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MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD on MONDAY, 5TH FEBRUARY 2007 IN THE VILLAGE CENTRE

Present:

Cllr. E. Crafter
Cllr R. Hart
Cllr. R. Martin
Cllr. R. Radford

Cllr. J Crick
Cllr. J. Malzer
Cllr. B. Page - Chairman
Cllr. J. Sanger

In Attendance:

Mrs. D.B. Jones – Clerk

County Councillor Richard Parry and District Councillor Williamson

Mr M. Stevens & 2 members of the public

1. **Apologies**

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Cllr. A. Hildrew

2. **Declarations of interest on items on the agenda**

There were none.

3. **Minutes:**

The Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday, 8th January 2007 were approved and signed as a true record.

4. **Clerks Report:**

- a) Following last month's meeting detailed information about highway problems on Rushmore Hill was sent to the Clerk and passed onto the highways department.
- b) Our PCSO has warned that a man claiming to be deaf is going door to door trying to sell pictures – he says he needs the money for an operation. Parishioners should be warned not to buy – an item will be put in the next newsletter.
- c) There is a new co-ordinator for Speedwatch – no details are known yet.
- d) Updates for 'Working with your Council' are now available – these will be purchased.
- e) Jennifer Shaw has asked if the Council has reconsidered affordable housing now that the SDC Interim Housing Plan cannot take immediate effect.

5. **Correspondence:**

- a) KAPC News
- b) Planning Information Day
- c) Information leaflets from Kent Highways
- d) A letter from Cluttons - to be considered by the Sports Committee

6. **RFO's Report:**

6.1	Resolved: the accounts as itemised be paid:		
	100309	EDF Lamp repairs	£ 64.04
	100310	J.Crick - Service of brushcutter, travel expenses	£106.30
	100311	SLCC updates	£ 19.50
Total			<u>£189.84</u>

7. **Committee Reports:**

7.1 **Amenities:**

The minutes of the meeting of 31st January were accepted. The Clerk had received amended quotations for the grass cutting contract. After discussion it was

Proposed: the quotation from Sencio be accepted

This was agreed by a unanimous vote.

It was agreed that it would be a good idea to have a skip so that rubbish around the football pitch and the recreation ground can be removed. Cllrs. Malzer & Crick will explore the issues around this.

A stile on the North Downs Way needs repair – Cllr. Crick will deal with this. The light on the path between Bond Close and Main Road is still not working properly – the Clerk will ring highways.

There is a small tree down at Letts Green pond – this will be dealt with. There are two trees down on footpath SK692 PROW have been informed. There has been some fly tipping on Rushmore Hill – the Clerk will report this to Bromley Council.

7.2 **Planning & Transportation:**

The minutes of the planning meeting of 31st January were accepted.

7.3. **Publicity & Media:**

More articles are needed for the February newsletter – as soon as possible.

7.4. **Sports & Leisure:**

A meeting to discuss possible drainage schemes for the football pitch will be held as soon as all the relevant details have been obtained.

8. **Fort Halstead**

District Councillor Williamson spoke to the meeting about Fort Halstead. He talked about Hines' aspirations for the site and some of the matters which have yet to be addressed. He will update the Council as and when new information becomes available. The Council will write to Michael Fallon to express its concerns.

9. **Police:**

During the last month there were two burglaries other than dwellings, one burglary at a dwelling, damage to a vehicle – mirror unit removed and a parked car was hit by a vehicle travelling at high speed. Another Speedwatch will be carried out on January 31st. There was discussion about the possible use of a flashing speed indicator device. Councillor Parry

10. **Date and format of Annual Parish meeting**

The Thursday 19th April was suggested this will be confirmed subject to the village centre being available.

Dennis Glasspool and Andy Blackmore should be invited as they had had no opportunity to talk about crime prevention at last year's parish meeting. The Chairman suggested that he should give a general report on the

Council's activities during the past year – committee chairmen are asked to give details of items they wish to be included.

11. **Information Items**

There were none.

Date Of Next Meeting: Monday, March 5th 2007 at 7.45 p.m. in the Village Centre

The meeting closed at 9.05 p.m.

Councillor Parry made the council aware of the possibility of a KCC Community Grant. The Clerk will ask for the requisite forms.