

BOBBING PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting held 4th April 2007 in Bobbing Village Hall at 7.30pm

MINUTES

Present: Cllr. Herbert (Chairman), Cllr's Ball, Dewar-Whalley, Major, Nappey, Edwards, Stowe and Wileman.

Clerk: Mrs S Crawford

Ward Councillor Randall and Labour Rep Mike attended.

1.0 Apologies: Cllr Bullen.

2.0 Minutes: The minutes of the previous meetings were agreed to be a true record and signed accordingly.

3.0 Public Session:
No issues needed to be discussed.

4.0 Declarations of Interest:
None declared.

5.0 Chairman's Report and Matters Arising:

5.1 The chair had received minutes from Sittingbourne & Swale West Area Forum.

5.2 The chair had received information regarding the Sittingbourne Residents Parking Scheme.

5.3 The chairman had drafted another Bobbing Reported newsletter which was read by council and approved with few amendments. Cllr Dewar-Whalley thanked the chair for his work on this. This will be copied and distributed by councillors.

5.4 The chairman hoped that all nomination papers had been taken to Swale for the forthcoming election. Cllr Dewar Whalley informed council that he is to stand for Grove Ward.

6.0 Clerks Report and Correspondence Received:

6.1 Village Sign. Another quote is to be obtained regarding the village sign.

6.2 KAPC – It was decided to renew the annual subscription to KAPC.

6.3 Partial Review of SE Plan Revised apportionment of Primary Land –Won aggregates.

6.4 KCC – heritage discovery talk. Details will be kept for a future talk.

6.5 Local Crime Community Sentence talk? Again details will be kept for the future.

6.6 Subsidiarity – earmark £3620. After much discussion regarding projects in Bobbing it was felt that issues in the Bobbing Hill area needed this funding.

6.7 KAPC Parish news was received.

6.8 details of the appointment of external auditor were received.

6.9 Kent Police – shed crime info received.

6.10 Our agreement with EIS regarding the website needed renewing. This was agreed.

6.11 Some Councillors and the clerk had attended a site meeting with Stephen Huckle of KCC Highways to discuss the traveller problem. Mr Daynes and a colleague also attended. This was informative although only one option was available to us being a stopping up order. Mr Huckle will cost this more thoroughly and it was proposed by Cllr Dewar-Whalley with Cllr Wileman seconding to progress this option.

7.0 Councillors Reports:

Cllr Dewar Whalley: The desired line footpath had been started but the workmen had caused obstruction and problems when parking on the double yellow lines at the bottom of Bobbing Hill. Questions were raised regarding the risk assessments taken for this work.

Cllr Wileman: Had completed nomination forms but when he moves will not be serving on the council.

Cllr Nappey: Had attended the planning meeting regarding the Marshgate site. This had been given permission.

Cllr Ball: Reported the well had still not had the cover replaced. The clerk had chased this issue. It was felt that this outcome was disappointing but council had done everything to get it replaced. The clerk was asked to chase the road sign at Bobbing Hill which she will do. It has been given a number by Highways which meant it was pending. Cllr Ball felt that the mix up with nomination papers from Swale was incompetent.

Cllr Major: Had discovered that the land at the bottom of Keycol Hill is owned by Swale Borough Council. When the time comes for this to be cut back, this should be done by Swale. At the next KAPC meeting there should be a talk on the new recycling scheme. Cllr Randall spoke about the scheme and its implications.

Cllr Stowe: Reported that Bobbing in Bloom information will be given at the next months meeting.

Cllr Edwards: Reported that the parking at Bobbing Hill is getting worse but it was felt not much more could be done. Cllr Edwards reported that the planning application for the bottom of Bobbing Hill had been withdrawn as officers had recommended refusal. This was discussed in detail and council awaits further plans.

8.0 Planning Applications and Notifications:

8.1 To consider new planning applications:

SW/07/0217 Case 13724 Continued use of farm shop at Bassar Hill Farm Iwade. No objections were made.

SW/07/0297 Case 13502 Change of use and extension of building to provide B1 office space with ancillary parking at Cambray Works, Stickfast Land Bobbing. No objections were made.

8.2 Planning Notifications.

None were received.

9.0 Finance:

9.1 It was resolved to write cheques for the following:

KAPC (annual subs)	£485.86
Allianz Cornhill (Insurance)	£385.98

10.0 Other Matters Arising:

Date of the next meeting is 2nd May 2007 which will be the AGM, annual parish meeting and monthly parish meeting at 7.30pm in Bobbing Village Hall.

Meeting closed at 9.20pm

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

Signed: _____

Date: _____