

## BOBBING PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting held 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2011 in Bobbing Village Hall at 7.30pm

### MINUTES

**Present:** Cllr. Herbert (chairman), Cllr's Ball, Bullen, Major, Nappey and Stowe.  
Clerk: Mrs S Crawford.

Nine members of the public attended.

**1.0 Apologies:** Cllr's Bennett and Dewar-Whalley.

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

The planning section of the meeting was brought forward as there were interested parishioners in attendance. Mr Brandreth from Lambert and Foster outlined the proposed plans for Howt Green Farm. The company supplying seasonal workers insist on the caravans being plumbed in and also on mains electric. This is the only reason for the planning application. He also gave a brief overview of the facilities there. Questions were asked regarding plumbing and sewage and all of these will be dealt with in the correct way. Various questions were raised that he didn't know the answers to so these will be forwarded to him for replies. He indicated that a clearly defined period of non occupancy would seem quite appropriate. The residents in attendance indicated a willingness to see permanent accommodation there rather than caravans. This will be explored by the clerk. After much discussion and question time Mr Brandreth was thanked for attending. Council felt that residents were against the planning application for various reasons – some not concerning planning. These will be raised with Swale Borough Council.

SW/11/0069 Case 23916 Erection of 1.8 reducing close boarded fence and dwarf brick wall at 28 Rooks View. After a presentation given by Mr P Freeman council had no objections to the planning application.

**3.0 Public Session:**  
Nothing else raised.

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

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

5.1 The chairman attended the planning training held at Swale which was well attended. The history of planning was given up to the present day. The notes from the session should be on the website and the clerk will forward this.

5.2 Cllr Stowe asked a few questions regarding the budget which were answered. The clerk will contact Sue Samson regarding the church lighting.

**6.0 Clerks Report and Correspondence Received:**

6.1 Highways- Court date for stopping up of Quinton Road is 7<sup>th</sup> Feb at Sitt Magistrates Court 2pm.

6.2 Swale- Pick your own – more info & CD. Views by 17<sup>th</sup> March 2011.

6.3 KALC Area minutes received

6.4 Do we wish to renew Clerks & Councils subscription? It was proposed by Cllr Nappey seconded by Cllr Ball with all in favour.

6.5 Costs for the grass cutting contract has been received by the clerk. Each visit will be £150 no VAT with monthly visits from March –June and every 6 weeks July-Nov. This was proposed by Cllr Ball seconded by Cllr Major with all in favour.

6.6 KALC Parish News received.

## 7.0 Councillors Reports:

**Cllr Bullen:** Complained about the amount of rubbish around the village. The clerk will contact Swale.

**Cllr Nappey;** Has spoken to Julie Blackmore of SCVS who are now taking over the new Meads hall progress. It was thought that no hand over has been done as they were asking what was needed in the new hall. She is attending the next meeting with Cllr Ball and is upset that 3 years work seems to have counted for nothing. Charlotte Hudson from Swale Borough Council is tasked with funding opportunities.

**Cllr Ball:** Had spoken to Mr Hinge regarding the unlawful siting of the 3 ponies on the land along the old Sheppey Way. The ponies on the Sheppey Way were thought to have been moved from Upchurch that were on land owned by Peel Holdings. It was thought that the land owners should place a notice demanding rent or the horses will be moved. He will also speak with them regarding the latest news. The parking of the school buses in the lay by is annoying parishioners. The clerk will chase both the bus company and Swale regarding yellow lines in this area. Cllr Ball asked about the ground clearance at the roundabout and hoped that highways will clear the Japanese Knotweed. The clerk will keep chasing Highways and Jacobs.

**Cllr Stowe:** Apologised for his e-mail rant concerning Cllr Randall's comments about getting rid of obsolete laws. He felt that this was a complete waste of time and progress should be made not looking back at past laws that are not relevant now.

## 8.0 Planning Applications and Notifications:

8.1 To consider new planning applications:

SW/10/1570 Case 19483 Increase in hardstanding area, soil bund and additional landscaping and provision of 16 seasonal workers caravans including hardstanding and parking at Howt Green Farm. This was bought forward.

8.2 Planning Notices:  
None received

The planning application to vary conditions at Ridham Dock Recycling facility will be heard at the planning meeting on 3<sup>rd</sup> February.

The Planning Inspector had sent his decision regarding the traveller plans at Edentop. He allowed the appeal with various conditions.

## 9.0 Finance:

9.1 To resolve to write cheques for the following:-

CommuniCorp (sub for Clerks & Councils Direct)	£44.00
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## 10.0 Other Matters Arising:

The clerk reported that Cllr Bennett will be absent for the next two meetings. She has sent apologies which council have accepted.

Cllr Ball asked about election costs as there was a figure missing on the budget. We do not know the expected costs and if they may arise.

**Meeting closed at 10pm**

**The next parish council meeting will be held on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2011 in Bobbing Village Hall at 7.30pm.**

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

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

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