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## MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD on MONDAY, NOVEMBER 5<sup>TH</sup> 2007 IN THE VILLAGE CENTRE

### Present:

Cllr. N. Apps	Cllr. T. Broadhurst
Cllr. E. Crafter	Cllr. A. Hildrew
Cllr. J. Malzer	Cllr. R. Martin
Cllr. B. Page - Chairman	Cllr. R. Radford

### In Attendance:

Mrs. D.B. Jones – Clerk  
Dist. Cllr. Williamson, Mr M. Stevens, Mr J. Crick & 1 member of the public

### 1. Apologies

There were no apologies for absence.

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

There were none.

### 3. Minutes:

The Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday, 1st October were approved and signed as a true record.

### 4. Clerks Report:

- a) There has been a request from the Bowls Club re parking for an event at the club.
- b) The hedge at Shelleys/Main Road has now been cut.
- c) The lampposts are definitely to be painted in 2008.

### 5. Correspondence:

- a) Parish News KAPC
- b) Clerk & Councils Direct

### 6. RFO's Report:

#### 6.1 Payments made since the last meeting

100359	Sencio	Mowing	£328.62
100360	SLCC	Conference fee	£ 47.00

#### 6.2 **Resolved:** the accounts as itemised be paid:

100361	EDF	Repairs to street lamp	£ 31.76
100362	KCC	Work party Letts Green Pond	£205 63
100363	Sencio	Mowing	£328.62
100364	Christmas Goodwill Fund	S137 Donation	£150.00

100365	Royal British Legion	Wreath & S137 Donation	£100.00	
:	100366	EDF	Repairs to street lamp	<u>£ 30.49</u>

Total			<u>£1,222.12</u>
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6.3. Quarterly Report – this was accepted.

7. **Committee Reports:**

7.1 **Amenities:**

The minutes of the meeting of 30<sup>th</sup> October were received and accepted following corrections to budget figures – hedging £1000, Speedwatch £150.

**Resolved:** The proposed new terms and conditions for use of The Pound and the Recreation Ground should be accepted with the addition of the words ‘public liability’ added before ‘insurance’. A copy will be sent to the carnival committee.

7.2 **Planning & Transportation:**

The minutes of the meeting of 30<sup>th</sup> October were received and accepted. A copy of a letter from SDC to a resident was received. It stated that VOSPA will investigate the traffic of skip lorries in Deerleap Lane.

Cllr Martin had attended a meeting about Transportation at SDC. A lack of synchronisation of bus services with trains had been noted and the day was felt to be useful and wide ranging.

7.3. **Publicity & Media:**

Only one article has yet been received for the newsletter.

7.4. **Sports & Leisure:**

It was agreed that a letter should be sent to Cluttons asking if the council can purchase the Recreation Ground.

**Resolved:** The proposed licence fee of £400 for the cricket club be agreed.

Cllrs. Broadhurst and Radford had attended an SDC meeting on Open Spaces and the LDF. A questionnaire about allotments will be sent out – these being the only facility found to be lacking in Knockholt.

8. **Police:**

Two criminal incidents were reported in October – a theft from a motor vehicle in Burlings Lane and a theft from a shed in Burlings Lane. Over the past year there have been 29 recorded incidents, 13 burglaries, 9 thefts of, or from, motor vehicles, 4 incidents of criminal damage and 3 thefts. Kent police has one of the best records in the S.E. apart from robbery.

9. **PCSO:**

The motion ‘This council agrees to continue to contribute to the funding of a PCSO for Knockholt & Halstead’ was carried by 8 votes to 1.

10. **SID**

Cllr. Page reported having had two calls today about cars speeding through the village. It was agreed that, subject to terms and conditions being drawn up for their consideration, the device could be shared with Halstead Parish Council.

11. **Fort Halstead Working Group**

The notes of the meeting of the group held on October 11th had been circulated. A meeting of the working group with Simon O’Donnell of Hines has been arranged for the 26<sup>th</sup> November and meetings for all councillors of Knockholt, Halstead, Shoreham, Chevening, Riverhead and Dunton Green have been arranged for Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup>.

12. **Road Works**

These now seem to be coming to an end – the clerk will check that all areas used have been made good.

13. **Chairman's Drinks**

These will be at The Crown on the 10<sup>th</sup> December.

14. **Information Items**

The Clerk will try, yet again, to get in-formation about waste disposal from KCC.

Road works

**Date Of Next Meeting:** Monday, December 3rd at 7.45 p.m. in the Village Centre