

Present: Cllr Mrs S Murray (Chairman), Cllrs. C Brinkley-Willsher, A Dolton,  
Mrs J Lucas, J McWilliam, M Taylor, Mrs B Woodhams  
Apologies: Cllrs D Evans, J Evans, B Hughes, C.Cllr. Mrs Dagger.  
There were no members of the public in attendance  
There were no declarations of interest.

Action

109. **Minutes** of the meeting 2 December 2002 were signed as a true record.

110. **Matters Arising**

94.81.75 Bowls Club lighting - Cllr Brinkley-Willsher has prepared a notice for 'The Voice'.  
Minor addition agreed. He will arrange for publication.  
Public Consultation Borough Green House development - An e-mail from T&MBC was read.  
Agreed that there are still concerns about conditions along the footpath, footway Staleys Acre,  
boundary hedging to play area and traffic and highway conditions j/o Rock Road/Quarry Hill  
Road.  
97 Noted that the traffic survey was carried out on 29<sup>th</sup> or 30<sup>th</sup> November 2002.

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111. **Planning Matters**

TM/02/2244 Acoustic assessment – Residential development Red Lion PH, Sevenoaks Road. Concern  
that assessment was not carried out during a peak time.  
TM/02/3518 Extension – 100 Sevenoaks Rd. No objections.  
TM/02/3567 Details of archaeological work – Replacement dwelling, 1 Crow Hill Road. No objections  
but copy of the report requested plus further copies for schools if any items of interest are found . Query  
ultimate destination of any such objects.

**Planning decisions**

TM/02/2863 Extension of extraction area – Ightham Sandpits. Permission granted,  
conditions noted. Extreme concern about stability of gardens surrounding the two cottages  
and safety of residents will be referred to KCC and T&MBC.  
TM/02/3111 Extension – 5 Quarry Hill Rd. Permission granted.

Chairman proposed that item 177 of the agenda be considered next. Agreed.

117. **Skateboard Park**

Two letters from residents were read and noted. Cllr Taylor advised that he is discussing this  
project with Wrotham Parish Council and Woodlands Residents' Assn. He will continue to  
liaise.

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112. **Correspondence**

**Noted:**

KCC - Superannuation Fund report and accounts 2002 + part timers' pension rights  
Govt Office for the SE - Orbit Transport Solutions Around London - consultant's  
recommended strategy  
CPRE - December newsletter  
SERPA - Newsletters, AGM and request for financial contribution  
KCC - Response to Regional Airport Study  
KAPC - Newsletter (Copy to Cllr Brinkley-Willsher)  
South East in Bloom - 2003 campaign  
T&MBC - Minutes of WPPC meeting 25 Nov. 2002 (Copies to Cllrs Brinkley-Willsher, Hughes  
& McWilliam)  
KAPC - Planning information day - 15 March 2003  
Kent Downs Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty meeting. Passed to BMPOS ctte.  
Medway Valley Countryside Partnership - Grants available to improve the countryside in Kent  
Downs AONB. Passed to BMPOS ctte.  
KRCC - Newsletters. Community Halls newsletter will be passed to BGVHMC.  
RAISE - newsletter.  
Countryside Agency - Vital villages Update. Passed to Cllr McWilliam.

KRCC - Seminars - 'Working with young people in rural areas'. Cllr Taylor will attend.  
- 'Community strategies & Parish Plans'. Chairman & Cllr  
McWilliam/consultant will attend.

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- 113. Borough Green & Platt Bypass/Traffic Matters**  
Improvement works to the A227 are due to commence. Chairman reported on her discussions and correspondence with T&MBC re. A227/Station Approach junction. Additional works will be carried out to make this junction safer.  
Chairman advised of a report from T&MBC that central government directives will prevent implementation of the Parish Council's plan to install speed restriction signs on the A25. However, T&MBC has requested that this be considered on a local basis.
- 114. Dates of Future Meetings**  
Friday 24 January 2003 7.30pm - Precept and Planning matters only.  
Monday 3 February 2003 7.30pm.  
Monday 3 February 2003 7.30pm RGMC. meeting followed by a Planning Meeting.  
There will not be a Planning Cttee. meeting on 27 January 2003.
- 115. 'Serving You Better' - A draft action plan for Tonbridge & Malling**  
Copies had been circulated to all members. Agreed that the Parish Council has been very aware of local problems involving young people and consequently is financially supporting the 'Drop-In'Centre.
- 116. Hanging Baskets 2003**  
A quotation from How Green Nursery was received in the sum of £80.90 per basket + VAT.  
Cllr Mrs Lucas proposed that this be accepted. Seconded by Cllr McWilliam. Agreed.  
Early/mid June installation will be requested.
- 118. Recreation Ground**  
**Pavilion:** Agreed that sports clubs will be advised of plans for the pavilion at the RGMC mtg.  
**Tennis Courts:** Noted that the Tennis Club will formally request the Parish Council to pay 50% of the cost of re-colouring the courts.
- 119. Potters Mede**  
**Hire of Pavilion:** Chairman proposed that the deposit required be raised to £100. Agreed.  
Request form hirer to erect marquee agreed. No additional charge if taken down within 24hrs but no Parish Council liability.
- 120. Committee Reports**  
**Highways, Footpaths & St.Lighting:** Seeboard street lighting agreements passed to Cllr Brinkley-Willsher.  
**BGVHMC:** No report  
**Men of Trees:** No report  
**Quarries Liaison:** Chairman reported on a recent Stangate Quarry meeting.  
**BMPOS:** Chairman will write to the Chairman of the Joint Cttee. expressing concern that silting-up of Mill Pond is having a possible effect on flooding further down the River Bourne.  
**Twinning:** No report.
- 121. Cheques for Signature**  
**Auto-Pay**  
£30.30 Kent Aluminium - Maintenance materials, P Mede/Rec.Gd/Western Rd.  
£164.87 Seeboard - Street Lighting Supply, December 2002  
£462.00 T&MBC - Rates, Potters Mede January 2002  
£599.96 R Springett – Asst. Groundsman 1/12– 31/12/02  
£815.41 H Damiral – Clerk December 2002  
£585.32 W Austin – Caretaker/Groundsman 1/12– 31/12/02  
£123.38 Landscape Services - Playground Inspections Oct - Dec. 2002  
  
£64.63 Wicksteed Leisure - Playground Inspection & Risk Assessment  
£30.50 Mrs S Murray - Quarry Liaison Expenses + plants Oak tree, Rock Road  
£21.73 Neale Dataday Ltd - Office diary  
£1907.05 Inland Revenue - PAYE/NI September-December 2002  
£12.00 KRCC - Course fees  
£18.00 KRCC - Course fee  
Proposed by Cllr McWilliam, seconded by Cllr Dolton that the above cheques be paid.  
Agreed
- 122.** There were no matters for discussion in committee.

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