

**MINUTES OF WOULDHAM PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY 7TH MARCH 2017 AT 7.30PM
WOULDHAM VILLAGE HALL**

Present: Cllr Head, Cllr Parris, Cllr Goode, Cllr Adams, Cllr Jukes, Cllr Fulwell, Cllr Marr, Dr Fitzwater
BCllr Dalton CCllr Homewood Clerk Nicky Grimes 3 members of the public

1.	APOLOGIES BCllr D. Davis	
2.	MINUTES The minutes of the Parish council meeting held on the 7/02/2017 were proposed by Cllr Parris and seconded by Cllr Marr to be a true record of proceedings. It was agreed by all other councillors that the minutes were to be signed by the Chairman.	
3.	MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES Members agreed that any other matters arising from the minutes would be dealt with under the appropriate heading, as the meeting progressed through the agenda.	
4.	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST Cllr Head Grounds maintenance	
5.	EXTERNAL REPORTS	
5.1	Borough Councillor: Report received. 155 evening bus service is to be discontinued at the beginning of April, there has been a meeting with Tracey Crouch among others to discuss options, Last bus after April might be 7.30pm. Litter picking: Cllr Head hopes to get poster done, Wouldham and Burham could help each other, Clerk of Burham has done a poster, will ask to borrow it. Cllr Adams to ask the school if they will do the back path again. TMBC say not allowed to litter pick on roads of 40mph plus. Cllr Goode: How does a planning application get referred to the planning committee? Called in by committee members or sent via planning officers if they feel it is controversial. In the case of Downs Farm both BC's have called it in.	Clerk
5.2	County Councillor: Hall Rd now open. LED lighting still not completed, no concrete post lights have been done, nor outside the shop. Cllr Fulwell have asked the lighting engineers who said they were only asked to do High St and Knowle Rd. Check lights and send email to Peter. Cllr Fitzwater: Has KCC considered the lights damage to insects.? PH to look into it. Cllr Goode: Letter from David Gould. CCllr Homewood receives a copy. Discussion on traffic measuring which will have to be done every year. Discusses access road in the Rec for the houses in the High St, cannot end at Tramway and residents didn't want it. Should we ask residents again? Discussion on Parking on High St being a natural traffic calming. Cllr Goode asks about 40 mph on all lanes around villages, BCllr Dalton: TMBC are currently looking at 3 villages for 20mph zoning. Only just started to look at it so nothing to report. Burham had to fight for 40mph limit on Burham Rd. Police have said they cannot enforce it but Cllr Jukes states that if cars have accident when speeding they are culpable.	
5.3	Police report: One crime 7/2/17 damage caused to vehicle parked in Ferry Lane	
5.4	Neighbourhood Watch Scheme: Waiting for PCSO to get back with a date for meeting.	

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5.5	Youth Club: Cllr Jukes sent notes on meeting in the week with volunteers for the new Youth Club.	
6. 6.1 6.2 6.3 6.4	<p>PLANNING</p> <p>Planning applications considered and commented upon by the Planning Committee TM/17/02812/RD School Farm</p> <p>Planning consents issued: None</p> <p>Planning applications refused: None</p> <p>Other planning issues: Downs Farm: Planning application TM/16/03497/FL. This application has been sent to Area 3 Planning. VOTE: Shall we send a representative to speak at the meeting? Proposer Cllr Jukes Seconder Cllr Parris For the proposition 4 Against the proposition 3 No vote 1 The Clerk will be the representative</p>	
7.	<p>PETERS VILLAGE</p> <p>Cllr Parris. Travellers tried to enter the quarry, the security guard with dog was very brave in stopping them. There is currently a well-organized communication chain in reporting travellers. Traffic lights in Hall Rd: Car has to pull right up to the line for the lights to change. Have asked KCC for a sign who in turn have asked the developer to inform drivers of the delay. Can we ask Jared about pathway across the Rec. CClr Homewood has spoken to someone in KCC about the lights in the Greenway by Hall Rd.</p>	
8.	<p>MEMBERS OF PUBLIC</p> <p>Sandra Redgrave: Lives in Oldfield Drive and recently had a van broken into with tools stolen which was close to the house, her complaint is that it is very dark in Oldfield Drive once the street lights go off, when can they get all night lighting? Cllr Head explains about the censor in the lights that would have to be changed and how much that would cost, the PC has looked into it and considered paying for it but soon the lights will be converted to LED for free and on all night once that has been done. Clerk to look into getting every other light done and find out when they will be converted. Discussion on censors fitted for lights to come on when someone walks passed, would not be possible at this late stage and they would get broken. David Gould has sent an email regarding traffic in and around the village. Thinks the village should be asked what they would like in the way of speed limits, signs etc before PV is built. There was a referendum in the village about the allotments so why could there not be one on traffic. Since Hall Rd has opened there has been an increase in traffic especially with drivers who do not know the area, sooner or later someone will be killed. Cllr Goode suggests asking Tracey Crouch as she helped with the previous referendum. Mr Gould states that the DoT document lays out the criteria for speed limits, KCC read it like it means evidence of death and serious accidents, their guidance does not say that but that it is a local issue and other evidence should be taken into account. Parish News could host referendum form. Cllr Head suggests waiting until traffic settled, does not want to put a less than strong case others think the speed limit could be challenged now. Cllr Jukes: can</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>

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	<p>we involve Burham and Eccles as well? Clerk to ask workman at PV to watch their speeds.</p> <p>Cllr Parris: Discusses the traffic survey showing 21mph on High St. Drivers do not know rules of road re: giving way to cars parked on side. Thinks some cars are driving at 50/60mph.</p>	
9.	<p>STREET LIGHTING:</p> <p>Clerk has found an electrician who has quoted £75 to change Village lights to LED or £395 per light with the lantern. Clerk to get quote for lanterns from elsewhere</p>	
10.	<p>HIGHWAYS AND VERGES:</p> <p>Pot holes near Starkey Castle. Clerk to report to Medway</p> <p>Ask Kris Rigg to look around village pot holes esp. Hall Rd</p> <p>Agreed date for 2017 traffic survey 24th April for one week. Clerk to book</p> <p>Cllr Fulwell to look into reducing height of VH wall, will look at cast iron fence.</p> <p>Mirrors for Portland Rd, need permission by house or UK Power networks. Clerk to get quotes and permissions. Cllr Parris asks about criteria for installing a traffic mirror on behalf of a resident, have to have permission from land owner and post owner.</p> <p>Medway junction, parents for JB park right on the corner, can we have letter to JB asking parents to walk from car park, ask parking enforcement to check at school drop off. Booker Bros also park on path so cannot walk past, send letter. Concerns about the right of way at the Medway corner.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
11.	<p>FOOTPATHS/PROW:</p> <p>BTF have written to suggest ways of using the land at bottom of Tramway: They are considering putting a house on it. Sewage and electric lines go underneath the Tramway. FP9 and FP6 cuts across. No easement written into title. Suggests if house built there could be an entrance into back of Rec. Clerk to write in response.</p>	Clerk
12.	<p>ALLOTMENTS:</p> <p>Nothing to report. Rents collected 26th March.</p>	
13.	<p>WOULDHAM COMMON:</p> <p>Lots of fly tipping, Cllr Adams thinks fly tipping not cleared for over a year. Ask David Munn. Take photos.</p> <p>Discussion on land fill tax being local or central gov. Cllr Homewood suggests sending information to Dennis Gardner, Cllr Dalton will ask for Hill Rd to be cleared.</p>	
14. 14.1 14.2	<p>VILLAGE HALL:</p> <p>Existing Hall:</p> <p>No meeting. Hand Dryers, Wifi and blinds have all been installed. Discussion on painting the hall.</p> <p>New Hall:</p> <p>Very bad news, Big Lottery Fund is closed so cannot submit bid, left references for other grant giving bodies. Would still be a gap between cost and funding even if all funding was received? Funding committee suggests it comes back to PC to see what they want to do. Fund raising committee have raised £3203, all agree it involved good community cohesion. Can we use the old bid for any new funding? Will ask Ali to send copy. Cllr Head says PC will pay costs for print out. Cllr Fulwell suggests getting the car park finished first which would be a large part of the costs of the VH build. Possibly more volunteers are needed to help with funding.</p> <p>Is there any information on criteria for choosing which hall the lottery would support? Considering we already have a hall.</p>	

	Discussion on Modular hall. Example cost £200K. £140K from sale of current hall, match funding from KCC. The rest could do the car park and the ground work. More information to be got for next meeting. Cllr Fulwell funding. Cllr Head modular buildings. A separate meeting will be organized for PC to discuss all options.	
15.	RECREATION GROUND: Footballers need to get proper planning permission for their container on the Rec, clerk has forwarded forms to Jason. Ask Barge to come back and finish equipment before Easter Goal posts. Need to go up out of garden where they are stored. Cllr Parris ask if permission is required for camp offs after the Fun Days. Cllr Head says no.	clerk
16.	ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL MATTERS:	
16.1	Approval of accounts: Cllr Adams and Cllr Fulwell sign BACS form. Cllr Goode signs off last month's payments. Cllr Parris asks clerk to deposit £250 for the Fun Day account.	
16.2	Discuss and approve matters for Parish Magazine: Precept increase, 60+ club defib training 4 th April 2-4 anyone wishing to join us more that welcome(any age). Fun Day/camp off. Village hall build. Traffic levels are rising and we will be doing traffic survey. E mail addresses for surveys/referendums etc. (ask email or post)	
17.	CORRESPONDENCE: Btf. 17.2.17 Discussion on Tramway David Gould 23.2.17 Traffic concerns	
18.	DATE OF NEXT MEETING; April 4th 2017	
19.	QUESTION FROM COUNCILLORS, CHAIRPERSON AND CLERK: Cllr Adams: Would like to comment that only a small number of people on Keep Wouldham Connected get involved in debates and that we need to remember the silent majority. There are many people who do not comment but use it for information, FB does show how many people look at each post. Cllr Parris mentions the pile of tyres behind Nelson Rd, collected by the Medway River Clearance volunteers. Collection is in hand. Jellybeans staff should wear hi viz jackets whilst on the road with the children, clerk to write. Cllr Goode would like to ask KCC again about the old school but all agree no-one yet knows. Cllr Jukes would like to find out a date for fixing the light by the shop, it has been too long. Cllr Marr has had complaints about the Lady Masons parking in Ferry Lane as they moved the barriers to park. Clerk to contact Cllr Head has been contacted by Tracey Crouch as she would like to be involved in fundraising for Harry Parkes who sadly died last month. The school have not decided yet what to do as a memorial for him. Meeting ends 9.45pm	Clerk clerk
	Wouldham Parish Council- cashflow to end of financial year 2016-2017 For March Bank Account Balance as at 27th February Current account Nat West (PC) £11,772.15 13204.6 Savings account Nationwide £30,362.21	

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Monies belonging to Youth Club			£83.00	
Monies belonging to Fun Day (incl 2016 budget)			£1,349.52	
Receipts paid in February				
07/02/2017	Trenport	Donation for FD	£60.00	
14/02/2017	Fun Day	Jumble sale	£350.00	
17/02/2017	TMBC	Playground repair	£4,672.80	£5,082.80
Payments cleared up to February 27th 2017				
BACS	N Grimes	Salary&expenses	£1,158.68	
BACS	KALC	Training courses	£144.00	
3134	Headland	Groundworks	£280.00	
3135	J Head	Electrical services	£396.24	
BACS	M&V Tech	Mains connection	£195.00	
BACS	SE Water	Allotments	£334.01	
SO	F Rance	Litter warden	£199.80	
DD	E On	Street lights	£25.54	
BACS	Sonic Security	CCTV	£1,251.42	
BACS	Rural Kent	membership	£40.00	
BACS	A R Ames	Fun Day	£375.00	
BACS	Four Jays	Fun Day	£202.00	
BACS	Barge Group	Playground repair	£4,672.80	
DD	Eon	Recreation Gnd	£11.19	£9 285.68
Payments to be approved March meeting				
BACS	N Grimes	Salary	£1,046.11	
BACS	N Grimes	Noticeboard	£154.74	
BACS	N Grimes	Correction	£4.99	
SO	F Rance	Litter warden	£199.80	
DD	E On	Street lights	£25.00	estimate
DD	E On	CCTV	£11.00	estimate
BACS	Trenport	Allotment rent	£330.00	
				£1,771.64
Estimated balance carried forward				
Current account Nat West			£11,433.03	
Savings account Nationwide			£30,362.21	
				£41,795.24

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