

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF EASTRY PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT THE  
PARISH ROOM AT 7.30pm ON MONDAY 2nd NOVEMBER 2009.**

**Present: Councillors** S Smith      S Shevde      M Pemble      M Kemp      N Kenton

S Wells Clerk to the Parish Council      Dist Cllr Manion (Part)  
Community Warden Bob Priestley      PCSO Benson      1 member of the public

A member of the public had come to talk about speeding problems in Felderland Lane.

### **1. APOLOGIES**

Cllrs A Barwick, A Wiles, S Hooper, G Bury, M Bradshaw & M West

### **2. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

a) Minutes of the Churchyard and Cemetery Committee Meeting 6.30pm 29<sup>th</sup> Sept 2009  
It was proposed by Cllr Kemp and seconded by Cllr Pemble that the minutes of the above meeting should be signed as a true and correct record, all agreed and the Chairman signed the minutes.

b) Minutes of Ordinary meeting 7.30pm 5th Oct 2009  
It was proposed by Cllr Smith and seconded by Cllr Kemp that the minutes of the above meeting should be signed as a true and correct record, all agreed and the Chairman signed the minutes.

### **3. ACTIONS FROM THE LAST MEETING**

#### **Highways**

a) *Litter bins – Mill Lane opposite Hospital by the bus stop and end of Forge Alley.*

The Clerk had contacted DDC and the new bins had been ordered.

**Action Discharged**

b) *Parish Portal Training – 15<sup>th</sup> October Ashford* - The Clerk had attend the training event

**Action Discharged**

#### **Allotments and Leisure Fields**

#### **Pond**

*Quote for work to Pond* – The quote had been accepted and the work completed.

**Action Discharged**

#### **Picnic Site**

The Chain and padlock had been replaced.

**Action Discharged**

### **4. POLICE LIASION**

PCSO Benson reported that the main issue in the village at the moment was still with nuisance motor bikes. SIDs had been positioned in Lower Street and Sandwich Rd.

### **5. CODE OF CONDUCT**

a) Reminder to all Councillors that you have 28 days in which to inform the Monitoring Officer of any changes to your register of financial or other interests. - Noted

b) Parish Council Representative on Dover District Council's Standards Committee

The members did not wish to be nominated for this post.

c) DDC Request for copies of Declaration of Interest forms - The Clerk had sent the copies.

### **6. CORRESPONDENCE**

a) **Correspondence needing a response/decision**

i. Complaint ref overhanging trees Eastry Court Farm

The Clerk had sent a copy of the letter of complaint to Strutt and Parker as the Church Commissioners solicitors. She had not received any response from them as yet. It was agreed she should contact them and ask what action had been taken.

**Action Sarah Wells**

ii. White Cliffs Downland – Education & Restoration Programme Survey – by 10th Nov  
Cllr Kenton to complete the survey.

**Action Cllr Kenton**

**b) Consultation Documents - None received**

**c) News letters and Circulars**

- i. ACRK News
- ii. Community Safety in Eastry
- iii. DDC Close to home
- iv. Green Gang
- v. Oast to Coast
- vi. ACRK Annual Report 2008-09

The above were discussed and noted by the members.

**d) Other**

- i. KCC – Mobile libraries service
- ii. Countryside events
- iii. East Kent Hospitals University – Annual report 2008/09
- iv. Parish Police Forum Report

The above were discussed and noted by the members.

## 7. HIGHWAYS

**a) Request for signs to enhance entrances to Village**

After some discussion it was agreed that individually designed signs welcoming people to the village would be a nice enhancement and would be a way of getting local people involved if the design was part of a competition. It was agreed the Clerk should ask the person who raised the idea to meet and discuss the matter.

**Action Sarah Wells**

**b) Speeding Felderland Lane**

A representative from Felderland Lane had attended to ask if the Council could help with their campaign to get traffic calming and the speed limit reduced to 30mph. It was agreed the Clerk should contact KHS and ask for a traffic speed and number count to be undertaken, the counter to be situated by the post box opposite The Shrubbery.

**Action Sarah Wells**

**c) Street Light – Gore Lane**

The Street light in Gore Lane had still not been repaired. This light had been out for over 6 month now, the Clerk to contact the KHS Liaison Officer.

**Action Sarah Wells**

**d) Parade Lights**

The members were still waiting for the quotes for this work from Cllr West, the Clerk to contact him.

**Action Sarah Wells**

**e) Parade Bins**

The Clerk was still waiting for Cllr West to provide the information on the manufacturer of the bins so she could contact them to see if they made any bigger bins with the same footprint.

**Action Sarah Wells**

**f) Parking bays – Church Street**

These needed repainting, the new markings to return to the angled bays that were originally provided. The Clerk to contact KHS.

**Action Sarah Wells**

## 8. FINANCE

- a) Thank you letter from Eastry Village Hall - 2009 Grants
- b) DDC – Financial Plans
- c) DDC Precept due by 5th Feb 2010

The above were noted by the members.

**9. ACCOUNTS****Receipts**

PCC use Parish room	10.00
Funeral Whistler	340.00
Allotment Key & Tap deposits	10.00
	<b>360.00</b>

		<b>Cheque No</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>VAT</b>
<b>Nov 2009 Payments</b>				
Environmental Engineer - Oct Street Cleaning				
Toilet Cleaning Contract Oct		3996	305.00	
Toilet Supplies	140.00			
	6.18			
Neat Ideas - Stationary & stamps	<b>146.18</b>	3997	146.18	
Stripy Lawns - 2nd half Sept		3998	74.60	4.64
Southern Water - Allotments		3999	496.58	60.08
Grave digging fees		4000	133.05	
Petty Cash		4001	220.00	
Clerks Salary Oct		4002	60.00	
H M Revenue and Customs Income Tax		4003	685.78	
Employees NI	44.20			
Employers NI	30.71			
	28.35			
Employers Pension Contribution	<b>103.26</b>	4004	103.26	
Employees Pension Contribution	91.93			
	52.88			
Clerks Expenses	<b>144.81</b>	4005	144.81	
BT Phone Oct-Nov				
Plantability - Cut back vegetation footpath gun park		4006	11.73	
		4007	90.00	

It was proposed by Cllr Pemble and seconded by Cllr Kemp that the above payments should be made, all agreed. Cllr Shevde was third signatory.

**10. PLANNING**

- a) Applications
- b) Decisions
- c) Other

Covered in the planning meeting at 7.00pm prior to this meeting.

**11. FORTHCOMING EVENTS****a) Council Events**

- i. Christmas Trees – Five Bells and Village Hall

Cllr Kenton would see if he could obtain a tree for outside the Five Bells. Mr Kemp would be asked to erect and take down both trees, the trees to go up on the last weekend in Nov. He would also be asked to get the tree for the Village Hall and the one for the Five Bells if Cllr Kenton could not obtain one. Clerk to speak to Mr Kemp.

**Action Sarah Wells**

**b) Outside Events**

- i. Remembrance Sunday Service

Cllr Shevde to lay the Wreath on behalf of the Parish Council.

- ii. DDC Annual Town and Parish Liaison meeting 2009 – 11<sup>th</sup> November 2009 6.00pm for a 6.30pm start

Cllr Smith to attend

- iii. KALC – Annual General Meeting – 14<sup>th</sup> November 2009 – Ditton Community Centre  
 iv. Kent Highways – East Kent Parish Seminar – Ashford International Hotel – Canterbury Suite  
 Wed 25<sup>th</sup> Nov 9am for 9.30am start

The above were noted.

## 12. ALLOTMENTS AND LEISURE FIELDS

- a) **Gun Park** - Nothing to discuss  
 c) **Allotments** - Only one allotment left to let.  
 d) **Pond** - Nothing to discuss  
 e) **Picnic Site** - Nothing to discuss  
 f) **Allotments Play Area** - Nothing to discuss  
 g) **Correspondence** -Nothing to discuss

## 13. CHURCHYARD AND CEMETERY

### a) Churchyard & Cemetery

Cllr Shevde had been ask who owned or was responsible for the War Memorial, the Clerk did not think it was the Parish Council as it was not on the asset register or covered by the PC insurance. She would look at any records held that may clarify the situation.

**Action Sarah Wells**

### b) Recreation Ground

The hedge had been cut back around the bench.

## 14. REPORTS

### a) Dist Cllrs

Cllrs Manion and Kenton reported on DDC matters.

### b) Parish Councillors

Cllr Smith gave a report on the last Young People Club committee meeting.

## 15. COMMUNICATION

### a) Village News Letter – Dec/Jan Edition

The Chairman to write the Christmas message for the Parish Council by 10<sup>th</sup> Nov. The Clerk to send some bullet points for inclusion.

**Action Cllr Kenton and Sarah Wells**

### b) Mercury Report

Provision of bins and Pond

### c) Web Site

As above

## 16. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

**Dates for 2009** - Finance meeting 30<sup>th</sup> Nov

Ordinary Mon 7<sup>th</sup> Dec

### Dates for 2010

Mon 11 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Mon 1 <sup>st</sup> Feb	Mon 1 <sup>st</sup> Mar	Mon 12 <sup>th</sup> April (1st Mon Easter)
Mon 10 <sup>th</sup> May	Wed 26 <sup>th</sup> May Annual Parish		Mon 7 <sup>th</sup> Jun
Mon 5 <sup>th</sup> Jul	Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Mon 4 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Mon 1 <sup>st</sup> Nov
			Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> Dec

The meeting closed at 8.45pm