

BARHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Parish Council Meeting held at Barham Village Hall, Thursday 2nd December 2010 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT: The Chairman Mrs L. Davies, Vice Chairman Mr E. Mullett and Cllrs Mrs H. Pechey, Mrs C. Ridgeway, Mrs V. Steer, D. Tamsitt and D. Wood.

148/2010 Public Speaking:

Two Parishioner attended the meeting, Ray Heslop and Robin Townsend.

149/2010 Apologies:

Cllrs J. Brown and M. Simpson both due to work commitments.

150/2010 Minutes:

Proposed by Cllr Mrs V. Steer and seconded by Cllr Mrs H. Pechey.

151/2010 Matters Arising: None

152/2010 Finance:

- (a) Balances as at 30 November 2010
 - Current Account..... £ 5,558.47
 - Includes Broadband Grant..... £ 1,562.06
 - Capital Reserve Account..... £35,709.03
 - Includes Social Fund Balance of..... £ 4,853.26
- (b) To pay any Accounts received prior to the meeting:
 - (i) Final Broadband Customer Installations up till 31/10/2010 - £2,252.48;
 - (ii) Veolia Water 29/10/2010 - £7.88;
 - (iii) Clerk's salary/administration expenses for period 01/10/2010 to 31/12/2010 - £1,324.79;
 - (iv) EDF Energy for period 01/10/2010 to 31/12/2010 – To be advised;
 - (v) Pay any other Accounts received prior to the meeting:
 - 1. Grassmow re cuts in Village & Churchyards in November 2010 - £512.00;
 - 2. Mrs L. Davies re replacement of bulbs for Christmas Tree Lights - £35.88.
- (c) Any other financial matters: None

153/2010 Town and Country Planning Matters:

- (a) Notice of Proposed Work to Trees in a Conservation Area – 1 The Shrubby, Valley Road, Barham – Remove one young Sycamore tree from bank at rear of garden to allow in more light and remove several trees (Holly & Yew) at front of garden to allow Oak tree to flourish – Copy of e-mail from Christine Warren and letter from Jon Lambourne dated 10/11/2010 with all Councillors;

(b) Notice of Proposed Work to Trees in a Conservation Area – Virginia Cottage, Derrington Hill, Barham – Reduce a line of conifers on boundary with Dale View by 50% - No objections;

(c) Notice of Proposed Work to Trees in a Conservation Area – Coachman's Cottage, Valley Road, Barham – Fell one Sycamore tree on southern boundary overshadowing two newly planted trees, vegetable garden and solar panel – to be replaced by one Sorbus and reduce height of multi-stemmed Hazel within rear hedge on western boundary creating dense shade to raised bed area and overcrowding a Hawthorn and Field Maple to approximately 10 foot - No objections;

(i) Any other Planning Applications received prior to the meeting:

1. CA/10/02015/TPO – Broome Park, Canterbury Road, Barham – Works related to trees subject to T.P.O. No. 1 of 1953 – No objections.

154/2010 Roads and Footpaths:

(a) The Clerk is to report/enquire as to the following:

(i) To again chase the cutting back of the trees obstructing the view of traffic on the verge at the top of Church Lane at the junction of the A260 that was reported on 10/09/2010.

(b) The Clerk to enquire from Kent County Councillor Michael Northey as to the likely timescale for extending 30mph speed limit. With regards to the repainting of the lines and an earlier STOP sign warning or other warning sign of junction ahead, this has been attended to;

(c) Copy of e-mail dated 18/11/2010 from Kent Highways re Salt Bags with all Councillors;

(d) Copy of e-mail from Sam Da Costa re repairs to road at Derrington Hill with all Councillors;

(e) Copy of "To Grit or Not To Grit" from Insurance Company with all Councillors.

155/2010 Parish Maintenance:

(a) Cllr Mrs V. Steer continues to report street lights that need repairing;

(b) Clerk to report that the street nameplate "Walderchain Wood" on the crossroads of Derrington and Walderchain has broken off.

156/2010 Social:

The Chairman advised that the Pensioners Luncheon is to take place on 12/02/2011.

157/2010 Village Hall:

Cllr E. Mullett advised that a Village Hall Meeting is to be held on 06/12/2010.

158/2010 Post Office/Shop: Nothing to report.

159/2010 Youth Club: Nothing to report.

160/2010 Open Areas:

(a) The Chairman to chase the signs for the Village Greens that have been ordered;

- (b) Copy of e-mail dated 18/11/2010 re Kent Downs AONB Village Signing with all Councillors;
- (c) The items marked by the Chairman with an asterisk are to be reported to Playdale for attention. The Chairman will work on the rest of the report.

161/2010 Village Plan:

The Clerk and Councillors went through the Draft Barham Parish Plan Review, making notes for conveying to Cllr M. Simpson so that the Parish Plan Review can be finalised.

162/2010 Website - www.barhampc.kentparishes.gov.uk: The Clerk continues to maintain and keep the website updated. The Clerk reported that since 04/11/2010 to 02/12/2010, excluding the Clerks visits, there have been 392 other visits recorded to the website.

163/2010 KALC/ ARCK /CPRE:

- (a) ACRK – Rural News Issue 97 November 2010 with all Councillors;
- (b) ACRK – Annual Summary 2009-2010 for circulation with Councillors;
- (c) ACRK – Oast to Coast Autumn 2010 for circulation with Councillors;
- (d) Kent Downs AONB – The Orchid Issue 18 Autumn/Winter 2010 for circulation with all Councillors;
- (e) CPRE – Countryside Voice Winter 2010 for circulation with all Councillor;
- (f) CPRE – E-mail dated 06/12/2010 with all Councillors.

164/2010 Correspondence/General:

- (a) Copy of letter from Kent County Council letter dated 10/11/2010 re KCC Annual Performance Report 2009/10 with all Councillors;
- (b) Copy of letter dated 18/11/2010 from The Office of Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant of Kent with the Chairman. The Chairman will attend;
- (c) Copy of letter from Canterbury City Council dated 03/11/2010 re Rural Area Member Panels – Public Question and Answer Session with all Councillors;
- (d) Parish News Newsletter Issue 34, December 2010 with all Councillors;
- (e) 2011 Census: Councillor Handbook with all Councillors.

165/2010 Date of Next Meeting:

- (a) Parish Council Meeting to be held at Barham Parish Hall on Thursday 3rd February 2011 at 7.30 p.m.;
- (b) The Chairman agreed that the Parish Council Meeting for April 2011 will be held on the 7th from 7.00p.m. until 7.30p.m. for any urgent matters and that the Annual Parish Meeting will follow on from 7.30p.m.

Meeting ended at 8.30p.m.