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MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD on MONDAY, 11th SEPTEMBER 2006 IN THE VILLAGE CENTRE

Present:

Cllr. E. Crafter
Cllr. A. Hildrew
Cllr. R. Radford

Cllr. J Crick
Cllr. B. Page - Chairman

In Attendance:

Mrs. D.B. Jones – Clerk
Mr M. Stevens

1. **Apologies**

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Cllrs. R. Hart, J. Malzer, R. Martin and J. Sanger. Dist. Cllr. Williamson also sent apologies.

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

There were none.

3. **Minutes:**

The Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday, August 7th 2006 were approved and signed as a true record.

4. **Clerks Report:**

- a) Mr Stubbs was adamant that the family would only wish to have a bench on the old recreation ground as it was opposite his mother's shop. If the council cannot agree to this the offer is withdrawn. After some discussion, it was agreed that a bench at the rear of the Pound facing the old 'shop' and adjacent to the hedge would be offered to the family.
- b) The lamppost damaged as a result of a lorry bringing down carnival bunting has been repaired
- c) The land the Village centre is built on is now registered to the Parish Council and the title deed has been sent to the solicitors for safe keeping.
- d) Last month's spreadsheet has been returned from Kent Highways – no definite information was received about any action to be taken.
- e) KAPC and Action with Communities in Rural Kent have been contacted with regard to the Village Centre proposals and more information is awaited. This will then be an item on the next agenda.
- f) A letter from Landscape Services suggests that 3 additional cuts to grass will be needed this year The Clerk needs to let them know this week if we wish these done and it was agreed that they will be necessary.

5. **Correspondence:**

- a) Letter re 'Local Environment quality – a town and parish council guide'
- b) Letter re Parish Council elections 2007
- c) Letter from Kent Highways re "Circular 1/2006 "Setting Local Speed Limits"

- d) Action with Communities in Rural Kent – newsletter and information re Parish Plan Grants
- e) Funding for Parish Plans

6.. **RFO's Report:**

6.1 **Resolved:** the accounts as itemised be paid:

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| 100279 | Mister Print | Newsletter | £ 160.00 |
| 100280 | EDF Energy | Repair to Lamp | £ 306 02 |
| 100281 | Mrs D. Jones | Expenses | £ 9.45 |
| 100282 | Kent Police | PCSO salary | <u>£1,561.30</u> |
| Total | | | <u>£2,036.77</u> |

6.2 Monies received:
Mrs Kirkham Hire of The Pound (August) £30.00

6.3. The Audit of accounts for 2005/6 has been successfully completed.

Committee Reports:

7.1 **Amenities:**

Cllr. Crick reported that he had been up to do some tidying at Letts Green. It was agreed that daffodil bulbs to the value of £20 could be bought for planting up there. He had also used the brush cutter around the Bowls Club area. The vertidrainning and sanding of the football pitch has now been carried out. The junior football club have put up new goal posts and have repaired the old roller that was at the side of the pitch. There is a new Public Rights of Way Officer – Nicki Briddal. The Clerk will check with EDF when the lampposts are due for repainting.

7.2 **Planning & Transportation:**

The minutes of the meetings of 13th July and 24th August were accepted as a true record.

7.3. **Publicity & Media:**

Cllr Hildrew commented unfavourably on the style and presentation of the last newsletter. No comments have been received from parishioners.

7.4. **Sports & Leisure:**

The minutes of the meeting of 31st August were accepted as a true record.

Resolved: The Junior football club be given a 5 year licence for use of the football pitch. The licence fee to be £550 for the first year and to increase in line with the rpi.

8. **Police:**

There was only one reported crime – artifice burglary at a house on Rushmore Hill.

9. **Mini – motorbikes**

There have been complaints in the village abut these. In particular there has been considerable noise from bikes being ridden in the field belonging to The Harrow. The brewery has been contacted about this.

10. **Information Items**

Village Centre Redevelopment

Date Of Next Meeting: Monday, 2nd October 2006 at 7.45 p.m. in the Village Centre

The meeting was closed at 8.48 p.m.