

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held at Weaving Village Hall, Weaving Street, Grove Green on Monday 5th March 2012 commencing at 7.30 pm.

Councillors present – Mrs P Brooks (Chairman),, Mr I Davies, Mr V Davies, , Mr B Hinder, Mrs W Hinder, Mrs K Macklin, Mr K Perry, Mr G Smith, Mrs A Spain, Mr A Springate, Mr P Sullivan, and Mrs M Waller together with the Assistant Clerk, PCSO Hawthorn (left after item 5), 1 member of the public and 2 member of the press.

1. Apologies and absences.

Mr M Pepper (holiday) Mr T Harwood (work commitments) Mr W Stead (MBC meeting).

2. Declaration of Interests or Lobbying.

None declared.

3. Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on 23rd January 2012.

The minutes of the meeting were **agreed** and **signed** as a true record.

4 Matters Arising From Minutes.

- 4.1 Minute 2375/4.1 concurrent functions. **Noted** no further information was available at the meeting and this will return to the April agenda.
- 4.2 Minute 2375/4.2 Parking, Grove Green, **Noted** still awaiting Cllr Peppers' report on contact with Mr Miles.
- 4.3 Minute 2375/5 Bikes on Pilgrims Way. Members welcomed and Noted the report on conflicting signage. Cllr Perry hoped this would be rectified promptly.
- 4.4 Minute 2375/6 Round Wood. Issue will be debated at April 2012 meeting. **Noted**.
- 4.5 Minute 2376/9 Vision and Business plan. Members **noted** this will be returned to the April meeting for consideration.
- 4.6 Minute 2376/10.1 Annual meeting of the Parish. This is being organised by the Clerk and Cllr Pepper. **Noted**. Cllr Smith **requested** for Cobtree Manor to be represented if outside organisations were invited to attend.
- 4.7 Minute 2376/10.2 School crossing dedication is being organised by the Clerk and Cllr Pepper. **Noted**.
- 4.8 Minute 2376/10.3 Energy. Members **noted** the response from Hugh Robertson. Members also **noted** the resurrection of the Parish Council carbon footprint document which will be submitted to the April meeting. Cllr Smith requested that this is reviewed annually through the correct committee.
- 4.9 Minute 2377/11 Locality Boards. Members **noted** the explanation for the recent Locality board meetings.
- 4.10 KIMS development Members **noted** the Clerk's update on development at this site and **agreed** that very little had taken place so far.
- 4.11 Trees, Cobtree Country Park. It was noted the Councils' trees had been planted and a plaque had been installed. Cllr Smith has **agreed** to visit the site and report back at the next meeting.

5 Report from the PCSO and Police Issues.

Noted and **received** the crime statistics. Clarification was sought on the PCSO issue at Bredhurst as it is believed that PCSO Hawthorn is to cover the area until further notice. PCSO Hawthorn was unaware of this. It was suggested that the funding the Parish Council gives towards the PCSO is withdrawn, however it was agreed to wait until a response has been received. Action the **Parish Office** to write to Kent Police for clarification.

It had been reported that the white lines at Orbit Close had been repainted. PCSO Hawthorn was asked if he had any information on the bad accident that happened along Lidsing Road by The Harrow Public House, as he had been on leave he did not have any information but **agreed** to pursue it. A discussion ensued regarding crash records and speed limits along this stretch of road. It was **agreed** that this should be placed on the next environment agenda. PCSO Hawthorn has **agreed** to set up a speed device along this stretch of road and will confirm dates with the Parish Office.

6. **Draft Minutes of Meetings since Previous Parish Council Meetings.**

Received and **noted** the draft minutes of

6.1 Environment meeting 6th February 2012.

6.2 Estates Committee 14th February 2012.

7. **Finance**

7.1 **Noted** payments made out of meeting 24.01.12 – 27.02.12. Appendix A.

7.2 **Noted** receipts for the period 17.01.12 – 27.02.12. Appendix B.

7.3 **Noted** account balances as at 27.02.12. Appendix C.

7.4 **Authorised** payment of accounts. Appendix D.

8. **Matters for Decision.**

8.1 Members unanimously agreed to adopt the £10,000 community project scheme draft document, with Cllr Brooks as the proposer and Cllr W Hinder as seconder.

9. **Reports from Borough and County Councillors.**

Received the written report from County Councillor Carter.

Cllr W. Hinder informed members that cars parked on the verges within the parish have moved since she reported them. She also confirmed that she attended the informal opening of the Controlled Crossing at St John's School with Cllr V Davies.

10. **Weaving Diamond Jubilee Orchard**

Members **noted** the update that work was in progress for quotes for playground equipment, interpretation boards and information inserts. **Action** – the Parish office to confirm the official date for the opening ceremony and it was suggested that 2nd June be avoided. Cllr I Davies sought clarification on whether the financial regulations were being followed with regards to the quotes for play equipment. **Action** the parish office.

11. **Policies and Procedures Review.**

11.1 Proposed from the Chair, seconded by Cllr Macklin, Members unanimously agreed to change the title Equal Opportunities statement to Equality Statement to reflect the legislation it relates to.

11.2 Members **received** and **noted** the Replacement procedure for projects not managed by the parish office.

12. **Reports from councillors/office.**

12.1 Controlled Crossing Point. St John's School. Members **received** Cllr V Davies report.

12.2 MBC Core Strategy Post Consultation Conference. Members **agreed** to view Cllr I Davies report on the Environment Agenda for 12th March.

12.3 Parish Liaison Meeting 5th March – As Cllr Stead was not present it was **agreed** to defer this to the April meeting.

12.4 Friends of Boxley Warren, inaugural meeting 28th February – **received and noted** Cllr Smith's report.

13. **Matters for Information.**

13.1 KWT newsletter Feb 2012. .

13.2 Police Country Eye newsletter (e-mail 03/02/12).

13.3 ACRK annual report and other information.

13.4 Parish Council Elections

13.5 Temporary Closure of Tovil Green Household Waste Recycling Centre.

14. **Next Meeting.**

Monday 2nd April 2012 at Tyland Barn, Sandling at 7:30 p.m.

Meeting closed at 8.22 p.m.

Signed as a correct record of the proceedings.

Chairman.....Date.....