

BARHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Parish Council Meeting held at Barham Village Hall, Thursday 3rd June 2010 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT: The Chairman Mrs L. Davies and Cllrs Mrs H. Pechey, D. Tamsitt and D. Wood.

076/2010 Public Speaking:

Two Parishioners attended the meeting.

Parishioner Ray Heslop advised that branches of the hedge at Barham Crematorium on the A260, near the junction of Church Lane, are overhanging the road. The Clerk to write to Barham Crematorium in this regard.

077/2010 Apologies: Vice Chairman Mr E. Mullett who is on holiday and Cllrs J. Brown due to work commitments, Mrs C. Ridgway due to work commitments, Cllr M. Simpson due to work commitments and Mrs V. Steer who is on a day trip.

078/2010 Minutes:

Item 059/2010 (e) – Item to be amended as follows:

“**Village Hall** Cllr E. Mullett & D. Wood”

The remainder of the Parish Council Minutes of the Meeting held 06/05/2010, as read, were approved - Proposed by Cllr Mrs H. Pechey and seconded by Cllr D. Wood.

079/2010 Matters Arising: None

080/2010 Finance:

(a) Balances as at 31 May 2010

Current Account.....	£21,627.26
Includes Broadband Grant.....	£12,323.89
Capital Reserve Account.....	£38,700.55
Includes Social Fund Balance of.....	£ 3,192.06

(b) To pay any Accounts received prior to the meeting:

- (i) Veolia Water - £18.76;
- (ii) Kent County Playing Fields Association Annual subscription – £20.00;
- (iii) David Haywood re upgrade/repairs to computer – £357.50;
- (iv) Pay any other Accounts received prior to the meeting:
 - 1. Came & Company Annual Insurance for the period 01/06/2010 to 31/05/2011 - £1,079.72;
 - 2. Grassmow re supply of materials and erection of fence at play area at Brickfield Road - £510.50;
 - 3. Grassmow for grass cutting in Village and Churchyards for May 2010 - £493.00.

(c) Any other financial matters: None

081/2010 Town and Country Planning Matters:

- (a) CA/10/00667/FUL – Land South of Old Coach House, Dover Road, Barham – Change of use of land for micro-light flights in addition to continued agricultural use – No objections subject to the micro-light flights being for the sole use of the applicant for no more than the specified 28 days in any one calendar year and that all further existing conditions be upheld;
- (b) Notice of Proposed Work to Trees in a Conservation Area – Greenbanks, Barham – Crown lift first 3 trees at end of drive to allow clearance for vehicles and reduce branches on left hand side to clear overhead cables, remove 1 large branch of tree overhanging roadside entrance, remove dead wood and clean crown of oak tree near parking area, reduce large tree near side of residential house to allow more light into rooms, reduce and crown clean cherry plum tree beyond drive area and thin out mixture of conifers and holly trees to allow light up the driveway – No objections providing the works are carried out later in the year once the birds have finished nesting;
- (c) CA/10/00570/FUL – Barham Pre School Playgroup, Barham C of E Primary School, Valley Road, Barham – Replacement nursery mobile unit - Planning Application Granted - Noted;
- (d) Any other Planning Applications received prior to the meeting: None

082/2010 Roads and Footpaths:

- (a) The Clerk is to report/chase the following:
 - (i) Chase “find and fix repairs” that were to be carried out on various roads in Barham and to copy letter to Michael Northey.
- (b) The Clerk reported that the directional signs to be replaced along the A260 will take place within the next couple of months;
- (c) Copy of e-mail dated 20/05/2010 from Kent Highway Services re Find & Fix Programme with all Councillors;
- (d) Copies of correspondence regarding the Culvert Replacement were circulated with all Councillors. The small piece of land owned by the Parish Council etched in pink on the plans is to be purchased by Kent County Council for £250.00 and the Solicitors costs for transferring same will also be met by the Kent County Council. The Chairman will e-mail Ray Sanders regarding the heavy vibrating machinery that is to be used when works commence, to ensure that he has been duly informed;
- (e) The Clerk is to enquire of City Councillor Martin Vye of Canterbury City Council as to whom the Parish Council can approach with regards to extending the 30mph speed limit from the Church in to the junction of ‘Gravel Castle’ with ‘Church Lane’ to include ‘Gravel Castle’;
- (f) The Chairman will request Grassmow to remove the ivy around the Red Hawthorne tree at the entrance to The Shrubbery;
- (g) The Chairman has had a request to plant a Silver Birch tree in memory of Mr Titch Breach and either an Ash or a Eucalyptus tree in memory of Ashley Carter. The Parish Council have agreed. The Chairman will look for possible sites for the trees to be planted.

083/2010 Parish Maintenance:

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

- (b) The Clerk is to report/chase the following:
- (i) School Crossing Sign that has four flashing lights south of the School in Valley Road outside 'Flint Cottage' comes on at the wrong times and needs synchronising and the one north of 'The Street' in Valley Road does not come on at all.

084/2010 Social:

The Chairman has been in contact with Goody Demolition who has agreed to remove the debris from the recreation ground. The Chairman will prepare an order for fireworks.

085/2010 Village Hall:

Cllr D. Wood reported that they are still fund raising.

086/2010 Post Office/Shop:

Cllr D. Wood reported that the AGM will take place on 14/06/2010 at Barham Village Hall when the new committee will be elected from those who are shareholders.

087/2010 Youth Club: Nothing to report.

088/2010 Open Areas:

(a) The Chairman reported that she had met with Chris Paine who agreed that the dog ban sign on the post at the recreation ground should not be there and should have been placed on the cricket ground. It was further agreed that the only dog ban sign should be placed at the toddlers play area, that the dog ban signs on the Village Green and cricket ground will be revoked and a sign will be placed on the other side of the road into the recreation ground saying "Dogs not allowed in this area".

089/2010 Village Plan:

The Clerk is to contact Cllr M. Simpson advising that the review of the Village Plan is needed and to advise as to how far the matter has progressed.

090/2010 Website - www.barhampc.kentparishes.gov.uk: The Clerk continues to maintain and keep the website updated. The Clerk reported that since 07/05/2010 to 24/05/2010, excluding the Clerks visits, there have been 168 other visits recorded to the website.

091/2010 KALC/ ARCK /CPRE:

- (a) KALC – Parish News Issue 347 dated 07/05/2010 with Representatives;
- (b) KALC – AGM Meeting to be held on 14/07/2010 at Tyler Hill Memorial Hall at 7.30p.m. Clerk to confirm that two members of the Parish Council will attend;
- (c) CPRE – Copy of e-mail dated 02/06/2010 with all Councillors.

092/2010 Correspondence/General:

(a) Copy of letter from Kent County Council re Kent County Council Environment, Highways and Waste Directorate: Statement of Community Involvement: Draft for Consultation with all Councillors;

(b) Copy of e-mail dated 14/05/2010 from PCSO Alanna Allen with all Councillors.

093/2010 Date of Next Meeting:

Parish Council Meeting to be held at Barham Parish Hall on Thursday 1st July 2010 at 7.30p.m.;

Meeting ended at 8.37p.m.