

BARHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Parish Council Meeting held at Barham Village Hall, Thursday 3rd September 2009 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT: Vice Chairman Mr E. Mullett and Cllrs Mrs H. Pechey, Mrs C. Ridgway, M. Simpson, Mrs V. Steer, D. Tamsitt and D. Wood.

117/2009 Public Speaking:

Three Parishioners attended the meeting.
No matters were raised or discussed.

118/2009 Apologies: The Chairman who is on holiday and Cllr J. Brown due to work commitments.

119/2009 Minutes:

- (a) Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on 02/07/2009 -
Proposed by Cllr D. Tamsitt and seconded by Cllr Mrs V. Steer
- (b) Minutes of a Closed Meeting held on 02/07/2009 –
Proposed by Cllr D. Wood and seconded by Cllr D. Tamsitt
- (c) Minutes of a Parish Council Planning Meeting held on 06/08/2009 -
Proposed by Cllr Mrs V. Steer and seconded by Cllr D. Wood

120/2009 Co-Option of Members:

The Vice Chairman and Councillors welcomed the new co-opted member to the Parish Council, Caroline Ridgway.

121/2009 Matters Arising:

Cllr V. Steer advised that large groups of people are meeting up at the old recreation ground with cars leaving behind rubbish, needles, etc. A fire had been lit near the rubber matting. The Chairman has reported this matter to the Police. The Parish Council agreed that the Vice Chairman will request Steve Biddolph to obtain and erect bollards to stop cars from accessing the old recreation ground.

122/2009 Finance:

- (a) Balances as at 31 August 2009
 - Current Account..... £43,709.28
 - Includes Broadband Grant..... £33,134.00
 - Capital Reserve Account..... £27,690.97
 - Includes Social Fund Balance of..... £ 817.51
 - Includes Grant from Canterbury City Council..... £ 2,854.00
- (b) To pay any Accounts received prior to the meeting:
 - (i) Vfast Internet re 7 installations at 20/08/2009 - £1,714.65;
 - (ii) KALC re Governance Toolkit - £11.15;
 - (iii) ROSPA Play Area Annual Inspections - £169.05;

- (iv) Ringway re Street Light Maintenance for 01/10/2009 to 31/09/2010 - £2,340.73;
- (v) Pay any other Accounts received prior to the meeting:
 - (1) Grassmow re Village & Churchyards August 2009 - £487.15;
 - (2) Mrs S. Miles re hedge cutting at Derringstone Village Green - £105.00;
 - (3) Suttons for anti-mole bulbs and planting tool.
- (c) Any other financial matters: None

123/2009 Town and Country Planning Matters:

- (a) CA/09/00909/FUL – Cedar House, Old Dover Road, Barham – Replacement of existing boundary fencing and single-storey extension to reception – Planning Application Granted - Noted;
- (b) CA/09/00909/FUL – Cedar House, Old Dover Road, Barham – Replacement of existing boundary fencing and single-storey extension to reception – Copy of revised/additional plans/information for information only with all Councillors - Noted;
- (c) CA/09/00919/FUL – Red Oak Cottage, South Barham Hill, Barham – Erection of detached garage/store - Planning Application Granted - Noted;
- (d) CA/09/01048/FUL – Downside, Derringstone Hill, Barham – Extension to front of dwelling - Planning Application Granted;
- (e) CA/09/01102/FUL – The Wrekin, Railway Hill, Barham – Single-storey extension and erection of a detached garage to rear of dwelling - Copy of revised/additional plans/information for information only with all Councillors - Noted;
- (f) Report on new driveway/entrance onto Greenhills, Barham – The Clerk reported that she had spoken to customer services in Planning Enforcement at Canterbury City Council advising them that no responses were being received from David Simes to e-mails, telephone messages or letters sent to him. The Clerk was advised that they would look into this and refer back to her;
- (g) Report on alleged breach re change of use to stationing of mobile home for residential purposes – Sparrow Court, Gravel Castle Road, Barham – The Clerk gave a report on her telephone discussion with Terry Dawson, who will refer back to her with a further report in due course;
- (h) Report on alleged breach re change of use of land to stationing of mobile home – Greenhills Farm, Greenhills, Barham - The Clerk reported that she had spoken to customer services in Planning Enforcement at Canterbury City Council advising them that no responses were being received from David Simes to e-mails, telephone messages or letters sent to him. The Clerk was advised that they would look into this and refer back to her;
- (i) Report on alleged breach re hardstanding – Ground behind Springfield and Theberton House, The Street, Barham – The Clerk will contact Alison Gravett to request a further report in this matter;
- (j) Any other Planning Applications received prior to the meeting:
 - (i) CA/09/00745/FUL & CA/09/00746/CAC – Demolition of outbuilding in connection with erection of detached bungalow and garage – Amended plans/additional information received – No objections;
 - (ii) CA/09/0885/ADV – Showan Hydraulics, Dover Road, Barham – Installation of four internally illuminated signs (Retrospective) – No objections;

- (iii) CA/09/01231/FUL & CA/09/01226/LB – Derringstone Hill Farm, Derringstone Hill, Barham – Demolition of rear wall, erection of garden room to rear of dwelling with internal and external alterations – No objections;
- (iv) CA/09/01004/FUL – Bali Hai, Derringstone Hill, Barham – Single-storey extension to rear of dwelling – Planning Application Granted – Noted.

124/2009 Roads and Footpaths:

- (a) The Clerk is to report the following:
 - (i) A large pothole at the side of Valley Road when entering Out Elmstead Lane from the Black Robin side;
 - (ii) Potholes right along The Street and Church Lane.
- (b) The Clerk reported that the cost of the Bridleway Bridge will be 1.6 million pounds, which includes all associated Bridleway, traffic management, site cost and fabrication and delivery and erection of the bridge;
- (c) The Clerk to ask Canterbury City Council if dog bins can be placed on the grass verge in Valley Road.

125/2009 Parish Maintenance:

- (a) Cllr Mrs V. Steer continues to report street lights that need repairing;
- (b) The Clerk is to report the following:
 - (i) Request bigger ‘one-way’ signs at each end of Gravel Castle Road as cars are still going the wrong way;
 - (ii) On the south-west corner of Gravel Castle Road and Church Lane, the ‘Church Lane’ street nameplate needs re-erecting as it has been knocked over;
 - (iii) Request a ‘Children Crossing’ sign to be placed on Gravel Castle Road going towards the Play Area.

126/2009 Social: Nothing to report.

127/2009 Village Hall:

AGM to be held on 28/09/2009.

128/2009 Safety First Report: Nothing to report.

129/2009 Post Office/Shop:

- (a) Copy of letter dated 02/07/2009 from Post Office with all Councillors;
- (b) Cllr D. Wood reported on behalf of the Nailbourne Community Store Committee Ltd that business is improving and building up slowly. The opening of the Post Office/Shop went very well and appeared on the news on television.

130/2009 Youth Club: Nothing to report.

131/2009 Open Areas:

- (a) The Clerk reported that she was awaiting a reply from City Councillor Martin Vye re the Dog Ban Signs;

- (b) Copy of letter from Mr Cameron-Fleming of Canterbury City Council dated 07/08/2009 re allotments with all Councillors;
- (c) Donation by Horticultural Society – Place on next Agenda;
- (d) Report by Cllr M. Simpson re refurbishment of toddlers play area – Place on next Agenda;
- (e) The Clerk reported that the Chairman had suggested purchasing organic sork mole bulbs that secrete a smell moles detest, to see whether this cured the mole problem before arranging pest control to remove the moles. This was agreed by all Councillors;
- (f) The Clerk reported that she had received no feedback from parishioners regarding ideas for the use of the Chapel in the community. Clerk to report back to John Wilson in this regard.

132/2009 Village Plan:

- (a) Cllr M. Simpson reported that the review of the Village Plan is underway.

133/2009 Website - www.barhampc.kentparishes.gov.uk: The Clerk continues to maintain and keep the website updated. The Clerk reported that since 02/07/2009 to 03/09/2009, excluding the Clerks visits, there have been 766 other visits recorded to the website.

134/2009 KALC/ ARCK /CPRE:

- (a) KALC – Minutes of the Canterbury Area Committee Annual General Meeting held on 08/07/2009 with Representatives;
- (b) ACRK – Oast to Coast Summer 2009 for circulation with Councillors;
- (c) KALC – Parish News Issue No. 341 of 29/07/2009 with Representatives;
- (d) ACRK – Notification re 86th Annual Meeting to be held on 01/09/2009 with Representative;
- (e) ACRK – Rural News No. 91 July 2009 with all Councillors;
- (f) CPRE – E-mail dated 05/08/2009 with all Councillors;
- (g) CPRE – E-mail dated 02/09/2009 with all Councillors.

135/2009 Correspondence/General:

- (a) Copy of e-mail PCSO Myck Beddall dated 10/07/2009 with all Councillors;
- (b) Minutes of Police Parish Council Forum Meeting held on 06/06/2009 with all Councillors;
- (c) Policing Kent – Our Plans for 2009-12 for circulation with Councillors;
- (d) E-Newsletter Issue 21 July 2009 for circulation with Councillors;
- (e) Policing Pledge with all Councillors;
- (f) Copy of Minutes of Street Monitors Meeting held on 09/06/2009 with all Councillors;
- (g) Copy of RAGS Minutes of Meeting held on 30/06/2009 with all Councillors;
- (h) South East Water Resources Update for circulation with Councillors;
- (i) Copy of e-mail from Kent Fire & Rescue Service re Service Performance Plan 2009/10 with all Councillors;
- (j) NHS Eastern and Coastal Kent's Annual Report 2008/09 for circulation with Councillors;

- (k) Copy of e-mail dated 21/08/2009 from PCSO Dave Garland re Canterbury Rural Neighbourhood Team with all Councillors;
- (l) Copy of letter re Rural Forum to be held on 28/09/2009 with the Chairman;
- (m) Kent Downs August E-Bulletin for circulation with Councillors.

136/2009 Date of Next Meeting:

The Parish Council Meeting for October 2009 will be held at Barham Village Hall on Thursday 24th September 2009 at 7.30 p.m.

Meeting ended at 8.35p.m.