PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES 380

Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held at The Village Hall on Wednesday, 14 January 2015 at 7.30 pm

PRESENT: Mr W Hollands (Chair), Miss M Smith, Mr S Frost and Mr B Howe

PARISH CLERK: Mrs J Batt

BOROUGH COUNCILLORS:

COUNTY COUNCILLOR:

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC: There were 15 Members of the Public present for part of the meeting.

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

An Apology for Absence was received from Mrs J Kozlowski (illness), Mr R Buss (illness), Borough Councillor Mrs A Hicks and Mr P Davison and PCSO Gary Carr.

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

Proposed Mr Howe Seconded Mr Frost

4. **PUBLIC INTERVAL**

The meeting was opened to the Members of the Public present from 7.35 pm -8.11 pm 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.

6. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Chairman had nothing to report that was not covered on the agenda.

7. SHADOXHURST WEBSITE

Nothing to report.

8. VILLAGE HALL, PAVILION, RECREATION FIELD AND VILLAGE GREEN**General Issues relating to the Village Hall**

No general issues were reported.

Inspection of Village Hall following Hiring

Mr Buss in January, Mrs Kozlowski in February and Mr Frost in March.

Village Hall Oven

The new oven is now in place and a 50p slot meter will be installed shortly to enable hirers to use the oven and the 2 extra heaters in the hall.

General Issues relating to the Pavilion

The new tables and chairs have been delivered.

Pavilion Roof and Ceiling

The Clerk will give Mr Hollands number to local builder if he is interested in the work.

Field/Car Park/Play Area/Village Sign

The field has been too wet for the footballers to play.

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

Nothing to report.

Charity Recycling Bins

The British Heart Foundation has removed the bin from the car park because bags of food were being put into the bin and ruining the genuine donations. They are keen to leave a bin in the village and asked whether there was anywhere else we could accommodate one. They do have a wheelie bin, but that has to be kept inside. Councillors agreed that to a bin being put in the entrance to the Recreation Field.

We have asked the Air Ambulance to empty their bin more frequently.

9. CORRESPONDENCE, FINANCE AND OTHER COUNCIL BUSINESS

Clerk and Councils Direct

The Local Government Boundary Commission for England

KALC Agenda for meeting to be held 19.01.15

EMAIL CORRESPONDENCE – Forwarded to all councillors with email

Mr Seager re Broadband

ABC re use of hall as Rest Centre in an emergency

This matter will be added to the next agenda for discussion.

Preparation of Budget and Setting of Precept for 2015/2016

Resolution: Councillors unanimously agreed to leave the precept at £12770 for the financial year 2015-2016.

Please see budget attached.

Long term Deposit account

Opening Balance	485.00	Balance per Current Account	485.00
Add Transfer from Treasurers a/c	<u>485.00</u>	Plus transfer from Treasurers a/c	<u>485.00</u>
	603.76		603.76
Less Transfer to Treasurers a/c	<u>118.76</u>	Less transfer to Treasurers a/c	<u>118.76</u>
	485.00		485.00

Bank Reconciliation – Treasurers Account

Opening Balance	21157.22	Balance per Treasurers Account	27478.50
Add Receipts	<u>24083.91</u>	Less uncleared cheques	<u>4067.77</u>
	45241.13		23410.73
Less Payments	<u>21755.40</u>	Plus outstanding receipts	<u>75.00</u>
	23485.73		23485.73

Accounts to be paid

PAYEE	DETAILS	CHQ NO	NET	VAT	GROSS
Mrs J Batt	Salary and Expenses		425.78 58.31		484.09
Mr D Harris	Litter Picking Village Hall Cleaning		70.00 150.00		220.00
2 x Hirers of Hall	Deposit Refunds		300.00		300.00
Came & Co	Insurance Premium		1396.32		1396.32
Clive Stanley	Webmaster Services		102.00		102.00
Mr W Hollands	Expenses		80.00		80.00

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 Miss Smith Seconded Mr Howe

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

Mr Hollands confirmed that the insurance renewal details were correct.

Newsletter

The next edition is due in March.

Risk Assessment

Nothing to report.

Crime and Disorder

Since December's parish council meeting, there has been no reported crime in the ward. Fly tipping was reported on Criol Road which was passed onto Ashford Borough Council. There was a report of nuisance youths climbing onto the roof on the village hall. Patrols attended but unfortunately the youths had made off. I have continued to patrol around the village hall during the evenings to try and catch those responsible. A number of nuisance vehicles have been reported on the byway running from Duck Lane and information has been passed to our off road team.

10. PLANNING

Please see attached list.

Cllr Hick asked the Clerk to report that the Enforcement Officer from ABC is due to have a meeting with the owner of Glebe Farm and his agent regarding the proposals for the south side and the Enforcement Officer has also written to object to the proposals for the north side.

The owner of the garage site signed the land over to Orbit Homes and work is due to start shortly.

The Clerk was asked to contact the Planning Department and ask whether the Woodside Spa has planning permission.

11. OUTSIDE REPORTS**Tree Warden**

Nothing to report.

Borough Councillors Report

Neither Councillor was able to attend the meeting.

County Councillors Report

Councillor Angell was unable to attend the meeting.

Footpaths and Bridleways

The Clerk was asked to report that the bollards at the entrance to the Duck Lane Byway are not in use.

12. VILLAGE RESPONSIBILITIES**Matters Arising from the Round Robin**

There were no Matters Arising.

Items to be reported to the KHS

The drains and road surface in Lonefield.

Update on Chilmington Green

Nothing to report.

13. FORUM FOR EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION BETWEEN COUNCILLORS

The next meeting will be held on 11 February 2015.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.47 pm.

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

SHADOXHURST PARISH COUNCIL

RECORD OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS

2015

JANUARY 2015

14/01541/AS 15 Molloy Road, Shadoxhurst, Ashford, Kent TN26 1HR
Single storey rear extension; roof extension and change from hip to gable to facilitate loft conversion with rear dormer
Parish Council: Support

14/01590/AS Willow Lodge, Hornash Lane, Shadoxhurst, Ashford, Kent, TN26 1HT
Erection of a porch
Parish Council: Support

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