

Minutes of the meeting of Borough Green Parish Council held at 7.30pm on Monday 31 July 2000 at Potters Mede.

Present: Cllr Mrs S Murray (Chairman.), Cllrs. J Evans, B Hughes, Mrs J Lucas, M Stone.

Apologies: Cllrs. Brinkley-Willsher, Dolton, D Evans, Mrs Hayman, McWilliam and Holwill.

There were 23 members of the public in attendance.

41. Minutes of the meeting 3 July 2000:  
34. delete "31 August" add "31 July". The amended minutes were signed as a true record.

42.. Matters Arising  
32. Orbit - Transport Solutions Around London. Cllr Hughes has completed and returned the questionnaire but reported that the document is not particularly relevant to Borough Green.  
36. Recreation Ground footpath: Clerk reported on advice received from the contractor. Noted that further action would not be beneficial

43. Planning Matters  
TM/85/1436 & TM/87/1851 Proposed working & restoration scheme at southern end of site plus extension of time to complete extraction and infilling to 31/12/2004 - Ightham Sandpits. Excavations must in no way delay construction of Borough Green & Platt Bypass.  
TM/87/346/R8 2no extra cement silos – Celcon Blockworks, Ightham Sandpits. No observations.

There then followed the period for public consultation. Residents raised many concerns about the planning application TM/00/MIN/K Aggregate recycling facility and inert landfilling - BG Sand Quarry. Chairman stressed that views of individuals should be sent in writing to KCC with copies to BGPC if desired. Members of the public are also encouraged to monitor any future workings at the quarry eg traffic, noise, dust etc and advise the applicant if there are any problems. Agreed that a copy of the planning documents will be placed on public display in the library.

Planning Matters (contd)

TM/00/MIN/K Aggregate recycling facility & inert landfilling – B. Green Sand Quarry. After further discussion agreed comments re. noise; dust; water contamination; pedestrian safety; site access and hours of working.

TM/00/0469 Reinstatement of Borough Green House & its associated outbuildings within application site – redevelopment land r/o Borough Green House. Chairman declared an interest and did not participate in the discussions. No observations.

TM/00/1283 Outdoor play equipment – The Black Horse, Maidstone Road. No observations.

TM/00/1312 Extension – 8 Tolsey Mead. Observation: Any necessary piling work must not cause disturbance to neighbours.

TM/00/1357 Extension – 24 Lingfield Road. Objections: Concern about terracing effect; setting a precedent; close proximity to boundary and location for refuse bin.

TM/00/1395 Outline application 1no dwelling – land adjoining 1 Annetts Hall. Objections: The plan is very misleading and that the site is not large enough to accommodate a reasonable sized bungalow; difficult access; site is known to flood. Agreed that a 'footprint' should be established before outline permission granted.

TM/00/1497 Stable block, realignment of drive & redesignation of field to paddock – Little Harps, Crouch Lane. Observation: No commercial use of site.

TM/00/1498 Replacement dwelling – 63 Crouch Lane. No observations.

TM/00/1533 Extension – 27 Lingfield Road. No observations.

Action



Planning Matters (Continued)

Decisions

TM/00/1130 Velux windows – 10 Western Road. Amendments approved.

44. Correspondence

Noted:

KCC Rural Revival Annual Report

KRCC newsletter and information.

Local Agenda 21 UK: Rural Life Conference - passed to Cllr Mrs Lucaas.

KCC Local Housing Needs document passed to Chairman.

Draft Regional Planning Guidance for the SE: T&MBC support for KALC submission.

WPPC minutes 5 July 2000: copies to Cllrs Hughes and Stone.

Govt. Office for the SE: Consultation document on Access to Hastings Multi-Modal Study.

Review of Electoral Arrangements - T&M. Chairman has written to the Commission supporting T&M proposals. Letters from T&M and Plaxtol PC noted.

KRCC Community Transport Seminar: Cllr Stone will attend.

45. Borough Green & Platt Bypass/Traffic Matters

Letters from Babbie and T&MBC HMU re proposed works and road closure A227 Wrotham Bypass were noted. Chairman has written to T&M HMU re A227 surface water drainage problems.

46. Neighbourhood Watch

Mr John Booker has been appointed *Community Police Officer*

Agreed to invite him to the next Parish Council meeting on 4 Sept. 2000.

Further agreed to invite the Neighbourhood Watch Co-Ordinator, Mrs *D. Allen*, and local representatives to the October PC meeting.

47. Clerk's Salary

Chairman proposed that Clerk be paid the NJC agreed increases: pay scale spinal point 23 and Outer Fringe Allowance w.e.f 1 April 2000. Agreed.

48. Basted Mill Public Open Space

The bridge has now been completed. Chairman proposed that a grant of £1400 be made. Agreed.

49. Potters Mede Rating Liability/RGMC

Agreed that this should be discussed at a separate meeting.

50. Recreation Ground:

**Opening Ceremony:** This will be held on site at 7.30pm on Thursday 31 August 2000. The Mayor of T&MBC will perform the opening ceremony and light refreshments will be served in the Bowls Club pavilion.

**Trees:** Chairman and Vice-Chairman met with the residents of 37 Harrison Road. Agreed to consult with T&MBC.

51. Potters Mede

**Field:** Cllr Stone will arrange for weedkiller/fertiliser to be applied after the playscheme

All Cllrs



52. **Committee Reports**

**Highways, Footpaths & Street Lighting:** A letter from Kent County Constabulary re taxi parking, 9 Wrotham Road was noted.

A letter from T&MBC HMU re drainage grids, High Street was read. Councillors are still of the opinion that the grids are a tripping hazard.

Reinstatement of paving at entrance to Chapel View site is required.

**BGVHMC:** Cllr J Evans will deputise for Cllr Holwill whilst he is unwell.

**Men of Trees:** Basted Mill Public Open Space will be included in the next tour of inspection.

**Quarries Liaison:** No report.

**Basted Mill Public Open Space:** No further report.

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53. **Cheques for Signature:**

£6229.50	Steadline Ltd – Footpath, Recreation Ground
£2115.00	How Green Nursery– Hanging Baskets
£587.50	Peter Mannington – Verti-Draining, Potters Mede
£161.10	Kidman’s – Mower, Recreation Ground
£172.30	John Bourne & Co Ltd – Bark for Play Area, Recreation Ground
£63.16	KCC – Maintenance Materials, Potters Mede
£35,000.00	Wicksteed Leisure – Playground Equipment, Rec.Gd. (Part Payment)
£53.80	Riverhead Glass – Window replacement, Potters Mede
£334.44	Audit Commission – Audit fee 1998/99
£1400.00	BMPOS - Grant

**NatWest Auto-Pay**

£160.79	A Gill – Groundsman 1/8 – 31/8/00
£577.24	R Springett – Asst. Groundsman 1/8– 31/8/00
£717.00	H Damiral – Clerk August 2000
£446.49	J Stephens – Caretaker 1/8– 31/8/00

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

54. There were no confidential matters for discussion.

*J. Evans*  
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## BOROUGH GREEN PARISH COUNCIL

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**Memo to:** All Councillors  
**From:** Clerk  
**Date:** 21 August 2000

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### **Borough Green Recreation Ground**

You are particularly reminded of the opening ceremony at Borough Green Recreation Ground on Thursday 31 August at 7.30pm.

Now that we have more idea of the number of likely guests, we are pleased to be able to extend a warm welcome to the husbands/wives of Parish Councillors.

### **Planning Committee**

There will not be a meeting this month, due to the Bank Holiday.

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