

**MINUTES OF WOULDHAM PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY 4th December 2018 AT 7.30PM
WOULDHAM VILLAGE HALL**

Present: Cllr Head, Cllr Parris, Cllr Grey, Cllr Adams, Cllr Jukes, Cllr Marr, Cllr Bell, BClr Davis, BClr Dalton, CClr Homewood, Clerk Nicky Grimes 5 members of public

1.	APOLOGIES Cllr Harrison	
2.	MINUTES The minutes of the Parish council meeting held on the 6/11/18 were proposed by Cllr Parris and seconded by Cllr Gray 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. 5.1	EXTERNAL REPORTS Borough Councillor: Report received. BClr Dalton reads from received email: Regulation 19 of Local Plan. 3750 responses have been made. The soundness of the local plan will be processed and put in the data base before 24 th January 2019 but due to the amount of responses received this will take some time. Bushey Wood had 1422 responses, 1300 from Eccles which were handed in on the final day, Borough Green 1071. Planning team will be focusing exclusively on the Local Plan so other routine plans will take longer to process. Bus report has been sent out after a year of evidence, services initially improved but they have now degraded a bit. Thanks to the clerks for collecting the evidence. Last Arriva bus from Maidstone to Chatham stops at PV. This issue has been raised. Bus drivers in PV have not learnt the route yet they turn at Keepers Cottage Lane or turn at the roundabout. Bus mounting the footpath at Medway Inn, 3 reported incidence of buses mounting the pavement, not only buses but other HGV's although these have been particularly mentioned. Pushing for meeting with 3 PC's, KCC and TMBC to see if there is anything we can do to improve reporting. Borough Councillor to follow up on the meeting on 17/4/18 with Tracey Crouch MP. Passenger complaints to the driver have increased, reliability and destination is most important, if Arriva cannot do it get someone who can. Have asked them many times to look into smaller buses,	
5.2	County Councillor: Email from PROW. Plan to improve route from PV to Aylesford for pedestrians, cyclist and horse riders. Most of the route is PROW and they have funding to finish the rest, Passes over email and map. Another meeting with PROW to be set up in the New Year, top of Agenda should be Hill Road. PROW are going to put in narrowing. E Mail those	

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<p>5.3</p> <p>5.4</p>	<p>details to Peter.</p> <p>Problem with Medway Corner, in 2015 meeting with Arriva they agreed to move part of the build out opposite the Medway, this would aid the buses on that corner. Peter will come down and look at the build out and the problem. Difficulty with KCC is we agree action then the member of staff from KCC leaves and the plans have to start again.</p> <p>What stage are we at with KCC looking for solutions, clerk hears that Ian Grigor is working on plans for Wouldham but nothing official is coming through.</p> <p>Bus also cuts the corner outside No. 90/92 and the Watermans where the landlady has put bollards to stop vehicles driving too close to the pub.</p> <p>Hall Road pedestrian crossing, cars still running lights.</p> <p>BCllr Davis states that Ian Grigor is following the report from PC, most important thing at the time was Hall Rd/Medway Inn corner. Look again at this plan. 5 traffic calmings were prioritised but have asked KCC for recommendations for the corner.</p> <p>Ask for traffic lights to be removed and made into a pedestrian only crossing.</p> <p>Police report: No reports this month.</p> <p>Neighbourhood Watch Scheme: Nothing to report</p> <p>Cllr Grey asks about coordinator's in PV, she will look into it.</p> <p>Had report that car had been damaged in car park, clerk reported van to employer and they contacted them privately.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
<p>6.</p> <p>6.1</p> <p>6.2</p> <p>6.3</p> <p>6.4</p>	<p>PLANNING</p> <p>Planning applications considered and commented upon by the Planning Committee. None</p> <p>Planning consents issued: None</p> <p>Planning applications refused: None</p> <p>Other planning issues:</p> <p>Trenport leaflet on Northern Extension</p> <p>Nothing to report on before we get the planning permission, has advised no one to respond as Trenport are fishing for objections before they put the plan in. When planning applied for the plans will become widely available. Most residents in PV were under the impression that the Southern extension was going to be a marina. Burham PC are also waiting until the planning application goes through.</p> <p>Cllr Bell asks about planning permissions being put aside until Local Plan is finished. Consideration to Trenport putting plan in during Christmas but Area 3 not until March.</p>	
<p>7.</p>	<p>MEMBERS OF PUBLIC</p> <p>Graham Godsen: Asks CCllr what he has done in the last 6 months for Wouldham traffic, he assures us that he has been working on this constantly but the funding just isn't there. No progress and no proposals, it appears that KCC are doing nothing. More onsite meetings, Chair to ask for paperwork to show work that something is happening.</p> <p>Do you think that the volume of traffic will go down when the smart motorway is finished? No one thinks this is a factor.</p> <p>Louisa: Traffic on pavements outside 32</p> <p>Press for more police presence.</p>	

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	<p>Due to latest traffic survey we can give the police a window of peak times to come through the village. Go to Police and Crime commissioner. There is a concern that KCC will put DYL all along the High St. and that this will increase the speed and the volume of cars through village. Write to Arriva re buses on kerbs and 2 buses passing through at the same time.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>
8.	<p>STREET LIGHTING: Report light by Church. Report light on Knowle Rd</p>	
9.	<p>HIGHWAYS AND VERGES: Pot hole outside Gores, report again.</p> <p>Have spent £570 out of £3000 of the membership grant we have received. KCC have refused us the SIDS for £1400 and are insisting on theirs for £7000. Evolis are going to talk to KCC to try and get their SIDS on the KCC list.</p> <p>By email, WPC responded to the KALC advisory transport committee's request for areas in which to put HGV parking. It was agreed by all that there were no suitable sites in our area.</p>	Clerk
10.	<p>FOOTPATHS/PROW: Black Robin steps, thousands of pounds spent on the steps and they are going to ruin. They are now dangerous to walk on, the risers have collapsed. Hill Road is destroyed. Chair to bring up at Valley of Visions meeting tomorrow The Tramway is unpassable. Barrier is to be put in on path opposite exit of new pathway. Crossing attendant to move up.</p>	Clerk
11.	<p>ALLOTMENTS: More dumping on allotment 1, Trenport could refuse lease if they inspect the allotments, clerk to send a letter to Sue Durani insisting that something be done. Cannot turn of water during the winter because of the horses.</p>	Clerk
12.	<p>WOULDHAM COMMON: Nothing to report</p>	
13. 13.1 13.2	<p>VILLAGE HALL: Arrange meeting in January.</p> <p>Polling station: VOTE: Wouldham Parish Council object to the polling station moving to the new school. Proposed Cllr Parris 2nd Cllr Gray. All agree. On grounds of school closing for a day or safeguarding, old people unable to get to the school and another separation of Wouldham from PV.</p> <p>Old school site. The site has to be sold to cover shortfall of the new build school on Worrall Drive. There is a possibility of the old building for a new Village Hall, have spoken to KCC's agent and made it clear that we would fight hard to prevent the site being cleared and covered in houses, however if</p>	Clerk

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	<p>Wouldham got something out of it we would consider a development. Had a meeting with potential developer who has said if we support 24 houses on the site they will transfer ownership of the old buildings and the playground to Wouldham Parish Council.</p> <p>PC had email discussion.</p> <p>A developer could buy the whole plot, keep it for a few years and Wouldham won't get anything.</p> <p>Cllr Adams: Trenport offered us a hall in exchange for building on the allotments and the village did not agree that this was a deal worth having.</p> <p>Discussion on the idea. Concerns how can we justify more traffic in the area? School sold in 3 lots, need to find out what their plans are for the playing field. We are promoting no more development until the traffic is sorted out but now we are saying we support this plan, it is hypocrisy. This agreement would mean we are now agreeing to more traffic. Also the old building has been derelict for a year, it was high maintenance when it was looked after now it is in poor condition. Will be £250K be enough to convert the building? Grants are available but they are very hard to get.</p> <p>Discussion on having a hall which would be safe for our children which is an issue for JB and youth club.</p> <p>What about the new community centre in PV? This will never belong to the village and we would have to rent it for possibly a very high rent. If there was a new VH the clerks rent will be saved (£260 per month), Cllr Bell, this is academic as they may not get the site. No point of discussing PV hall as within 10 years PV will be a separate village.</p> <p>VOTE: We agree to support a development on the new part of the school site including the grass area adjacent, of 24 houses or less in exchange for the freehold of the old school site including the playground.</p> <p>Proposer Cllr Parris 2nd Cllr Jukes. Result 5 in favour 1 against 1 abstain</p>	
14.	<p>RECREATION GROUND:</p> <p>Clynton has replaced equipment. Ask for update on his work. New poo signs have been put up, 3 signs have been ripped down, ask for dog warden to come out.</p> <p>Car park is being badly littered and drug paraphernalia is found, Cllr Parris wonders about using CCTV but it is decided that this would not be useful and is very time consuming.</p> <p>4 areas where we know drugs are taken, riverside, under bridge, drugs hut, car park.</p>	Clerk
15. 15.1 15.2 15.3	<p>ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL MATTERS:</p> <p>Approval of accounts: Cllr Adams and Bell agree BACS payments</p> <p>Village Hall accounts. Received by the PC</p> <p>Discuss and approve matters for Parish Magazine:</p> <p>Henry Peters Charity. PC agree the proposal and it will go into the Parish News.</p> <p>No Parish News in January</p>	
16.	<p>CORRESPONDENCE:</p> <p>13/11/18 Barbara Cooper. Response to bypass request</p>	

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	26/11/18 Simon Jones. Response to road crossings	
17.	DATE OF NEXT MEETING: January 8th 2018	
18.	QUESTIONS FROM COUNCILLORS, CHAIRPERSON AND CLERK: Cllr Gray Youth Club is going eco friendly, recycle everything. No plastic to be used, using eco bricks (plastic bottle used as bricks) Meeting closed 21.13	

Bank balance at 28th November 2018					
	Current account Nat West		£ 18,680.88		£ 20,297.62
	Savings account Nationwide		£ 30,402.96		
	Monies belonging to Youth Club		£ 761.56		
	Monies belonging to Fun Day		£ 855.18		
Receipts up to 28th November					
12/11/2018	VAT	refund	£ 8,299.90		
22/11/2018	Youth Club		£ 142.62	£ 8,442.52	
Payments made up to November 27th					
02/11/2018	Google	email	£ 3.96		
07/11/2018	F Rance	Litter warden	£ 192.84		
07/11/2018	N Grimes	Salary & expenses	£ 1,097.75		
19/11/2018	T.E.	Accountant	£ 180.00		
21/11/2018	E On	CCTV	£ 11.93		
23/11/2018	E On	Streetlights	£ 23.36	£ 1,509.84	
Payments to be agreed at December meeting					
	Headland	Grounds Maintenance	£ 2,300.00		
	Headland	Devolved	£ 1,355.00		
	N Grimes	Salary	£ 1,094.14		
	F Rance	Litter warden	£ 192.84		
	RNBL	Donation	£ 100.00		
	Google	email	£ 3.96		
	E On	Streetlights	£ 23.00	estimate	
	E On	CCTV	£ 10.00	estimate	
				£ 5,078.94	
Estimated balances					
Nat West	Current a/c		£ 13,601.94		
Nationwide	Building Soc		£ 30,402.96		
Youth club			£ 761.56		
Fun Day			£ 855.18	£ 45,621.64	

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