

SHADOXHURST PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held at The Village Hall on Thursday 4 September 2014 at 7.30 pm

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

PARISH CLERK: Mrs J Batt

BOROUGH COUNCILLORS:

COUNTY COUNCILLOR:

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC: There were 2 Members of the Public present.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An Apology for Absence was received from Mrs J Kozlowski (family commitment), Mr A Porter, (work commitment), Borough Councillors Mrs A Hicks and Mr P Davison, County Councillor Mr M Angell and PCSO Gary Carr.

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.

2. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Minutes 375 of the previous meeting were accepted and it was unanimously agreed that Mr Hollands should sign them.

Proposed Mr Buss Seconded Mr Howe

4. PUBLIC INTERVAL

The meeting was opened to the members of the Public present from 7.35 – 7.55 for questions and comment.

5. MATTERS FOR REPORT ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

There were no Matters for Report 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

Councillor agreed to leave the Parish Plan and the Wish List on the web site.

8. VILLAGE HALL, PAVILION, RECREATION FIELD AND VILLAGE GREEN**Inspection of Village Hall following Hiring**

Mrs Kozlowski in September, Mr Hollands in October and Mr Frost in November.

Pavilion Roof and Ceiling

Mr Hollands is in the process of obtaining quotes for repairs to the ceiling.

Field/Car Park/Play Area/Village Sign

The dead tree in the field behind the bin needs removing. Councillors unanimously agreed to ask Mr Hollands to remove it.

Registration of Village Green

The details are with the Land Registry.

9. CORRESPONDENCE, FINANCE AND OTHER COUNCIL BUSINESS

Serious Crime Directorate

Healthwatch

EMAIL CORRESPONDENCE – Forwarded to all councillors with email

Councillors did not bring any emails to the attention of the meeting.

Long term Deposit account

Opening Balance	118.76	Balance per Current Account	118.76
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	24982.94
Add Receipts	12939.37	Less uncleared cheques	<u>1479.27</u>
Deposits received	<u>150.00</u>		23503.67
	34246.59	Balance per Current Account	<u>485.00</u>
Less Expenses	10477.92		23988.67
Deposits refunded	<u>300.00</u>		
	23468.67		
Add back deposits 370 + 150	<u>520.00</u>		
	23988.67		

Accounts to be paid

PAYEE	DETAILS	CHQ NO	NET	VAT	GROSS
Mrs J Batt	Salary and Expenses	685	415.04 31.46		446.50
Mr D Harris	Litter Picking and Village Hall Cleaning Cleaning Materials	686	50.00 120.00 20.36	4.08	194.44
The Post Office	Income Tax	687	70.90		70.60
KCC	Consumables	688	296.53	59.31	355.84
Mr R Buss	Silicone Gel	689	24.99		24.99
MBK	Repairs to Village Hall lights	690	198.50	39.70	238.20
S E Water	Village Hall Water	691	63.29		63.29

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

EDF - £268.00 – Village Hall

EDF - £16.00 – Pavilion

Proposed Miss Smith Seconded Mr Frost

Earmarked Funds

	Balance 14.05.14
Recreation Facilities	2000.00
Bulb and Tree Planting + Planters	150.00
Recycling Credits Received May 2014	1535.86
TOTAL	3685.86

Insurance

Nothing to report.

Newsletter

Items suggested for the next edition:-

Dog fouling

Removal of recycling bins

ABC response to site submissions

Risk Assessment

Mr Buss presented the Risk Assessment and councillors will deal with the issues raised.

Formation of a Complaints Committee

Deferred until we have a full council.

Crime and Disorder

From PCSO Gary Carr via email

During August a burglary took place at a house on Hamstreet Road, whilst the occupiers were away. There have been several calls to the police regarding anti- social behavior and criminality around the Blindgrooms Lane area of the village. Police and Ashford Borough Council investigations are ongoing at the moment. Calls have also been made regarding noise

from late night parties in the village and information has been passed to environmental services at Ashford Borough Council.

10. PLANNING

Please see attached list.

The Clerk was asked to contact the Planning Department at ABC and request the S106 payment from the developers of Shadoxhurst Garage.

An enforcement notice has been served on the site at Blindgrooms Lane.

Duck Lane

This application is due to go before the KCC Planning Committee on 10 September.

11. OUTSIDE REPORTS

Tree Warden

Nothing to report.

Borough Councillors Report

Neither councillor was able to attend the meeting.

County Councillors Report

Councillor Angell sent his apologies.

Footpaths and Bridleways

Complaints have been received about the amount of traffic using the green lane between Blindgrooms Lane and Hornash Lane.

12. VILLAGE RESPONSIBILITIES

Matters Arising from the Round Robin

There were no Matters Arising.

Items to be reported to the KHS

No items were put forward to be reported.

Update on Chilmington Green

Mr Frost suggested that we should discuss possible planning gains at the next meeting.

Complaint regarding the condition of local byways

Received from KCC

I fully appreciate that vehicle use of BOATs can be very contentious locally. Would it be helpful if I came to a Shadoxhurst Parish Council meeting with you to hear of the issues first hand and explain the statutory position, policy and the national picture in respect of BOAT management? I'm happy to do so if the Parish Council would like to suggest some dates.

In respect of bringing prosecutions relating to damage to the highway this has proved to be unfeasible in the past for two reasons:

Firstly BOATs are almost always, but not exclusively, maintainable public highways. Motor vehicle user groups when contacted about damage point immediately to a failure to maintain

to the necessary standard by the County Council; the result of which is the inevitable deterioration in the condition of the highway.

Secondly is the very great difficulty in bringing prosecution against any one vehicle user or group of users. We met this problem at Holly Hill where we had clear evidence of misuse by a number of users but it proved impossible to attribute all of the damage that had occurred to them. (The Crown Prosecution Service declined to prosecute for this very reason at Holly Hill) The more effective route to date has proved to be the introduction of Traffic Regulation Orders that enable the introduction of barriers and a very clear restriction that the police may then enforce. There are however significant resource implications for the County Council in introducing and enforcing such measures.

Councillors asked the Clerk to thank the officer but to say that they did not feel there would be any benefit from him attending a meeting.

13. FORUM FOR EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION BETWEEN COUNCILLORS

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

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

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RECORD OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS

2014

SEPTEMBER 2014

14/00991/AS The Old Stables, Duck Lane, Shadoxhurst, Ashford, TN26 1LT
Change of use of stables to C1 including erection single storey building
Parish Council: Support

Decision notices received from ABC

14/00254/AS Shadoxhurst Garage, Woodchurch road, Shadoxhurst, Ashford, Kent
Erection of 17 new dwellings together with roads, access, sewers and external works
Borough Council: Permit