

Minutes of Borough Green Parish Council held at 7.30pm on Monday 3 April 2000 at Potters Mede.

Present: Cllrs Mrs Murray (Chairman), C Brinkley-Willsher, A Dolton, D Evans(9.30pm), J Evans, B Hughes, MStone.

Apologies: Cllrs Mrs V Hayman, C Holwill

There were two members of the public in attendance.

	<u>Action</u>
156 <u>Minutes</u> of the meeting 6 March 2000 were signed as a true record.	
157 <u>Matters Arising</u> 146.142 Chairman had received a copy letter from BGVHMC to T&MBC re flooding 148 Chairman, Cllr Stone and representatives of Ightham and Wrotham Parish Councils met with Kelly Communications. A more direct route for the cables was suggested and Kelly may give it consideration. There is concern that there is no co-ordinated approach between contractors for cable laying, plus added concern about effects of increased number of masts being erected for mobile phone networks. A letter will be sent to the DETR. 153 Highways - Cllr Brinkley-Willsher will allocate all Members (excluding Cllr D Evans) an area of the Parish to check.	CB-W
158 <u>Planning Matters</u> TM/99/2303 Details – acoustic appraisal – 17/19 High Street. Observation: Exterior finish must match existing. TM/00/0327 Garage and covered way – 20 Sevenoaks Road. No observations. TM/00/0461 Single storey industrial building – Land west of Arcontrol, Quarry Hill Road. After considerable discussion agreed that whilst the proposed extension falls within the Green Belt, the application is supported although it is assumed that appropriate measures will be taken for bunding and tree planting. TM/00/0469 Residential development – Land r/o Borough Green House, off Tilton Rd. A site meeting will be held on 6 April 2000 and subsequent comments passed to the Clerk. The next PC Planning Meeting will be held on Monday 22 May 2000. It will commence at 7.30pm as Mr L Pearson T&MBC Chief Planner (Development Control) will meet with Members. <u>Planning Decisions</u> TM/98/0528 Removal of condition to allow 24 hour working/7 days week – Celcon, Ightham Sandpits. Permission granted. TM/98/1843 Notification of Determination of New Conditions – Borough Green Sandpit. TM/99/2088 Change of use to a Brewery – 11 Western Road. Lawful Development Cert. issued TM/99/2369 Alterations & additions, Bowls Club Pavilion – Borough Green Recreation Ground. Permission granted. TM/99/2784 Residential development – 21/25 Sevenoaks Road. Permission refused. TM/00/0031 Extension – 35 Wye Road. Permission granted. TM/00/0041 Change of use to office – 15/17 Quarry Hill Road. Permission granted. TM/99/2477 Satellite Dish – Kentish Saab Garage, Station Approach. Permission granted.	All Cllrs
159 <u>Correspondence</u> Noted: West Kent Police Newsletter KCC Highway Maintenance Plan Highways Agency Leaflet – Roadworks April – June 2000 Basted Mill Public Open Space Cttee. Minutes 28/2/2000 & 13/3/2000 WPPC meeting agenda 4/4/2000 Transfer of Justices' Licence – 'The Henry Simmonds' Transfer of Justices' Licence – 'Co-Op' Sevenoaks Road KRCC meeting and list of events Swanley Town Council – holiday accommodation for senior citizens, Eastbourne T&MBC 'Slimline Senior Management Structure' Age Concern Malling – Changes in Structure.	

Correspondence (Continued)

Correspondence for consideration

KCC New Street Lighting Contract for 2001 – Questionnaire. Cllr Brinkley-Willsher reported. He will prepare a response and pass it to the Clerk.

CB-W

NatWest On-Line Banking was considered. Agreed in principle but Clerk will make further enquiries.

An invitation was received from Borough Green Bowls Club to attend a game with T&M Councillors on 13 August 2000. Members wishing to attend should advise the Clerk at the next PC meeting on 8 May 2000.

All Cllrs

There then followed the period for public consultation

Proposed residential development Borough Green House - Concerns re. protection of FP407, drainage, access and replacement tree planting were raised. The comments will be taken into consideration at the site meeting later in the week.

All Cllrs

160 Borough Green & Platt Bypass/Traffic Matters

It was reported that a Planning application has been made for redevelopment of Dark Hill Farm, Ightham as an hotel. Agreed that if this were to be approved, the need for a Bypass would be even greater.

161 Borough Green & Wrotham Youth Group

Chairman reported on current situation re. staffing difficulties.

162 Village Clock

Agreed in principle that there should be a working clock in a prominent position in the village. This will be given further consideration at a later date.

163 Strategy Review

The document had been passed for circulation and was noted.

164 KCC Signing Policy Guidelines

The document had been passed for circulation and was noted.

165 Seaboard Street Lighting

A quotation from Seaboard was received in the sum of £181.67 + VAT for repairs to a light o/s 1 Wyatt Close. Chairman proposed that this be accepted. Agreed. Cllr Brinkley-Willsher proposed that Seaboard maintenance charges 2000/2001 be accepted in the sum of £167.99 + VAT/month, seconded by Cllr Hughes. Agreed.

166 Recreation Ground

Signs: Chairman proposed that a sign be installed giving information re. nearest public/emergency facilities and T&MBC telephone number for reporting any damage discovered. T&MBC have given advice re. appropriate wording. Agreed.

Chairman proposed that a sign be installed in the playground, naming sources of grant aid for the equipment, setting out age limits for use of equipment and banning dogs from the area. Agreed. Chairman will liaise with Clerk to finalise wording of these signs.

Further consideration will be given to removal of the board displaying the ByeLaws. Clerk will seek advice from T&MBC.

Playground Equipment: An order has been placed with Wicksteed Leisure Ltd for new playground equipment, as previously reported, in the sum of £29,878 + VAT. Chairman had also liaised with Councillors and proposed that the replacement of the see-saw in the sum of £3096 + VAT be approved. Agreed

Fencing: Clerk reported further from the contractor. Chairman proposed that the quotation from Chestnut Products Ltd be accepted in the sum of £1894 + VAT. Agreed. The single gate must be 1m in width and the double 2m minimum. Work will be scheduled to commence on 5 June 2000.

Drainage: T&MBC recommend installation of a French Drain on the south side of the Ball Park. Approx verbal price £15/lin.m. For further consideration at the next meeting. Verti-draining an area of the field will be carried out by the Ball Park contractor.

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Footpath: Chairman and Cllr Dolton visited the site to agree details re the exact route and details for the path. Tenders will be reported to the next meeting.

Cricket Practice Area: Before the next meeting Members will give consideration to the removal of the concrete area.

Bowls Club Hedge: Clearance work will start 18 April 2000 and a new hedge will be planted in October.

All Cllrs

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Drainage: A verbal price for verti-drainage was received via T&MBC in the sum of £250/day if co-ordinated with a T&MBC contract. As a guideline, one football pitch may take one day. For further consideration at the next meeting.

168 **Committee Reports**

Highways, Footpaths & Street Lighting: Crest Homes advised that T&MBC has agreed to adopt the footpath between The Landway/McDermott Road.

BGVHMC: A prospective hirer (taxi company) has now withdrawn from negotiations for use of part of the building. The AGM will be held on 18 April 2000.

Men of Trees: Chairman proposed that the competition be entered this year for a fee of £10. Agreed.

Quarries Liaison: A meeting with RMC has been postponed until 24 May 2000.

Basted Mill Open Space: Cllr Hughes reported. The next meeting will be held on 27 April 2000. Noted that the meetings are open to the public.

169 **Cheques for Signature**

1999/2000

Pre-Meeting

£1400.00 Basted Mill Public Open Space - Donation

Meeting

£154.01 Seeboard – Street Lighting Supply March 2000

£161.28 BGVHMC – Pop-In, February – May 2000

£206.24 Petty Cash

£674.80 KCC – Superannuation contributions Oct.1999 – March 2000

£42.35 J Stephens – o/t payment March 2000

£100.00 Age Concern Malling – Donation

£50.00 TMVSS – Donation

£75.00 Compaid – Donation

£10.00 Men of Trees – Competition Fee

£33.60 Cash – Rec.Gds. Imprest A/C

£15.00 KCPFA – Annual Subscription

£917.67 Inland Revenue PAYE/NI Jan. – March 2000

NatWest Auto-Pay

£112.74 A Gill – Groundsman 1/3 – 31/3/00

£255.67 R Springett – Asst. Groundsman 1/3– 31/3/00

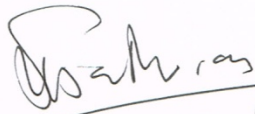
£472.20 H Damiral – Clerk March 2000

£317.56 J Stephens – Caretaker/Groundsman 1/3 – 31/3/00

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

170 **Resolved to enter into committee**

After discussion agreed that J Stephens will work extra hours (up to 40 hours/week) during April and May to carry out work to the cricket square and complete refurbishment of the kitchen. Reduced hours will be worked during the summer months to compensate. Agreed that Chairman and Vice-Chairman will agree final details with Mr Stephens.


8/5/00