

Minutes of the meeting of Borough Green Parish Council held at 7.30p.m. on Monday 7 March 2005 at Potters Mede

Present: Cllr Mrs S Murray (Chairman), Cllrs. J Bailey, Mrs J Barrow (7.50pm), J Broad, B Hughes, Mrs J Lucas (7.50pm), J Phillips, C Willsher
Apologies: Cllr Mrs B Woodhams, T&MB Cllrs D Evans & Mrs J Harrison

There were six members of the public in attendance

Cllr Mrs Murray declared an interest in all planning applications and advised that she would not take part in any related discussions.

154. **Minutes** of the meeting 7 February 2005 were signed as a true record.

155. **Matters Arising**

144. Despite continued correspondence with Kent Highways the street light o/s 1 High Street is still not operating. A letter will be sent to KCC.

145. SE England Regional Assembly: Cllr Willsher reported on a recent meeting. Notes will be circulated to all members. Chairman gave further information.

147. Agreed that Cllrs Broad and Hughes will be in attendance at Parish Office 10-12noon Saturday 2 April 2005.

149. Proposed footpath link Fairfield Rd/Station Approach: Chairman reported on her meeting with T&MBC. Legal advice is being sought.

JB/BH

156. **Planning Matters**

Cllr Hughes took the chair.

Pre-Meeting

TM/85/1436 & TM/87/1851 Proposed working & restoration of southern unworked section and extension of extraction & infilling until 30/6/06 - Ightham Sandpit. No observations.

TM/04/3697 Side extension - Unit 1 Bourne Industrial Estate. No observations.

TM/04/4026 Extensions & demolition of garage - 31 Annetts Hall. No observations.

TM/05/0264 6no houses adj Red Lion PH, Sevenoaks Road. Objections: 1. Resident parking may present problems for on-site traffic. 2. Query smaller width of one garage. 3. Manager's parking space is poorly-sighted and too narrow. 4. Mini roundabout not considered appropriate for location.

Planning decisions

TM/04/3930 Redevelopment - 24/28 Western Road. Permission granted.

Cllr Mrs Murray resumed the chair.

157. **Oral reports from Members and Clerk**

(a) **Correspondence received and noted:**

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| Highways Agency | SE roadworks & traffic information Feb-April 2005 |
| Community Liaison | T&M Local Board meeting 9 March 2005 |
| KCC | Pension scheme changes + discussion meeting (Clerk will attend) |
| S LCC | Corporate Governance conference 12/13 May 2005 |
| T&MBC | Joint Transportation Board agenda 7/3/05 (Copy to Cllr Willsher) |
| KCC | Kent & Medway Structure Plan: panel report |
| KCPFA | Newsletter winter 2004/05 |
| T&MBC | Easter activities 8-16 yr olds |
| NHS Trust | Consultation on orthopaedic services + offer to address PC |
| MVCP | Plaxtol ramble 13 March 2005 |
| CPRE | SE Plan meeting 30 March 2005 |
| Age Concern Malling | Thanks for donation + information leaflets |
| T&MBC | Healthy Walking guide 2005 (copies to all Cllrs) |
| KCC | Proposed weekend working March 2005 – Stangate West Landfill |
| Rural Comm. Council | Community Funding meeting 16 March 2005. |
| Wrotham PC | Response to Celcon application + letter to press from Cllr D Evans |
| Ightham PC | Response to Celcon application |
| Office of Lord Lieut. Kent | Civic service, Canterbury 29 April 2005 |
| Standards Board | Code of Conduct: review (copies to all Cllrs) |
| T&MBC | PPP agenda 10 March 2005 (copies to Cllrs Hughes & Willsher) |
| Kent Rural Towns | Launch of SEEDA Kent Small Rural Towns programme 14 March |
| KCC (Y&C) | Try Angle Award Scheme 10-13 years |

Correspondence (Continued)

Age Concern Malling AGM 16 March 2005: Cllr Phillips will represent the Parish Council.
Office of Deputy PM Discussion documents passed for circulation:

- citizen engagement & public services: why neighbourhoods matter
- vibrant local leadership

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(b) Oral reports

Cllr Willsher advised of his letter to KCC regarding the delay of the bypass.
There is ongoing concern about the lack of reinstatement of boundary fencing to Southern Water site, Maidstone Road.
Cllr Phillips reported on his attendance at the New Legislation Information Day.
Concern about parking of delivery vans in High Street and close to junction with A227 will be discussed with the Police. General concerns about safety at this location will again be referred to Kent Highways.
Agreed that Cllr Mrs Barrow will represent the Parish Council on 'The Joint' committee until May 2005.
Chairman reported on the proposed burial ground.
The 'Hands On Arts' project recently held at The Joint was noted. There was some discussion about a mosaic that had been made.

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There then followed the period for public consultation.
Further concerns were raised about proposed development adj. Red Lion, Sevenoaks Rd.
Additional comments regarding 1. existing accesses to properties close to this site and not shown on the drawings 2. Proposed pedestrian crossing near this location, will be passed to T&MBC.

158. **Vacancy BGPC**

Three applications for co-option have been received. Cllr Willsher proposed that Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Clerk interview applicants. Seconded by Cllr Broad. Agreed.

SM/BH

159. **Vital Villages**

Agreed that Cllrs will meet in the Parish Office 8pm 8 March 2005 to prepare the Action Plan.
Further agreed that Cllrs will deliver the published summary action plan to all premises in Borough Green, all as before. Chairman's report will be circulated at the same time.

All Cllrs
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A quotation for supply & maintenance of baskets was received from How Green Nursery Ltd in the sum of £2653.50 + VAT (£82.92/basket). Cllr Mrs Lucas proposed that this be accepted, seconded by Cllr Mrs Barrow. Agreed.

161. **Skate Park**

Cllr Hughes reported: Amended draft lease has been received. Comments awaited from Wrotham and Platt representatives.

162. **Youth Provision**

Chairman proposed that this be discussed under item 165 of the agenda. Agreed.

163. **Recreation Grounds**

Potters Mede pavilion: Tenders for a structural survey were received from Richard Tucker and Thomas & Cavalli. Cllr Hughes proposed that the tender from Richard Tucker be accepted in the sum of £600 + VAT, seconded by Cllr Broad. Agreed. Additional quotations for inspection of foundations, drainage and water installations will be requested.

Summer Fair: A request to hold a summer fair at the Recreation Ground 5 June 2005 was received from the Chamber of Commerce Christmas Lighting Committee. Chairman proposed that this be accepted. Agreed.

Cricket square maintenance: Clerk advised of KCC recommendations for spring/summer mowing and autumn maintenance of cricket square. Noted.

164. **Cheques for Signature****Auto-Pay**

£801.15 R Springett - Asst. Groundsman 1/2 - 28/2/05
£856.35 H Damiral - Clerk February 2005
£595.73 W Austin - Caretaker/Groundsman 1/2 - 28/2/05
£349.96 Seeboard - Supply Potters Mede

Cheques for Signature (Continued)**Auto-Pay (Continued)**

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| £151.58 | KCC - Parish office furniture (part payment) |
| £180.32 | MKWCo - Supply, Potters Mede |
| £60.00 | J Stephens - Websites maintenance January 2005 |
| £204.64 | Seeboard – Street lighting maintenance March 2005 |
| £168.49 | Seeboard – Street lighting supply February 2005 |
| £91.59 | Kent Aluminium – Maintenance materials P Mede + VV exhibition expenses |
| £183.23 | Cast Trading Ltd - Photographic materials, Vital Villages Exhibition |
| £827.10 | Kidman's - Rotary Mower |
| £15.00 | CPRE - Annual subscription 2004/05 |
| £78.68 | Neat Ideas - Printer consumables |
| £540.00 | J Lawrenson - Tree surgery/hedge cutting, Recreation Ground |
| £370.13 | Sevenoaks Glazing - Replacement glazing, Potters Mede |
| £17.00 | Cast Trading - Plumbing repair, Potters Mede |
| £147.83 | EJP Fire Protection Ltd – Service fire appliances, P Mede & Rec. Ground |
| £9.11 | Cash – Postage Vital Villages document |

Proposed by Cllr Willsher, seconded by Cllr Hughes that the above cheques be paid. Agreed.

165. **Resolved to enter in committee**

Proposed Tri-Parish Youth Group: All Cllrs had received copies of the draft constitution. Chairman reported on her meeting with Mr B Clout (Y&C Area Officer). Chairman will arrange for him to meet with parish councillors.

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