

HIGH HALSTOW PARISH COUNCIL**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 9 NOVEMBER 2011
AT THE MEMORIAL HALL, THE STREET, HIGH HALSTOW AT 8.00 pm**

PRESENT:	Cllr George Crozer	
	Cllr Martin Andrews	
	Cllr Ray Collins	
	Cllr Josh Gordon	
	Cllr Mrs Lesley Munday	
	Cllr Gary Thomas	
	Cllr Mrs Christine Watson	
	Mrs Roxana Brammer	Clerk
In attendance	Cllr Tony Watson	Medway Council
	Mr Charles Crouch	Footpaths Officer
	Mr Johnny Robinson	Community Officer
	10 members of the public	

Item no		<i>Action point</i>
<i>Minute no 2011/12/</i>		

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

279 An apology for absence was received from

Cllr Gary Jerreat indisposed

It was proposed by Cllr Collins, seconded by Cllr Andrews and carried unanimously that this apology be accepted.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND MEMBERS' REGISTER OF INTERESTS

280 Cllrs Thomas and Mrs Munday declared personal interests in item 11a, Recreation Hall, as members of the Management Committee. Cllr Mrs Munday declared a personal interest in item 19, Relief in Need.

3 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 12 OCTOBER 2011

281 It was proposed by Cllr Collins, seconded by Cllr Gordon and agreed that the minutes of the meeting held on 12 October 2011 be signed as a true record, subject to the following amendment:

C/10/2011/9b(ii) minute 2011/12/248: final sentence: delete "new" and substitute "repair to the".

4 MATTERS ARISING

282 No matters were raised.

5 PLANNING

a Applications

- 283 **i MC/11/2683:** 59 The Street: Establishment of small office being a wooden summerhouse style structure to back garden. Usage will be low key. A new driveway and crossover id proposed to the front of the house.

No objection.

284 **Out of Time**

None.

285 **c Decisions**

None notified.

d Appeals and Other Matters

- 286 **i KCC Mineral and Waste Sites Development Plan – Supplementary Options Consultation**

Received.

- 287 **ii Network Rail Communications System – Proposed Mast beside Track**

Noted.

288 **e Licensing Applications**

None.

6 FINANCE

289 **a Bank Balances**

The bank balances as listed in Appendix B were noted.

290 **b Cheques Signed since the Last Meeting**

None.

291 **c Accounts for Payment**

It was proposed by Cllr Gordon, seconded by Cllr Thomas and agreed that the accounts for payment as listed in Appendix B be paid (cheques 100397-100402), with the addition of £490, Cousins Print & Design (100403); £64.61, reimbursement Dennis Follett for materials for work to signs (100404) and £45, Lesley Munday, reimbursement for refreshments from Chairman's allowance (100405).

7 GRANT APPLICATIONS

- 292 None.

8 MANAGEMENT OF THE COUNCIL'S LAND AND PROPERTY

a Recreation Ground

293 Medway Council had asked for use of the Recreation Ground on 24 May 2012 for secondary schools cricket and on 31 May for mini youth games cricket. This was agreed.

b Play Park

294 i. Renewal of surface under kick wall. Cllr Mrs Watson was waiting for a third quotation.

295 ii. RoSPA inspection. Cllr Mrs Watson was obtaining quotes for the work identified in the report.

296 **c Outdoor Gym**

Nothing further to report.

297 **d Allotments**

A compliment on the new fence was received from Mr Jones on behalf of the allotment holders.

298 **e Forge Common**

Nothing to report..

299 **f Village Grounds Maintenance**

Nothing to report.

9 HIGHWAYS & TRANSPORT

300 **a Public Rights of Way**

Nothing to report.

301 **b Street Cleaning**

Cllr Andrews would investigate the problem with glass in the gutter of Drayton Close.

302 **c Tree Warden**

Nothing to report.

303 **d Bus Shelters**

Cllr Thomas reported he had contacted a manufacturer about grants but this was only in the Kent County Council area and did not apply.

10 HALLS

304 **a Recreation Hall**

Cllr Thomas reported asbestos had been removed. A meeting with the architect and.

builder for evaluation had been scheduled. He had applied for several grants, but there had been a low success rate. Currently the work agreed was to the roof, back wall and new room. He wanted to include a repaint. The second phase would include the surgery and toilets. Phase 3 was for the kitchen, stairs and works to the stage. He said the Hall Committee may have to ask the Parish Council for more funding in case the budget overran.

305 **b Memorial Hall**

Nothing to report.

11 YOUTH

306 **a General Matters**

Nothing to report.

307 **b Skateboard Park**

Item deferred to next or a subsequent meeting.

12 RURAL LIAISON COMMITTEE

308 **a Representative's Report**

Cllr Collins reported on the last meeting. The Hundred of Hoo School had made a suggestion they would like students working in the area and would be contacting the parish councils. Land Securities had said that they would spend £30,000 on transport, would do further work on the A228 and that all responses would be replied to.

13 KALC/MEDWAY AREA COMMITTEE

309 Neither representative had been able to attend the last meeting.

14 POLICE LIAISON

310 **a Police Liaison Representative's Report**

Cllr Andrews said the next meeting was the following week.

15 PARISH COUNCIL SURGERIES

311 Cllr Mrs Watson suggested the Parish Council should hold regular surgeries. Cllr Thomas said that informal surgeries were held each month at the farmers' markets. Cllr Crozer suggested they could be formalised by making use of the waiting room and also could be done during Kings Kitchen sessions in the Memorial Hall. Cllrs Mrs Watson and Gordon said they would be willing to attend formal surgeries. Councillors were asked to give the idea further consideration before the January meeting.

16 QUEEN'S DIAMOND JUBILEE

312 The idea of an event to mark the occasion of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee was discussed. Cllrs Gordon and Mrs Watson volunteered to get involved.

17 COMMUNICATION

313 a High Halstow Times

Nothing to report.

314 b Web Site

Nothing to report.

18 COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

315 a Project 90

The next Project 90 would be held in January 2012

19 HIGH HALSTOW PRIMARY SCHOOL

Nothing to report.

20 RELIEF IN NEED

Nothing to report.

21 CONSULTATION

No documents received.

22 CORRESPONDENCE

319 a RSPB

The letter from the RSPB about a proposed new airport in the Thames Estuary was received.

23 REPORTS & CIRCULARS

The reports and circulars as listed on the agenda were received.

23 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

321 a Wall on Corner of Eden Road and Longfield Avenue

Cllr Mrs Watson raised the state of the wall. Cllr Thomas outlined the planning history of the site and said that the owner had had his plans for a house refused on grounds of its being contrary to the street scene.

The Chairman suspended the meeting for the public session.

Mr Jones reported that a lamp post with a 30 mph sign attached in Cooling Road had been damaged when a drive had been done. Cllr Watson said he would investigate.

Community Officer Johnny Robinson introduced himself.

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 8.45 pm.

SignedChairman

On theday of2012