

## BOBBING PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting held 6<sup>th</sup> October 2010 in Bobbing Village Hall at 7.30pm

### MINUTES

**Present:** Cllr. Herbert (chairman), Cllr's Ball, Bennett, Major, Nappey and Stowe.

Clerk: Mrs S Crawford.

Peter Speakman from Swale Borough Council attended.

Four members of the public were in attendance.

**1.0 Apologies:** Cllr's Edwards, Dewar-Whalley and Bullen.

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

Peter Speakman attended regarding the proposed new hall on The Meads. He was to have been accompanied by Cllr Morris and Cllr Dewar-Whalley but they had another meeting to attend. He gave background details regarding the hall and the progress made to date. The crucial factor is funding and whether this hall will be run by interested people. It would be too costly for Swale to run the hall. Planning permission should be submitted by November and it is hoped completion by 2010. Swale CVS are meeting with interested parties to try to get some form of management together. Lots of discussion followed including speculation on Watermark assisting with the building costs if it was to be on the same side of Staplehurst Road as them. Mr Speakman was thanked for attending.

**3.0 Public Session:**

The donation request for the carnival court was raised and the clerk apologised for the letter not reaching the person concerned but we are not able to donate to this particular cause.

The roundabout on The Meads had been cut recently with thanks for Cllr Nappey who championed this cause.

**4.0 Declarations of Interest:**

None declared.

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

5.1 The copy of the newspaper report had been sent to the sign makers.

5.2 Cllr Ball had been due to attend the police meeting but it was cancelled on the morning of the meeting day which he felt was not acceptable. There are important changes taking place which should be discussed and explained to the public.

5.3 The clerk will chase again the coach company about the coaches occupying the lay-by all day.

**6.0 Clerks Report and Correspondence Received:**

6.1 Kent Highway Services- speed limit review Area final report was received although this will not be taken forward due to funding cuts.

6.2 SBC – affordable homes in the parish? After discussion it was decided not to pursue this.

6.3 KCC – Consultation on Doubleday Lodge with a meeting on 20<sup>th</sup> October.

6.4 Gordon Henderson – advice surgery dates received.

6.5 Audit Commission reply re high audit costs. This still feels unsatisfactory to the council.

6.6 KCC- Minerals & Waste issues consultation

6.7 ICO- acknowledgement of complaint

6.8 Age Concern wrote to request a donation to their Christmas celebrations. Cllr Major proposed £50 Cllr Nappey seconding with all in favour.

6.9 KALC parish news received.

6.10 The clerk had received a reply from Abbey Developments concerning the application for housing. This stated that densities are good for this type of development.

6.11 The clerk had received a call and e-mail from a firm of consultants working for Watermark who wish to put an application for housing on the Conqueror Court area. It was decided to invite them to our next meeting for a presentation.

**7.0 Councillors Reports:**

**Cllr Nappey:** The roundabout on the Meads had been cut quickly after various phone calls had been made. The police and KCC were involved and it is hoped this will now be regularly cut.

**Cllr Stowe:** Asked if anyone knew who had cut the Knotweed down along the Sheppey Way. It is believed it was the swathe cutting. The clerk will speak with Highways. Cllr Stowe has been trying to contact the PCSO and Cllr Nappey will pass this to her. The road problems with the roundabout at Iwade are causing concerns. If an inexperienced motorcyclist rode badly while a lorry was also in the area it could be fatal. The clerk will liase with Iwade Parish Clerk.

**Cllr Major:** Asked if the verges had been cut at Keycol Hill and they had been. The development of a car park for users in the area was discussed as there are several parking concerns about. It was thought the minuses were more than the pluses for this to be progressed.

**8.0 Planning Applications and Notifications:**

8.1 To consider new planning applications:

SW/10/1124 Case 05702 Retrospective planning for two internally illuminated signs at the garage 15 Key Street. Council wish to offer no comments.

SW/10/0959 Case 00537 Loft conversion including raising of the existing roof at 2 Meadow View Cottages, Bobbing Hill. Amended plans had been received which have removed the front velux window.

8.2 Planning Notices:

SW/10/0874 Case 15153 Alterations at Demelza has been granted permission.

SW/10/0925 Case 23916 Extension at 28 Rooks View has been granted permission

SW/10/1052 Refurbishment at McDonalds has been granted permission.

**9.0 Finance:**

9.1 To resolve to write cheques for the following:-

Mr A Swain grass cutting	£ 136.18
Bobbing Village Hall six months hire	£ 200.00
Mrs S Crawford Tel £40 Petty cash £116.39	£ 156.39
Age Concern	£ 50.00

9.2 Second part of precept received £5150.00

9.3 The chairman requested some money for bulb planting around the parish. Cllr Stowe proposed £50 seconded by Cllr Bennett with all in favour.

**10.0 Other Matters Arising:**

None.

**Meeting closed at 9.30pm**

**The next parish council meeting will be held on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2010 in Bobbing Village Hall at 7pm as the Bobbing in Bloom presentation will be held first.**

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

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

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