

BOBBING PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held on Wednesday 6th August, 2014

<u>Present:</u>	Cllr. G. Herbert - Chair	Lynda Fisher, Clerk
	Cllr. R. Ball – Vice-Chair	County Cllr. Mike Baldock
	Cllr. L. Major	Nick Mayatt, Community Warden
	Cllr. P. Paige	5 Residents

1. Welcome and Apologies for Absence

The Chair formally welcomed everyone. Apologies were received from Cllrs. Dewar-Whalley, Wright, Johnson and Richardson and the PCSO.

2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The Minutes of the meeting held on the 2nd July, 2014, were agreed and signed as a true transcript.

3. Public Session

Nick Mayatt's report was circulated to Members; he apologised for its brevity due to being away for one week and in charge of the Swale Warden Scheme for a period of time. He has reported road side car selling issues to Trading Standards and suggests yellow lines in the areas affected.

He advised that the PCSO is going to look at the parking outside the school; Keycol Hill and Bobbing Hill. Cllr. Major referred back to the flyers that were being circulated to householders in the Keycol Hill area regarding parking; the PCSO has been catching offenders but it does help if residents ring 101.

County Cllr. Baldock has had a meeting at Gore Court and a number of people attended from Bobbing. He is going to try and get double yellow lines around Hilton Drive where it narrows on the corner. He has received numerous complaints about signage from the car wash down on Key Street. He also advised that Swale Borough Council is going to put some hatching so that the dropped kerb on the Gore Court Cricket field is used properly.

4. Declarations of Interest – None.

5. Matters Arising from the Minutes and Last Month's Meeting

1. **Parking on Railway Bridge and obstruction of Fire Hydrant** – Bollards will be installed on the verges to stop this practice.

2. **Bobbing in Bloom and WW1 Commemorative Collaboration with the Church**– In the absence of Cllr. Wright to be deferred till September meeting. **Action: Cllr. Wright/Clerk**

3. **Pedestrian Bridge across Railway Line** – A letter has been received from Gordon Henderson, M.P., who is pushing for the crossing. Cllr. Paige has sent correspondence to the developers of The Watermark but has had no response; he will push again. **Action: Cllr. Paige**

4. **Amey Traffic Survey, Sheppey Way** – A meeting was held on the 21st July to discuss parking and reducing the speed limit; unfortunately the Police did not attend. Alun Millard, Development Planner at Kent County Council is going to discuss this with his colleague Steve Darling. Members asked the Clerk to push Kent County Council for a response to the various suggestions put forward and report back to the September meeting. **Action: County Cllr. Baldock/Clerk**

5. **Land at the bottom of Keycol Hill/Bobbing Hill – Ownership** – On the 21st July the Parish Council, KCC and one of Gordon Henderson M.P's case workers visited the site. Parish Councillors informed of the problem with parking in both these roads and put forward the suggestion to transform part of the land owned by KCC (includes one section owned by the Highways Authority but maintained KCC) into a car park for residents. Alun Millard from KCC appeared to support the proposal and is going to look into it. Cllr. Ball also suggested 'rumble strips' to slow traffic coming down Keycol Hill to the roundabout and asked if the vegetation adjacent to the A249 exit slip road could be cut back as it obscures the vision of drivers waiting at the junction to enter the roundabout from Bobbing Hill. Clerk to push KCC for an update on the suggestions put forward. **Action: Clerk**

6. **Councillors' Report** – Nothing further to report.

7. **Correspondence**

1. **Kent Minerals & Waste Local Plan (MWLP) 2013-30: Submission Document Consultation – 31 July to 12 September 2014** – Document noted; the Parish Council has already put forward its observations and has nothing further to add.
2. **Supporting Swale's Town and Parish Councils** – Document from Swale Borough Council requesting comments on various questions raised noted; Clerk to re-issue e-mail to all Members and then collect and collate their responses. **Action: All Members/Clerk**
3. **Proposed diversion of Public Footpath ZR105 (part), Bobbing** – A vote was taken on this proposal resulting in 1 abstention, 2 against and 1 for; it was therefore agreed to object to the proposed diversion. **Action: Clerk**

8. **Planning**

Current applications: None

Determined applications: None.

9. **Finance**

1. **KALC Training – Councillors and Leadership Conference – 12th September** – Noted.
2. **Society of Local Council Clerks** – Agreed to contribute one quarter of the Membership Fee for 2014/15; which amounts to £41.15p. **Action: Clerk**
3. **Cheques raised at this meeting** - The accounts to the 31st July, 2014, were agreed and the following cheques were agreed and signed -

Date	Cheque	Details		Amount
06.08.14	0413	L. Fisher	Expenses July 2014 –Telephone, Use of Office, Meeting Refreshments (July),	£11.83p
06.08.14	0414	H.M. Revenue & Custom	Tax due July 2014	£44.20p
06.08.14	0415	William Giles	Quarterly Payroll preparation	£54.00p
06.08.14	0416	Steve Wakeling	Clearing bottom of Bobbing Hill, monthly grass cutting and installation of new Noticeboard	£320.00p
06.08.14	0417	Steve Wakeling	Monthly grass cutting July	£100.00p
Five Cheques in total				

Payment by Standing Order: Wages - £176.27p - salary July, 2014

10. **Any Other Matters Arising**

1. Clerk advised thank you letters have been received from the Women's Institute and the 10th Sittingbourne Scout in respect of the Parish Council's donations.
2. A letter has been received from Solar Securities, responding to the various objections raised by the Parish Council and seeking a meeting; Members felt that this was not necessary. Clerk instructed to write to Swale Borough Council stating that our objections still stand. **Action: Clerk**

3. Cllr. Ball commented that the new Health Centre on Sonora Fields is now due to open mid-January, 2015.
4. Clerk instructed to write to Swale Borough Council asking what road names were chosen for the new Watermark development. **Action: Clerk**

11. Next Meeting(s)

The next monthly Meeting will take place on Friday 12th September, 2014, commencing at 7.30 p.m. in Bobbing Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 09.35 p.m.

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

Signed: _____ Date: _____