

# SHADOXHURST PARISH COUNCIL

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## MINUTES 392

### Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held in The Village Hall on Wednesday 9 December 2015 at 7.30 pm

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

**PARISH CLERK:** Mrs J Batt

**BOROUGH COUNCILLORS:** Mrs A Hicks

**COUNTY COUNCILLOR:** Mr M Angell

**MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC:** There were no Members of the Public present.

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

An Apology for Absence was received from Mrs J Kozlowski (work commitment), Mr R Buss (personal reasons), Mr K Carroll (personal reasons) and Borough Councillor Bradford.

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

**Declarations of Pecuniary Interest**

There were no Declarations of Pecuniary Interest.

**Declarations of Significant Interest**

There were no Declarations of Significant Interest.

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

**Proposed Mrs Ellis**

**Seconded Mr Ledger**

**4. BOROUGH COUNCILLORS REPORT**

Mrs Hicks reported that there were approximately 1500 people on the housing list in Ashford, which is in line with the national average. ABC is hoping to purchase another property to increase the available housing stock.

Councillors discussed various planning issues with Mrs Hicks.

A local farmer is keen to sell one of his fields to a developer for bungalows to help the young people in the area.

**5. COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT**

Councillor Angell reported that there was to be a full council meeting on 10 December, after which the budget would be discussed. He said he understood that good progress was being made with cutting the deficit to find the £80 million pounds that KCC needs to save next year. The majority of the money has now been returned from Iceland.

Mr Angell reported that he is has been in touch with the PROW officer regarding the bollards that have been cut away in Duck Lane. The cost of replacing them is going to be expensive so the officer is assessing the situation.

**6. PUBLIC INTERVAL**

There were no Members of the Public present.

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

All councillors are now on circulation the list to be informed on any meetings regarding Chilmington Green.

**8. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

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

**9. SHADOXHURST WEBSITE**

Nothing to report.

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

**General Issues relating to the Village Hall**

The Clerk reported that she had spoken to the Cleaner and asked her not to wash the floor in the morning, or before the Pilates class and had also asked him to lock the hoover in the Parish Cupboard.

The issue with the taps has been resolved.

The new windows have been installed and councillors are very pleased with the result.

Mr Angell offered to send the Clerk the details of the company he uses to maintain the fire extinguishers at Kingsnorth, as it has not been possible to arrange an appointment with the company we usually use.

**Old Toys/Clutter behind the Village Hall**

It was agreed to leave this item on the agenda. Mr Hollands will speak to Mrs Corcoran.

**Provision of Crockery for the Village Hall**

Mrs Hicks suggested a company that supplies catering equipment and Mrs Ellis will look at their website.

**Inspection of Village Hall following Hiring**

Mr Hollands in December and January.

**General Issues relating to the Pavilion**

Nothing to report.

**Field/Car Park/Play Area/Village Sign/Village Green**

A car tried to avoid the road closed signs in Church Lane and has churned the grass up on The Green. It will not be possible to repair the damage until the spring. It was suggested that we install bollards along the road side edge to prevent cars from either driving onto The Green or being able to drive right across onto the road if they drive on from the path.

**Request for Community Exercise Equipment**

Nothing to report.

**11. CORRESPONDENCE, FINANCE AND OTHER COUNCIL BUSINESS**

F.I.R.E.

**EMAIL CORRESPONDENCE – Forwarded to all councillors with email**

ABC re Section 106 agreements

ABC re Precept for 2016-2017

Landscape Services re Grounds Maintenance 2016

**Long term Deposit account**

Opening Balance	<b>460.00</b>	Balance per Current Account	<b>510.00</b>
Add Transfer ex Treasurers Account	<u>50.00</u>		
	<b>510.00</b>		

**Bank Reconciliation – Treasurers Account**

Opening Balance	23850.89	Balance per Treasurers Account	27060.90
Add Receipts	<u>21732.09</u>	Plus Uncleared Receipts	<u>67.50</u>
	<b>45582.98</b>		<b>27128.40</b>
Less Payments	<u>23165.68</u>	Less Uncleared Payments	<u>3811.10</u>
	<b>22417.30</b>		<b>23317.30</b>
		Plus Uncleared Deposit Received	<u>000.00</u>
			<b>23317.30</b>
		Less Uncleared Deposit Refunds	<u>900.00</u>
			<b>22417.30</b>
Less Earmarked Funds	<u>4731.31</u>	Less Earmarked Funds	<u>4731.31</u>
<b>AVAILABLE FUNDS</b>	<b>17685.99</b>	<b>AVAILABLE FUNDS</b>	<b>17685.99</b>

**Accounts to be paid**

<b>PAYEE</b>	<b>DETAILS</b>	<b>CHQ NO</b>	<b>NET</b>	<b>VAT</b>	<b>GROSS</b>
Mrs J Batt	Salary Expenses General Admin	809	434.58 12.87 21.72		469.17
Mr D Harris	Village Hall Cleaning Litter Picking	810	90.00 50.00		140.00
The Post Office	Income Tax	811	51.80		51.80
CST Ltd	Grass Cutting	812	1112.61	222.52	1335.13
Hirers of Hall x 2	Deposit Refund	813/4	300.00		300.00
Mr J Kettle	Window Cleaning	815	50.00		50.00
Window World of Kent	Hall Windows	816	1358.34	271.66	1630.00

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

**EDF - £239.00 – Village Hall and EDF - £16.00 – Pavilion**

**Proposed Mr Hollands Seconded Mrs Ellis**

**Earmarked Funds**

	<b>Balance 13.05.15</b>	<b>+/- October</b>	<b>Balance 14.10.15</b>
Recreation Facilities	2500.00		2500.00
Bulb and Tree Planting + Planters Bulbs for Planters in Car Park	250.00	-63.00	187.00
Recycling	2044.31		2044.31
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4794.31</b>	<b>-63.00</b>	<b>4731.31</b>

**Budget and Setting of Precept for 2016-2017**

**Resolution: Councillors unanimously agreed to set the Precept for 2016-2017 at £14,000.**

Please see budget attached.

**Insurance**

The Council has a Long Term Agreement with AVIVA until February 2017.

**Newsletter**

The next edition is due to be published shortly.

**Risk Assessment**

The Repeat Inspection Form has been returned to the play inspection co.

**Crime and Disorder**

PCSO Carr has not reported any crime in Shadoxhurst.

**Defibrillators**

Nothing to report.

**KALC**

Nothing to report.

**12. PLANNING**

Please see attached list.

**13. OUTSIDE REPORTS**

**Tree Warden**

Nothing to report.

**Footpath Warden**

Nothing to report.

**14. VILLAGE RESPONSIBILITIES**

**Items to be reported to the KHS/PROW**

Councillors did not ask the Clerk to report any items to KHS/PROW..

**15. FORUM FOR EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION BETWEEN COUNCILLORS**

Mr Ledger attended the KALC Local Plan meeting, prior to attending this meeting and it was agreed that he should fill in the Local Plan Template on behalf of the council.

The next meeting will be held on 13 January 2015.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.50 pm.

Signed..... Dated .....

Mr W Hollands, Chairman

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## RECORD OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS

### 2015

#### DECEMBER 2015

15/01496/AS Land rear of the Kings Head, Woodchurch Road, Shadoxhurst, Kent  
Residential development comprising 24 x 2 storey dwellings with all associated infrastructure and services  
Parish Council: OBJECTS on the following grounds:-  
Too many houses for the size of the site  
Inadequate parking – extra spaces needed to allow for visitors to the properties  
Another access being created onto Woodchurch Road, too close to the entrance to the Kings Head Public House  
Poor site lines for traffic exiting the development  
The Green Area serves no purpose for the majority of the residents of Shadoxhurst and appears to be designed so that it will flood in heavy rain, suggesting that the existing and proposed surface water drainage system is inadequate.  
Who will maintain the Green Area?  
Loss of biodiversity  
The sewerage system in the village will not cope with the extra houses  
Loss of permissive footpaths  
Loss of village amenity  
Councillors are disappointed that the developer did not take up the advice of Ashford Borough Council and arrange to meet with the local community.  
There will be a further draw on an already inadequate broadband infrastructure in the village.

#### **Decision Notices received from ABC**

15/01227/AS Snailswood Farm House, Tally Ho Road, Shadoxhurst, Ashford, Kent TN26 1HW  
Replacement of existing outbuildings with detached two storey pool house;  
erection of oak framed detached gazebo  
**Borough Council: Permit**