

MINUTES OF WOULDHAM PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

**TUESDAY 6th JUNE 2017 AT 7.30PM
WOULDHAM VILLAGE HALL**

Present: Cllr Head, Cllr Parris, Cllr Goode, Cllr Adams, Cllr Jukes, Cllr Fulwell, Cllr Marr, BCllr Davis, Cllr Homewood, Clerk Nicky Grimes, 2 members of public

1.	APOLOGIES Cllr Fitzwater BCllr Dalton	
2.	MINUTES The minutes of the Parish council meeting and the AGM held on the 4/05/2017 were proposed by Cllr Parris and seconded by Cllr Adams to be a true record of proceedings. It was agreed by all other councillors that both 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. 5.1 5.2 5.3 5.4 5.5	EXTERNAL REPORTS Borough Councillor: Report in the pack. BCllr Davis is very grateful to Cllr Parris for visiting the residents of Trafalgar Close to get them to agree with the monitoring of the river wall. County Councillor: Cllr Homewood states he is back in funds, the PC are considering a request to secure the Rec against trespassers. The PC would also like the top gate to be widened for access to various functions. Also considering Armco barriers. The Fun Day committee may add some funds. The Chair congratulates Cllr Homewood on his re-election Police report: MAY Cornwall Crescent. Animals stolen from a garden. Neighbourhood Watch Scheme: Everyone involved are receiving their packs, it is up and running Youth Club: More people have volunteered including 2 youth members aged 16. The club has just come into profit, clerk to hold Youth Club funds in the PC bank account. Clerk reminds the PC that there was £383 in the YC account at the start.	
6. 6.1 6.2 6.3 6.4 6.41	PLANNING Planning applications considered and commented upon by the Planning Committee 17/00835/834 Gardners Cottage Planning consents issued: None Planning applications refused: None Other planning issues: None Oldfield Drive: Cllr Goode has sent round letter she received from planning enforcement, she does not agree that the hedge between	

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	<p>Oldfield Drive and the ANOB should be allowed to be cut down, it should be protected and maintained in perpetuity because of its landscape and wildlife value. In the past another hedge was asked to be re-installed but Cllr Adams does not think it ever was, the old plans are produced on the boundary treatment. Cllr Goode asks BCllr Davis to help investigate this further, the PC agree. Cllr Goode is concerned that it is deemed legal to remove the hedge and that it is no longer protected, there is no TPO as trees are of insufficient height. Cllr Head; bush is extending into the field and needs topping badly. Discussion of ownership.</p>	
7.	<p>PETERS VILLAGE 2 new dog poo bins are being installed. Trenport to supply and TMBC to empty. Orbit building are not Social housing, all their current building is privately owned, none have yet been sold. Cllr Parris would like signs saying Wouldham Parish at every boundary in the Parish, she thinks we should reinforce and establish the boundaries especially at the Southern boundary at Peters Village. Clerk to ask Highways. The PC would like to be consulted on the design before they are installed.</p>	Clerk
.	<p>MEMBERS OF PUBLIC David Brooker: Traffic lights meant to be 40 second delay and isn't. Highways told clerk the delay is only when there are cars coming from Wouldham, not when it is empty. All agree that people jumping lights is appalling. The road at the Knowle Rd/Hall Rd/High St junction is very dangerous. Asking for signs re: parking and DYL at this junction. Cllr Fulwell agrees, asks BCllr Davis to get enforcement to come out, were told they would come over more often but they do not. Saturday evening worse as they know enforcement do not come out then. Cllr Parris comments that Jellybeans parents also park by the Medway to drop children off. Cllr Goode, why can't volunteers do some ticketing? Who owns Hall Rd? As it is not adopted it is Trenport. Horses should not go on footpath that leads to new school, they have to stay on Hall Rd, Nu Venture buses are a great size, would like to encourage KCC to use them on the 155 route permanently instead of Arriva. NV say they are getting good figures in the evening, BCllr Davis suspects Arriva were suppressing the numbers. Arriva will not use smaller buses. Arriva have taken the service, there is no contract. The only way to change companies would be another company arriving 10 minutes earlier but there are implications for that. Would be helpful if evidence can be gathered about the bad service of Arriva, then a fining system could be instigated. Are there any regulations on the yellow development signs directing people to PV, as there are so many? Developers put them up, it happened with Oldfield Drive. Thinks they need permission to put them on poles but they are temporary. Debris on Portland Rd for someone doing their garden, been there for a while. The road is not adopted so the PC cannot do anything. Work should have been completed in 4 days. The PC thanks Dave for cleaning the front of the Village Hall.</p>	
9.	<p>STREET LIGHTING:</p>	

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9.1	The PC owned street light in Ravensknowle is broken, there is a £75 call out charge. Asks CClr Homewood if he can look into cheaper lanterns. Send photos of the 2 PC owned lights that are broken to CClr Homewood Clerk to order 2 new LED lights, see if we can get a deal on 2.	Clerk
10. 10.1	HIGHWAYS AND VERGES: Shall we have a meeting to discuss traffic and ask MOP to come? There are lots of ideas, some unworkable for example High St one way. Cllr Fulwell, we need to look at all possibilities and discuss and say why we agree or disagree to bring the village with us. Discussion of waiting for KCC to agree the 20mph. The meeting at KCC to discuss problem is in June. It is not speed of cars but volume that is the main problem, residents who live on the High St disagree. Discussion on meeting with PC first then include residents. Cllr Goode, the more ideas we have to work through the better. Bull Lane had 6 ideas to put forward to KCC at the start. So need a few ideas to put forward. Dave Brooker; different houses are affected differently. Need to canvas village, get ideas then discuss then call a meeting. Cllr Jukes to ask on FB, the PC agree to put a “flyer “ in the Parish News asking for suggestions. Agenda item next month. Cllr Adams; we should be realistic about the result, does not think it will achieve much. Is there a sign at the School Lane/Pilgrims Way junction to say turning? Ask Kris Rigg to get signs cleared and missing signs replaced and cleaned.	Clerk Clerk
11.	FOOTPATHS/PROW: All FP have been cut, clerk to contact Graham West re: weeds coming through fence at Cornwall Crescent. Ask to cut metre strip. Stencils for dog poo to be done soon. David Munn replied to say they will remove the “newt gate” from FP15	
12.	ALLOTMENTS: No news, all rents paid.	
13.	WOULDHAM COMMON: Had first cut of the year.	
14. 14.1 14.2	VILLAGE HALL: Existing Hall: No meeting but will be rescheduled for new members to join. Structural report done on both buildings said cracks were fine, result of heat and cold acting on surface mortar. Electrical safety check which failed, some other items that clerk to check with insurance for cover for minor failings. New Hall: Had valuation done on the old hall from Wards, £225000. Clerk has had advice that if the PC had architect drawings and applied for planning permission themselves (approx. cost £5000) it would be worth a lot more. Good to know there is value in the old hall. Could the PC ask to use old school for a year, sell old hall then have the money to build? Cllr Fulwell; no need, the PC can get very cheap bridging loan from KCC. Still looking into quotes for modular and brick built.	Clerk
15.	RECREATION GROUND:	

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<p>15.1</p> <p>15.2</p> <p>15.3</p>	<p>Car park boundary and extension of car park. Quotation in pack for £79K. Discussion on depth of groundworks in quote as heavy vehicles used for waste disposal. Would also like quote for honeycomb covering. Talk to Highways for information.</p> <p>Cllr Fulwell would like to discuss extending size of car park, if new barriers are to be installed they need to be put in in the new position at the beginning. Use community fund at TMBC to get play equipment moved? Quote to get equipment moved. Discussion on more substantial posts, Cllr Marr sees large lumps of ragstone in Maidstone. Everyone to think of ideas. To put in fence same as existing is too expensive. Have to have gaps for access. Ask CCLr for £5K to pay for all the work on the Rec.</p> <p>Medway Inn to lay concrete slab for permanent position of football cabin. Will also tidy area by our cabins with the JCB. Discussion on clearing the area behind the whole wall along the Rec.</p> <p>Toilet on Rec: Discussion on toilet on the Rec, have been offered a free portaloo ready to pipe into main drain. Would then have a permanent toilet on the Rec. Who would maintain them? Consider vandalism and hygiene. Would save cost of hire. Football club have said they would like a toilet outside of their cabin and have said they would pay to keep it clean.</p> <p>CCTV, monitor stopped working, Sonic replaced it.</p> <p>Goal posts are in the container and need a permanent position. Small posts are being fixed and can be moved over then.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
<p>16.</p> <p>16.1</p> <p>16.2</p>	<p>ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL MATTERS:</p> <p>Approval of accounts: Cllr Adams and Cllr Fulwell sign BACS agreement.</p> <p>Discuss and approve matters for Parish Magazine:</p> <p>Traffic requests/aware and taking seriously asking for suggestions. Cut off date, email addresses where they can leave them. Fun Day advert, NHB Watch up and running. Report on Spring Fair. Parking on Rec car park not DYL,</p>	
<p>17.</p>	<p>CORRESPONDENCE:</p> <p>Letter regarding local Post Office not being replaced.</p> <p>Letter from E On recommending an upgrade of electric meter to smart meter.</p> <p>Both copied to PC after meeting</p>	
<p>18.</p>	<p>DATE OF NEXT MEETING:</p> <p>4th July 2017</p>	
<p>19.</p>	<p>QUESTIONS FROM COUNCILLORS, CHAIRPERSON AND CLERK:</p> <p>Cllr Goode; Get quote for printing PC news leaflet.</p> <p>Cllr Parris; Bin outside 31 High St hanging off again. Cllr Parris asked about the phone Box, need to sort out electric first then can be a library.</p> <p>Fun Day accounts not finalized but looks like £1600 made.</p> <p>Cllr Marr; barrow of booze raised £170 at Fun Day</p> <p>Cllr Jukes; Hands out information sheet to go to PV with Parish News and put in noticeboards. Find out dates of cream teas.</p> <p>Cllr Head; should be put noticeboard in PV?</p> <p>Meeting ends 9.30</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>

Wouldham Parish Council- cashflow to end of financial year 2017-2018					
for the June meeting					
Bank Account Balance as at 30th May 2017					
Current account Nat West				£25,192.09	£ 27,452.92
Savings account Nationwide				£30,362.21	
Monies belonging to Youth Club				£222.94	
Monies belonging to Fun Day				£889.89	
Monies belonging to Defib				£1,148.00	£57,815.13
Receipts paid May 2017					
Allotment rent			£ 506.00		
Defib account			£ 1,148.00		
S. Albert field rent			£ 275.00		
Fun Day			£ 1,000.00	£2,929.00	
June Trenport donation Defib			£ 200.00		
Payments cleared up to 30/5/17					
SO	F Rance	Litter warden	£ 199.80		
Chq 3136	N Grimes	Stationary	£ 12.45		
Chq 3136	N Grimes	Eset	£ 20.95		
Chq 3136	N Grimes	Salary	£ 1,083.94		
chq 3137	A Marr	Youth club	£ 26.06		
Chq 3138	D Parris	Fun Day	£ 200.00		
DD	E On	CCTV	£ 16.12		
Card	True Traders	Fun Day	£ 78.00		
Card	E Bay	Printing ink	£ 20.00		
Card	Four jays	Fun Day	£ 604.10		
DD	E On	Street lights	£ 27.03	£2,288.45	
Payments to be agreed June meeting					
SO	F Rance	Litter warden	£ 199.80		
DD	N Grimes	Salary	£ 1,055.93		
DD	N Grimes	Fun Day	£ 6.49		
DD	E On	CCTV	£ 10.68		
Chq 3139	Young Kent	Youth club	£ 134.00		
BACS	K&M traffic	Survey	£ 330.00		
BACS	Came&Co	Fun Day	£ 25.00		
DD	E On	Street lights	£ 27.00	estimated	
				£1,788.90	
Estimated balance carried forward to June 2017					
Savings account Nationwide			£30,362.21		
Current account Nat West			£25,664.01	£56,026.22	

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