

THE PARISH COUNCIL OF HARTLEY

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN

THE PAVILION, MANOR FIELD, CHURCH ROAD,

ON MONDAY 11th FEBRUARY 2008 AT 8.00 P.M.

Present : Cllr Mr C Alford
Cllr Mr A Barnett
Cllr Mrs J Burns
Cllr Mrs P Cole
Cllr Mr J Gaywood (Chairman)
Cllr Mr D Graeme
Cllr Mr M Harris
Cllr Mr J Minns
Cllr Mr B Ramsay

In attendance: Mrs J Hoad (Clerk)
Cllr Mr D Brazier (Local Member, Kent County Council)
6 members of the public

1. Apologies

Apologies for absence had been received from Cllr Mr L Abraham due to family commitments, Cllr Mr S Granger due to family commitments, Cllr Mrs A Oxtoby due to her Community Governor duties and Cllr Mr V Sewell due to illness.

RESOLVED: That, the absences of Cllrs Mr L Abraham, Mr S Granger, Mrs A Oxtoby and Mr V Sewell be approved.

2. Declarations of Interest

Cllr Mr M Harris declared a personal interest under minute item 5 in respect of the Scouts monthly waste collection as contained in the minutes of the meeting of the Amenities and Open Spaces Committee held on 5th February 2008, (page 4, item 12(b)), due to his membership of the Scout Group.

Cllr Mr J Minns declared a personal interest under minute item 9 in respect of the planning decision SE/07/03554/FUL, Tamarinda, Woodland Avenue as contained in the minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on 30th January 2008, (page 2, item 5), as he lived to the rear of the application site.

3. Register of Interest

Members were reminded of the duty to update the Register of Interest within 28 days of their interest changing.

4. Minutes

RESOLVED: That, the minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 14th January 2008 be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

The meeting was adjourned at 8.02 p.m. to receive reports from the County Councillor and District Councillors and to take questions from members of the public.

The meeting resumed at 8.15 p.m.

5. Amenities and Open Spaces Committee

RESOLVED: That, the minutes of the meeting of the Amenities and Open Spaces Committee held on 5th February 2008 and the recommendations contained therein be received and, where necessary, approved and adopted.

6. Burial Grounds and Gardens of Remembrance Committee

RESOLVED: That, the minutes of the meeting of the Burial Grounds and Gardens of Remembrance Committee held on 29th January 2008 and the recommendations contained therein be received and, where necessary, approved and adopted.

7. Communications Committee

RESOLVED: That, the minutes of the meeting of the Communications Committee held on 28th January 2008 be received and adopted.

8. Highways Committee

Cllr Mr M Harris proposed and Cllr Mr B Ramsay seconded an amendment to the recommendation in respect of the parking at Cherry Trees, as contained in the minutes of the meeting of the Highways Committee held on 24th January 2008, (page 2, minute item 5 (b)), to insert the words, "upto a cost of £100", after the words, "... at the rear of Cherry Tree shops". The amendment was APPROVED.

RESOLVED: That, the minutes of the meetings of the Highways Committee held on 24th January 2008 and the recommendations contained therein and as amended, were received and, where necessary, approved and adopted.

9. Planning Committee

RESOLVED: That, the minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on 30th January 2008 and the recommendation contained therein were received and, where necessary, approved and adopted.

10. Northfield Management Committee

The Council noted that the Northfield Management Committee had at its meeting held on 25th January 2008 agreed to the provision of temporary junior football pitch on the area of Northfield known as the "Play Area", which was contrary to a decision taken by Hartley Parish Council at its meeting held on 15th October 2007 not to place football pitches on Northfield as there was insufficient evidence to prove a local need within the area. It was reported that the New Ash Green Village Association Ltd had been informed of this situation and advised that, at this stage, permission could not be given to the New Ash Green Junior Football Club to layout a junior football pitch.

Despite this, the Council was advised that a football pitch had been marked out and football post sockets installed on the aforementioned area of land and that a letter had been sent to the New Ash Green Junior Football Club from the Secretary of the Northfield Management Committee informing them that consent had not been given for the provision of a junior football pitch and that such action contravened the current planning permission.

The Council was disappointed with the action taken by a third party to establish a junior football pitch on Northfield, which could lead to enforcement action being taken against the Parish Councils by the Planning Authority. Furthermore the Council expressed concern that there appeared to be no means available to the Parish Councils to resolve any issues of conflict affecting Northfield and considered that this matter should be addressed.

RESOLVED: That,

- (1) the minutes of the meeting of the Northfield Management Committee held on 25th January 2008 be received and noted and,
- (2) the Special Projects Committee be asked to investigate the means by which the two Parish Councils of Ash-cum-Ridley and Hartley could resolve any issues of conflict affecting Northfield, and that such investigations should include discussions with Ash-cum-Ridley Parish Council, and to report back the findings of those investigations and discussions.

11. Hartley Parish Plan Steering Committee

RESOLVED: That, the minutes of the meeting of the Hartley Parish Plan Steering Committee held on 4th December 2007 be received and noted.

12. Payments

RESOLVED: That, the payment of the accounts for February 2008, attached as appendix 1 to these minutes, be approved.

13. Special Projects Committee

RESOLVED: That, the minutes of the meeting of the Special Projects Committee held on 6th February 2008 and the recommendations contained therein be received and, where necessary, approved and adopted.

The meeting closed at 9.00 p.m.

Signed:.....

Date:

Chairman of the Council

Schedule of Payments February 2008

Chq No	Payment to	Particulars	Net	VAT	Total
104520	J Hoad				
		Salary 01/02/08 - 29/02/08 (prev approved)	1,547.98	-	1,547.98
104521	H Gilder				
		Salary 01/02/08 - 29/02/08 (prev approved)	763.64	-	763.64
104522	HM Revenue & Customs				
		Month 11	836.09	-	836.09
104523	Kent County Council				
		Employers & Employees pension contributions February 2008	421.42	-	421.42
104524	D Cunningham				
		Clean Pavilion & water temperature checks and de-scaling February 2008	100.00	-	100.00
104525	Kent County Council (KCS)				
		Stationery inv S2379923	7.10	1.24	-
		Stationery inv S2389751	7.64	1.34	-
		Stationery inv S2391041	4.65	0.81	-
		Stationery inv S2397580	66.30	11.60	<u>100.68</u>
104526	Calor Gas Limited				
		Standing charge inv 17062624	18.33	0.92	-
		Emergency call out re regulator- replaced inv 17164122	94.03	16.46	<u>129.74</u>
104527	Sevenoaks District Council				
		40 rolls of recycling sacks inv 2017672	20.00	-	20.00
104528	Mr Glidewell				
		Supply & fit sign at Rectory Meadow inv 72	185.00	-	185.00
104529	Community Scheme Solutions Ltd				
		Payment for 6 football coaching sessions @ £9 per session inv 00580/22	540.00	94.50	634.50
104530	BT Payment Services Ltd				
		Internet services 1 Jan 08 - 31 Mar 08	89.97	15.74	105.71
104531	Sevenoaks District Council				
		2000 gallons taken from Pavilion cesspool on 15/01/08 inv 72484	120.00	-	120.00
104532	Cash				
		To reimburse petty cash 21/01/08 18 x 1st class stamps 23/07	6.12	-	-
		21/01/08 postage to Australia re BG 24/07	0.78	-	-
		23/01/08 100 x 1st class stamps 25/07	34.00	-	-
		24/01/08 Special Delivery - Rectory Meadow	4.75	-	-

		Byelaws Defra 26/07			
		29/01/08 100 x 2nd class stamps 27/07	24.00	-	<u>69.65</u>
104533	Kent County Council (KCS)	Inspection & testing of portable electrical appliances inv AS061805	41.25	7.22	48.47
104534	Claridge Consultancy Ltd	Provision of name registration and hosting for 1 year inv 378	175.00	30.63	205.63
104535	T D Munday	Litter pick @ Manor Field inv 100	56.00	-	-
		Football pitch line marking & goal post check inv 100	62.00	-	-
		Inspect playground equipment inv 100	240.00	-	-
		Rectory Meadow - litter pick inv 100	60.00	-	-
		Hartley greens - litter pick inv 100	32.00	-	-
		Pond - litter pick inv 100	20.00	-	-
		Gorse Wood - litter pick inv 100	60.00	-	<u>530.00</u>
104536	T D Munday	Garden maintenance at Burial Ground inv 99	120.00	-	-
		Burial Ground visual inspection inv 01	18.50	-	-
		Remove and replace 5 fence panels at Burial Ground inv 02	240.00	-	-
		Replace bolts on noticeboard at Longfield Hill inv 03	23.00	-	<u>401.50</u>
104537	Post Office Limited	200 x 2nd class stamps re March newsletter	48.00	-	-
		100 x 1st class stamps	34.00	-	<u>82.00</u>
104538	Craigdene Ltd	To carry out operational inspections of playgrounds inv 07/375	150.00	26.25	176.25
		TOTAL	<hr/>		
			6,271.55	206.71	6,478.26

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8.02 p.m. to receive reports from the District Councillors and to take questions from members of the public.

The County Councillor reported on the recent budget setting process at Kent County Council which would result in a 3.9 % increase on the County Council's element of the Council Tax.

Cllr Mr B Ramsay reported on the ongoing budget setting process at Sevenoaks District Council.

Cllr Mrs Burns asked how much Kent TV was costing. It was confirmed the service cost £800,000.

Dr Cramp confirmed the parking around Cherry Trees continued to be a problem.

Mr Mayer asked the Council to confirm whether it would benefit from a potential development windfall following the transfer of ownership of the Hartley WI hall to the Parish Council.

The meeting resumed at 8.15 p.m.

