

THE PARISH COUNCIL OF HARTLEY
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN
THE PAVILION, MANOR FIELD, CHURCH ROAD,
ON MONDAY 12th JANUARY 2009 AT 8.00 P.M.

Present : Cllr Mr L Abraham
Cllr Mr A Barnett
Cllr Mrs J Burns
Cllr Mrs P Cole
Cllr Mr J Gaywood (Chairman)
Cllr Mr D Graeme
Cllr Mr S Granger
Cllr Mr M Harris
Cllr Mr J Minns
Cllr Mrs A Oxtoby
Cllr Mr B Ramsay
Cllr Mr V Sewell

In attendance: Mrs J Hoad (Clerk)
Cllr Mr D Brazier – County Councillor
PCSO C Maycock
PCSO P Hylands
5 members of the public

1. Apologies

Apologies for absence had been received from Cllr Mr C Alford due to family commitments,.

RESOLVED: That, the absence of Cllr Mr C Alford be approved.

2. Declarations of Interest

Cllr Mrs A Oxtoby declared a personal interest under minute item 10 in respect of the authorisation of the monthly accounts as she was a recipient of one of the payments.

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 8th December 2008 be approved and signed by the Presiding Chairman as a correct record.

The meeting was adjourned at 8.04 p.m. to receive reports from the newly appointed PCSO, the County Councillor and the District Councillors and to take questions from members of the public.

The meeting resumed at 8.15 p.m.

5. Finance & General Purposes Committee

RESOLVED: That, the minutes of the meeting of the Finance & General Purposes Spaces Committee held on 15th December 2008 and the recommendations contained therein be received and, where necessary, approved and adopted.

6. Highways Committee

RESOLVED: That, the minutes of the meeting of the Highways Committee held on 11th December 2008 be received and adopted.

7. Planning Committee

RESOLVED: That, the minutes of the meetings of the Planning Committee held on 17th December 2008 and 7th January 2009 be received and adopted.

8. Hartley Parish Plan Steering Committee

No minutes were available.

9. KALC

RESOLVED: That the Parish New issue no 336 be received and noted.

10. Payments

RESOLVED: That,

(1) the payment of the accounts for January 2009, attached as appendix 1 to these minutes, be approved and,

(2) the summary of receipts and payments as at 6th January 2009 be received and noted.

11. Exclusion of the public

RESOLVED: That, under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 the public be excluded from the meeting on the grounds during consideration of minute item 12 in respect of the new Burial Ground on the grounds that the likely disclosure of exempt information would prejudice the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

The public left the meeting.

12. New Burial Ground

The Council considered a report on progress to establish a new Burial Ground at Manor Field and advice received from the Council's legal advisor.

The Council was reminded that Messrs H F & J H Glover had previously agreed to effect, by deed, a modification of the covenants and extension to the right of access at Manor Field for burial purposes, subject to the agreement of a number of terms including the payment of an initial consideration plus an annual payment index linked upward only to reflect the ongoing use of the burial ground. It was reported that Messrs H F & J H Glover were not willing to provide the Council with more specific information on what sums would be acceptable.

RESOLVED: That,

(1) advice be sought from the District Valuer in respect of a valuation for (a) modification of the covenants and extension to the right of access for burial purposes at Manor Field and (b) compulsory purchase to acquire an extended right of way and,

- (2) Messrs H F & J H Glover be offered a one-off payment of £100 to modify the covenants and extend right of access for burial purposes at Manor Field.

The meeting closed at 9.04 p.m.

Signed:.....

Date:

Chairman of the Council

Schedule of Payments January 2009

Chq No	Payment to	Particulars	Net	VAT	Total
104778	J Hoad	Salary 01/01/09 - 31/01/09 (prev approved)	1,641.82	-	1,641.82
104779	H Gilder	Salary 01/01/09 - 31/01/09 (prev approved)	836.21	-	836.21
104780	H M Revenue & Customs	Month 10 Employer & Employee NIC & PAYE	892.71	-	892.71
104781	Kent County Council	Employer & Employees pension contributions January 2009	492.57	-	492.57
104782	Mr D Cunningham	Clean Pavilion & water temperature checks and de-scaling January 2009	100.00	-	100.00
104783	Sevenoaks District Council	2 bundles of blue trade waste sacks	82.00	12.30	-
		80 rolls recycling sacks inv 2019892	40.00	-	<u>134.30</u>
104784	Mrs T M Oakes	Refund of overpaid fees re interment of the late B Baxter 18/09/08 (after the deduction of £45 fee re the approval of an additional inscription to the memorial).	65.00	-	65.00
104785	Mrs A Oxtoby	Travelling expenses 05/12/08 re LDF Information session @ Sevenoaks Community Centre.	16.14	-	16.14
104786	Information Commissioner	Renewal of entry	35.00	-	35.00
104787	Wicksteed Leisure	Repairs to safety surface at Longfield Hill recreation ground inv 83442	431.00	64.65	495.65
104788	J B Westwood	Application of fertiliser to Manor Field July 2008	170.00	29.75	-
		Removal of elder & sycamore trees at Manor Field inc filling & clearing. Inv 2877	200.00	30.00	<u>429.75</u>
104789	Kent County Council (KCS)	Stationery inv IN102941	1.58	0.24	-
		Stationery inv INV115487	8.91	1.34	-
		Stationery inv IN120076	9.60	1.44	<u>23.11</u>
104790	EDF Energy Customers PLC	Electricity used 26/09/08 - 18/12/08 at the Pavilion	168.11	8.41	176.52
104791	Cash	To reimburse petty cash - 28/08 10/12/08 purchase of 100 x 2nd class stamps	27.00	-	27.00
104792	Post Office Ltd	100 x 1st class stamps	36.00	-	-
		100 x 2nd class stamps	27.00	-	<u>63.00</u>
104793	T D Munday	Cut back & dispose of brambles & weeds in allotments inv 86	120.00	-	-
		Fix chestnut paling fence to infill boundary at allotments inv 86	25.00	-	-

	Burial Ground visual inspection Dec 08 inv 85	18.50	-	-
	Repair fence at car park - Porchester Close inv 87	35.00	-	-
	Garden maintenance at Burial Ground December inv 83	120.00	-	318.50
104794	T D Munday			
	Litter pick @ Manor Field inv 84	70.00	-	-
	Football pitch line marking & goal post check inv 84	31.00	-	-
	Inspect playground equipment inv 84	192.00	-	-
	Rectory Meadow litter pick inv 84	48.00	-	-
	Hartley greens litter pick inv 84	32.00	-	-
	Pond litter pick inv 84	25.00	-	-
	Gorse Wood litter pick inv 84	48.00	-	<u>46.00</u>
104795	Sevenoaks District Council			
	Dog bin emptying October - December 08 inv 2019911	336.70	50.51	387.21
104796	NALC			
	Stepping Stones conference 10/03/09	64.00	9.60	73.60
104797	South Eastern Plumbers			
	Supply & installation of 14 self closing taps @ Pavilion.	567.00	85.05	-
	Annual Service on 2 boilers @ Pavilion	240.00	36.00	<u>928.05</u>
	TOTAL			
		<u>7,252.85</u>	<u>329.29</u>	<u>7,582.14</u>

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8.04 p.m. to receive reports from the PCSO, County Councillor and District Councillors and to take questions from members of the public.

The new PCSO for Ash, Hartley and Hodsoll Street, Peter Hylands, introduced himself.

The County Councillor announced a proposed council tax increase of 2.85%. He reported an additional £66 m would be put into the budget and confirmed Kent County Council's commitment to protect and improve front-line services. Additional funding had been allocated to the protection of vulnerable young people, adult social care and additional funding of £15.9 m for highway maintenance. The Freedom Pass in Sevenoaks area would become operational in June 2009. The net increase in government grant would be £5.1 m.

The County Councillor explained a proposal to make available upto £25,000 to each elected member on local highway schemes. This would particularly benefit low priority highway schemes.

Cllr Abraham announced the consultation process for the Core Strategy would commence at the end of January 2009.

Dr Cramp asked whether comments submitted by the Hartley Parish Plan Steering Committee in respect of the previous consultation on the Core Strategy had been taken into account in the current consultation document. It was confirmed this document included reference to the northern parishes.

The meeting resumed at 8.15 p.m.