

HALSTEAD PARISH COUN

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 12 PAVILION, STATION ROAD, HALSTEAD

PRESENT: Cllr. David Taylor, Chairman
Cllr. Jeff Baldwin
Cllr. Sheila Bent
Cllr. Barrie Blundell

IN ATTENDANCE: Clerk, District Cllr. John Grint, District Cllr. Gary Williamson, 4 parishic

The meeting convened at 19.47

1 APOLOGIES were received from Cllr. Terry Brooker who had business commitment commitments and Cllr. Karen Grosvenor whose husband was unwell. Councillors pres

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ON AGENDA ITEMS - Nil

3 RESOLVED: The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 13 Fe Signed as a True Record.

4 FINANCE

4.1 RESOLVED: That the Accounts as itemised be paid

Proposed by **Cllr. Baldwin, seconded by Cllr. Blundell** and carried unanimously

Payments include VAT where relevant.

CQ260	BT account		£ 114.21
CQ261	British Gas, Pavilion	£ 42.66	
CQ261	British Gas, Parish Room	<u>£ 48.27</u>	£ 90.93
CQ262	SDC Freighter Service, February 2012		£ 225.60
CQ263	Arborconcepts, pollarding limes Church Road		£ 230.00
CQ264	PJ Garden Services, 10 th cut, mowing & strimming		£ 180.00
CQ265	7Oaks Electrical, electrical test sockets, Pavilion kitchen		£ 50.00
CQ266	Falvey & Brown Fencing, Station Road/Recreation ground		£ 108.00
CQ267	Thames Water, Parish Room		£ 158.05
CQ268	Viridor, refuse collection Pavilion, February		£ 33.56
CQ269	SLCC Regional members conference		£ 78.00
CQ270	Gerald Brooks, hedge cutting		£ 360.00
CQ271	Alister Tulett, callout boiler Pavilion		£ 72.00
CQ272	Bullfinch Ltd, Jubilee beacon		£ 307.80
CQ273	KALC Planning course, Cllr. Grosvenor		£ 72.00
CQ276	<u>Clerk's expenses incurred while carrying out her duties:</u>		
	Internet, monthly allowance	£ 16.66	
	Postage	£ 16.56	
	Software, website 1&1	£ 35.93	

V1081	Keston Dog Agility Club, Pavilion (Inv 69)	£ 25.50
V1082	Mrs Airey, Pavilion (Inv 75)	£ 70.00
V1082	Mrs Stevens, Parish Room, (Inv 76)	£ 21.25
V1083	Ms Summers, Parish Room (Inv 77)	£ 78.00
Credit	Sencio Leisure	<u>£ 204.00</u>
	TOTAL RECEIPTS as at 12 March 2012	£ 605.75

5 **DISTRICT COUNCILLORS' REPORT**

District Councillor Grint tendered his apologies for missing several meeting of Council attending the JTB Meeting when parking in London/Sevenoaks Road would be discussed. District Councillor Williamson tendered his apologies for missing several meeting of Council. A letter from Network Rail had written to Kent Highways & Transportation in relation to the v Hill. A copy of the letter will be passed to Council.

Les Jones SDC Arboriculturist had visited Watercrofts Wood as the new owner had written to Cllr. Williamson will arrange for a copy of his report to be provided for Council.

6 **CLERK'S REPORT**

6.1 Police: 5 incidents for February

1 x theft motor vehicle, 1 x attempted theft BT cables, 2 x attempted thefts sheds, 1 x l

6.2 Annual Parish Meeting speaker

It was agreed to invite Jean Peel, Chairman of the Jubilee Committee; a member of Ke

6.3 Rural Community of the Year Competition

It was decided not to enter this year.

6.4 Fencing Recreation Ground

The fence has been replaced at the corner of the Recreation Ground and Station Road. reported to Police.

6.5 Council's request that District Councillors Grint and Williamson only serve Halstead ;

Response received from Mr Ian Bigwood, SDC. Explanation shows that to alter the ra to the Boundary Commission.

6.6 Kent Men of Trees Competition

It was decided to pay £10 to enter the competition

6.7 Rural Homes in Sevenoaks District

The policy document is being circulated. Please return master copy to the Clerk.

6.8 Village Clear Up

Date agreed for Saturday 14 April, 9.30 at the Pavilion.

6.9 VSU Youth Action Bus

This will visit Halstead on Wednesday 3 April and be on the Recreation Ground from Council but a charge to parents of £2.50 per child. The bus will visit again in August. It was agreed to discuss provision of a donation to the VSU for this service at the next

8 AMENITIES & HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE

8.1 **The Minutes of the Amenities & Highways Committee held on Monday 5 March : True Record**

8.2 Tree works - Recreation Ground.

Quotations had been received from AJM Trees £475; Arborconcepts £620; Touch Tree Cllr. Baldwin proposed that the quotation from AJM Trees be accepted, seconded by C against Cllr. Bent.

RESOLVED: that the quotation from AJM Trees in the sum of £475 should be ac

8.3 Introduction of yellow lineage - crossroads of Knockholt, Otford and Church Roads ar The draft proposal was discussed. Council agreed that there should not be a yellow line line in Otford Road should be expended down to the end of the frontage of Orchard Gr A consultation will be carried out by Sevenoaks District Council and parishioners will

8.4 Speed Indicator Displays

The SID in Station Road will be solar powered and installed in the near future. The site has yet to be agreed. Both SIDs are being funded by County Cllr. Richard Parry.

8.5 Allotments

It had been agreed to source quotations for land clearance and fencing.

Number of plots cannot be agreed until all the land is cleared.

Parishioners are asked to register their interest in renting a plot.

Cllr. Williamson was asked to contact Mr Grove, SDC Legal Department to ascertain v Council stressed that the transfer had already been agreed by District Councillors and I

20.52 SO1c The Chairman adjourned the meeting for Mr Bowen to speak about water

20.56 The Chairman reconvened the meeting

Cllr. Taylor will prepare an article on the allotments to go in the March newsletter.

8.6 Parking Sevenoaks/London Road, JTB meeting

Cllrs. Taylor and Baldwin will attend, and Cllr. Taylor speak if required.

9 SOCIAL MEDIA

It was agreed that Council had no wish to become involved with Twitter, Facebook and

10 KCC DEVELOPMENT AND INFRASTRUCTURE, CREATING QUALITY PL

The Clerk will re-send these documents and councillors were asked to provide the Cler The Chairman stated that he believed the Clerk should return to circulating consultatio

11 QUEEN ELIZABETH II DIAMOND JUBILEE CELEBRATION

It was noted that a remark was recorded in the minutes that the Parish Council might u of the events. The Clerk has not received any communication regarding this.

12 INFORMATION

12.1 SDC Community Infrastructure Levy - *agenda item April meeting*

12.2 Allocation of pitches KCC Gypsy and Traveller site - consultation - **noted**

12.3 CPRE AGM 9 June 10 30am Farningham Village Hall - **noted**