

THE PARISH COUNCIL OF HARTLEY

8th January 2008

Dear Councillor

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the Hartley Parish Council to be held at the Pavilion, Manor Field on **MONDAY 14th JANUARY 2008** commencing at 8.00p.m. The business to be transacted at the meeting is:

Yours sincerely

Julie Hoad
Proper Officer

To assist in the speedy and efficient despatch of business, Members wishing to obtain factual information on items included on the Agenda are asked to contact the Clerk prior to the day of the meeting.

AGENDA

1. Apologies

To receive and approve, if necessary, any apologies for absence.

2. Declaration of Interests

To receive Members' declaration of interests.

3. Register of Interests

To update the Register of Interest, if necessary. Members are reminded they are required to update the Register of Interests within 28 days of their interest changing.

4. Minutes

(WHITE)

To approve, as a correct record, the minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 10th December 2007. (Annexed).

The meeting will be adjourned to receive any reports from the County Councillor and District Councillors.

Public Question Time

5. Amenities and Open Spaces Committee

(GREEN)

To adopt the minutes of the meeting of the Amenities and Open Spaces Committee held on 18th December 2007 and to consider any recommendations contained therein. (Annexed).

6. Planning Committee (YELLOW)

To adopt the minutes of the meetings of the Planning Committee held on 19th December 2007 (annexed) and 9th January 2008 (to follow) and to consider any recommendations contained therein.

7. Hartley WI Hall

To receive a verbal progress report on discussions with the Hartley WI on the transfer of ownership of the WI Hall to the Parish Council.

A copy of the building inspection report on the Hartley WI Hall will be circulated to Members under separate cover.

8. Sevenoaks District Open Space Study: Parish/Town Council Consultation (PINK)

In October 2007 the Clerk and the Chairman of the Burial Grounds and Gardens of Remembrance Committee attended a workshop to discuss the initial findings of the District Wide Open Space Study, which is being prepared by consultants and will inform future planning policies contained in the Local Development Framework. At the time the Parish Council criticised the accuracy of the study.

Sevenoaks District Council is inviting Parish and Town Councils to comment on the second consultation exercise and a copy of the letter dated 20th December 2007, including the Open Space Study Workshop Notes (9th/10th October) and Open Space Typology Definition (in accordance with the Planning Policy Guidance Note 17 annex) are attached for Members attention.

It is recommended that the Clerk, in consultation with the Chairmen of the Amenities and Open Spaces Committee, Burial Grounds and Gardens of Remembrance Committee and the Planning Committee, be authorised to return the information and to comment on the consultation document as requested by Sevenoaks District Council in its letter of 20th December 2007.

9. KAPC (WHITE)

To receive and note the Parish News issue no 329. (Annexed).

10. Payments (BLUE)

To approve the payment of the accounts for January 2008. (Annexed).

Under the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960, it may be necessary to exclude the public from the meeting during consideration of agenda item 11

, in respect of the new Burial Ground on the grounds that the likely disclosure of exempt information will prejudice the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

11. New Burial Ground (CREAM)

At the last meeting of the Council it was resolved that

“the Council seeks Counsel's opinion on the whole issue arising from the restrictive covenants, their possible variation or discharge and on the practicalities of dealing with

the Lands Tribunal and that this be exercised by the Clerk, in consultation with the Chairman of the Council, if indemnity insurance is found not to be viable.”

The Council is requested to consider a letter dated 12th December 2007 from Messrs H F & J H Glover.

The Council is requested to consider advice received from the Council’s insurers and in light of this advice confirm that Counsel’s opinion be sought as agreed at the last meeting.

List of circulated documents

1. Minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 10th December 2007 **(WHITE)**
2. Minutes of the meeting of the Amenities and Open Spaces Committee held on 18th December 2007 **(GREEN)**
3. Minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on 19th December 2007 **(YELLOW)**
4. Letter dated 20th December 2007 from Sevenoaks District Council **(PINK)**
5. Parish News 329 **(WHITE)**
6. Letter dated 12th December 2007 from Messrs H F & J H Glover **(CREAM)**
7. E mail dated 20th December 2007 from the Council’s insurers, Allianz. **(CREAM)**