

Minutes of the meeting of Borough Green Parish Council held at 7.30p.m. on Monday 6 February 2006 at Potters Mede

Prior to the meeting T&MBC Waste Management Officer outlined arrangements for the collection of green waste and cardboard in Borough Green. Green refuse bins will be supplied and weekly collections will alternate with the black bins. The green paper boxes will be emptied at the same time as the green refuse bins. The scheme is likely to be introduced in late April and explanatory leaflets will be circulated.

Present: Cllr B Hughes (Chairman), Cllrs. J Bailey, Mrs L Barrow (8.50p.m.) J Broad, Mrs J Lucas, S Perry, Miss L Robinson, C Willsher, Mrs B Woodhams
 Apologies: Cllr J Phillips T&MB Cllrs D Evans & Mrs S Murray
 There were ten members of the public in attendance

Declarations of interest: Cllr Mrs Woodhams item 121 Planning TM/05/3570 20/22 Wrotham Rd. Cllr Hughes item 127 Age Concern Malling. Cllr Bailey item 128 'Ingleside' development.

Action

118. **Minutes** of the meeting 9 January 2006 were signed as a true record.

119. **Matters Arising**

110. Police Community Support Officer: Agreed to invite a Police representative to address the council.

120. **Election of Vice-Chairman**

Cllr Mrs Woodhams proposed Cllr Willsher, seconded by Cllr Mrs Lucas. Cllr Bailey proposed Cllr Mrs Woodhams who declined to stand. There being no other nominations Cllr Willsher was duly elected.

121. **Planning Matters**

TM/05/3295 Landscaping & boundary treatment – 1 The Lawns, 153 Maidstone Rd. No observations.
 TM/05/3570 Outline application – Residential development 20/22 Wrotham Road: revised drawings and description. Cllr Willsher outlined a proposed PC response which was agreed with the inclusion of concern about close proximity to school crossing patrol.
 TM/05/4031 Change of use to include B8 use (tenancy) – ARC, Quarry Hill Rd. No observations.
 TM/05/0066 LBA: Replacement floor – 57 Wrotham Road. No observations.
 TM/05/0093 Extension and porch – 131 Maidstone Road. Concern about overlooking neighbouring property.
 TM/05/0100 Change of use to clinic – 1A Station Road. No observations.
 TM/05/0292 Conservatory – 34 Quarry Hill Rd. No observations.
 TM/05/0313 Joinery details – 89 Station Road. No observations.

Decisions

TM/05/3296 Toilet & office alterations – Henry Simmonds PH, Wrotham Road. Permission granted.
 TM/05/3342 Conservatory – 31 Annetts Hall. Permission granted.
 TM/05/3458 Access – 1 The Lawns, 153 Maidstone Rd. Details approved.
 TM/05/3506 Acoustic protection – 153 Maidstone Road. Details approved
 TM/05/3533 Joinery – Orchard House, 71 Sevenoaks Road. Details approved.
 TM/05/4024 Extension – 2 Annetts Hall. Permission granted.
 Bar K 51 High Street – Planning contravention investigated re. new advert. Application for consent will be progressed.
 1 Tilmans Planning contravention investigated re. engineering works. Application for consent will be progressed.

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

A-Z Geographers Co Ltd continued concern about the recently installed O₂ equipment in Fairfield Road was noted. It is understood that Sir John Stanley MP is corresponding with ODPM on this subject.
 Faulty street lighting furniture and columns in the High Street, Wrotham Road and Western Rd car park will be reported.
 A quotation for speed monitoring device will be circulated to all members. For discussion at the next meeting.
 Noted that Borough Green United FC are top of the league and in the semi-final of the cup. It was confirmed that it is the responsibility of the football clubs to mark out BGPC pitches.
 Cllr Mrs Barrow and Cllr Broad will be in attendance at the Parish Office 10-12 noon Saturday 4 March 2006.

All

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Cllr Mrs Woodhams left the meeting.

123. **Correspondence**

Noted:

KCC Superannuation regulations, changes & training
 T&MBC Standards Cttee meeting 25/01/06 (Copy to BH)
 Kent Trading Standards Warning re. Rogue traders operating in Kent
 KCC Definitive map addition FP MR593 Tilton Rd/Sevenoaks Rd
 KCC Early years & Childcare magazine
 KCC Copy correspondence to WSP Development Kent Local Transport Plan – BG bypass
 T&MBC Heritage Open Days 2006
 SLCC Meeting 08/02/06
 Age Concern Malling Publicity
 Network Rail Kent Free Trees Scheme
 KCC Licences for tables/chairs on public highway
 SE Rural Towns Partnership Newsletter
 T&MBC Visits to parish councils
 KCC Mobile waste exhibition unit
 T&MBC Housing stock condition survey: residents are encouraged to participate if requested.
 BG Baptist Church Provisional dates for open-air services in the Recreation Ground.
 28 May, 25 June and 23 July 2006 6.30–7.15 pm.

Wrotham School: Agreed to send a letter of support to KCC for the proposed modernisation of buildings at Wrotham School.

124. **Vacancy BGPC**

No election has been called. The current vacancy will now be filled by co-option.

125. **Annual Parish Meeting**

The meeting will be held at 8pm on Friday 28 April 2006 at Potters Mede.

126. **Recreation Grounds**

Rec. Gd. Pavilion: Re-roofing works have commenced. **Entrance gates:** Due to poor state of repair, agreed to request Hyders to remove and advise on possible refurbishment. **Use of ground:** Request to hold a funfair during a summer weekend was agreed in principle although it is felt that Whitegate Field would be more suitable. This will be suggested and further details requested. **Drainage:** Agreed that remedial works at the entrance to the children's play area have now been completed satisfactorily.

Potters Mede pavilion: Refurbishment works are due to commence on 28 February 2006. **Use of building:** Installation of mirrored walls in the committee room for the benefit of dance groups, may be considered at a later date. Further details will be requested from the hirer. Copies of a written request to hire the facilities for a nursery group will be given to all members. For consideration at the next meeting.

A request to use the car park for 6no staff cars Monday-Friday was received from Platform Rentals. Chairman proposed that this be agreed 1 Sept–31 March at a total charge of £30/wk. Agreed. **Water supply:** Emergency works were required to rectify a substantial water leak under the car park surface. Chairman approved acceptance of a quotation from Waterlink in the sum of £225 + VAT call-out charge & 2 hrs labour and £75/hr subsequent time. Action agreed. Noted that drainage pipes generally were found to have become very brittle and liable to develop faults.

There then followed the period for public consultation.

The Parish Council reiterated its support for the new Celcon factory building, subject to the relevant authorities being satisfied as to emissions.

The condition of the road through Basted Mill was raised. The Parish Council agreed to refer this to the Basted Mill Public Open Space Joint Committee and Kent Highways.

A resident has expressed an interest in forming an environmental action group in Borough Green to provide practical input into enhancing the village. Any person interested in joining the group should contact the Clerk.

Cllr Bailey left the meeting.

All

127. **Cheques for Signature**

A letter from Age Concern Malling was read: The Assisted Shopping Service to Asda will be advertised throughout the village.

Auto-Pay

£723.25 R Springett - Asst. Groundsman 1/1 - 31/1/06
 £1076.95 H Damiral - Clerk January 2006
 £415.22 W Austin - Caretaker/Groundsman 1/1 - 31/1/06
 £282.48 M Taylor - Groundsman 1/1 - 31/1/06
 £87.88 Kent Aluminium - Maintenance materials Potters Mede & skate park
 £58.50 BGVHMC - Hire of hall Pop-In Jan - March 2006
 £27.00 BGVHMC - Hire of hall Foot Clinic Jan - March 2006
 £414.78 KCC - Superannuation January 2006
 £60.00 J Stephens - Websites maintenance January 2006
 £216.29 Seeboard - Street lighting maintenance February 2006
 £27.47 Kent Aluminium - Maintenance materials Rec. Gd & P Mede
 £261.90 Seeboard - Street lighting supply January 2006

£170.00 Kidman's - Mowers maintenance, Rec. Gd & P Mede
 £76.38 Wicksteed Leisure - Playground safety inspection & risk inspection
 £100.00 Age Concern Malling - Donation
 £75.00 Compaid - Donation
 £100.00 Victim Support West Kent - Donation
 £495.93 Wrotham Parish Council - Skate Park contribution
 £439.57 Wrotham Parish Council - Skate Park contribution
 Noted that the £495.93 to Wrotham Parish Council is a part-payment as details are being clarified.

128. **Resolved to enter in committee**

Staff security checks were discussed.

Three items of correspondence regarding the 'Ingleside' development was received. Agreed to pass all relevant correspondence to the Parish Council's solicitor.

There was further discussion about the proposed residential development 20/22 Wrotham Road.