

## BOBBING PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting held 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2013 in Bobbing Village Hall at 7.50pm

### MINUTES

**Present:** Cllr. Herbert (Chairman), Cllr's Ball, Dewar-Whalley, Major, Johnson, Nappey, Richardson, Stammers and Wright.

Clerk: Mrs S Crawford.

There were 2 members of the public in attendance.

**1.0 Apologies:** Cllr Randall.

**2.0 Minutes:** The minutes of the previous meeting were amended at 7.0 Cllr Nappey to read 'the overhanging gardens' and not roundabout' agreed to be a true record and were signed accordingly.

**3.0 Public Session:**  
Nothing to discuss.

**4.0 Declarations of Interest:**  
None declared.

**5.0 Chairman's Report and Matters Arising:**

5.1 The archaeologists are still on site at The Meads and it was thought that an invite to Simon Mason in order for him to expand on the part Bobbing and Swale played. This will be for the next meeting if he is available. Cllr Dewar-Whalley asked for this to be put in the paper but he is conscious that it will form part of the parish council meeting so another open meeting may be needed.

5.2 Matters arising – parking on Sonora Way was worse and there have been reports of coaches using the Jenny Wren pub to drop off and collect student exchanges. The organiser says that permission has been granted but the pub says not. The use of Velum Way was also discussed. Parking photos are still to be forwarded to Cllr Dewar-Whalley.

5.3 Rubbish in the attenuation ponds in The Meads is to be reported to Graeme Tuff for clearance.

**6.0 Clerks Report and Correspondence Received:**

6.1 Parish Council Allowances – new allowances from April – if anyone wishes to claim them then please see the clerk.

6.2 Subscription to KALC £574.87 – This was proposed by Cllr Nappey and seconded by Cllr Ball.

6.3 Clearways – logged on Highways now so Steve Darling should be investigating

6.4 I requested SBC volunteers to litter pick or paint the hall – no response as yet.

6.5 Sittingbourne Rural Forum Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> May 7pm Hernhill Village Hall ME13 9JX

6.6 Parish Council Insurance Renewal – Aon (Allianz) or new quote Eclipse Parish & Community Council Package of £566.55. After discussion it was unanimously agreed to go with Aon.

6.7 PROW- vegetation clearance. A new map was given which showed very little vegetation clearance due to budget restraints. The parish council is able to fund more cuts at a competitive cost.

**7.0 Councillors Reports:**

**Cllr Major:** Commented on the boot fair in Rainham and parked cars were slowing traffic and traffic enforcement officers were giving out tickets. It's a shame Swale doesn't do this.

**Cllr Richardson:** A noticeboard would be welcome outside the shops and asked about dog bins: more on the estate would be welcome. Cllr Dewar-Whalley will investigate costs and for emptying.

**Cllr Johnson:** Attended the Speedwatch course recently and it asked if it would be ok for him to approach Iwade parish council and ask if they would share their kit in return for volunteers as they are lacking these. The council were happy for this to be done. Motorists are prosecuted if they are caught three times. It is thought we may be having a different or new PCSO. It was thought this could be an advantage.

**Cllr Wright:** Commented that as Alun Millard from Swale agreed that Rooks Lane junction is a substandard junction that we should complain and request something is done. The clerk will contact him. Also Demelza House parking is getting to be an obstruction. The clerk will contact them asking about their car park.

**Cllr Ball:** Informed council that our oldest resident (as far as we know) at 101 has recently died just shy of her 102 birthday. Also complained about the rubbish bin in the lay-by near the post box is in appalling state. The clerk will contact Swale. Cllr Ball urged councillors to look at the census on line. It makes for interesting reading covering areas such as average ages in certain areas. Information is also available on KCC website.

**Cllr Herbert:** Asked the clerk to contact the fire service for a fire hydrant map of the parish as highlighted in the recent KALC parish news.

## **8.0 Planning Applications and Notifications:**

8.1 To consider new planning applications:

SW/13/0411 Case 19371 Chalet bungalow on land rear of 246 London Road. No comments to be made.

8.2 Planning Notifications:

SW/13/0131 Case 11895 McDonalds Restaurants has been granted permission to re-align their car park for new order point

SW/13/0132 Case 11895 McDonalds Restaurants has been granted permission to alter their signage for the above.

## **9.0 Finance:**

9.1 To resolve to write cheques for the following:-

AON UK Ltd	£ 510.13	Cheque No 100361
KALC	£ 574.87	Cheque No 100362
Mr A Swain (nicenstripy)	£ 150.00	Cheque No 100363

9.2 VAT refund of £678.05 has been received.

9.3 Precept f £ 6138 has been received.

9.4 Audit. The clerk presented the annual audit and asked if there were any questions arising from it. The annual governance statement was competed and approved unanimously by councillors. The clerk and chair both signed the audit. The legal notice has been displayed for parishioners to inspect the accounts.

## **10.0 Other Matters Arising:**

None.

**Meeting closed at 9.05pm.**

**The next parish council meeting will be held on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2013 in Bobbing Village Hall at 7.30pm.**

These minutes are certified to be a true and just record.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_