

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF CAPEL-LE-FERNE PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON 17th NOVEMBER 2015

Present: Cllrs; C Leppard, K Pilcher, J Shaw, C Norris, B Tutt together with, District Councillor Frederick Scales and County Councillor Geoff Lymer.

1. **APOLOGIES:** Cllrs. G Greening, V Hale, J Stone and Clerk M Leppard.
2. **DECLARATION OF PERSONAL INTERESTS** - None.
3. **PUBLIC ADDRESS TO COUNCILLORS & SURGERY FEEDBACK** - None received
4. **MINUTES**
The Minutes of the meeting held on 20th October 2015 were proposed as a true record by Cllr. Tutt and seconded by Cllr. Shaw and approved. Signed by the Chairman, Cllr. Pilcher.
5. **MATTERS ARISING NOT COVERED ELSEWHERE ON AGENDA**
 - a) New Litter Bin, Winehouse Lane – Installed but located in wrong location. Farmer has no objection to its position. Item closed.
 - b) Battle of Britain Memorial Trust Bus Shelter – Shelter ordered and paid for. Additional cost due to moving sign post. Letter received from Stagecoach as a response to letter sent from Chairman. Bus shelter to be installed 17th/18th December. *Action: Cllr. Pilcher to reply to Stagecoach.*
6. **DELEGATES REPORTS**
 - a) Neighbourhood Watch – *Community Warden/PCSO and/or Cllr. Shaw.*
 - i. Meeting noted notification that Paul James had left Kent Council Council and had now moved on to a new career as a Licencing Officer for Shepway District Council. Thanks expressed for his devotion to the village and wished him and his family well for the future.
 - ii. Cllr. Stone will be supporting Cllr. Shaw to organise a NHW meeting in February for all to attend.
 - iii. Cllr. Shaw reported a NHW sign had fallen off a lamp post opposite Capel Court Caravan Park and required re-fitting. *Action: Cllr. Pilcher to refit.*
 - b) Play Equipment Status – *Cllr. Pilcher.*
 - i. Status report circulated to Councillors. Noted.
 - ii. Cross Trainer parts to be replaced by TGOGC in December when next maintenance visit is due.
 - iii. Chains on swings to be replaced. Waiting a quote from Wicksteed.
 - c) Village Hall Management Committee - *VHMC Minutes/Cllr. Stone.*
Nothing to report. Annual General Meeting due next week.
 - d) Highways – *Cllr. Tutt.*
 - i. Kent Highways reported no funding available for major work, only minor works would be considered.
 - ii. Caretakers required for a new “Caretaker Scheme”, to check drains, cut hedges etc. No funding available.
 - iii. Highway survey will be completed by 27th November. *Action: Cllr. Tutt.*
 - iv. Black and white verge bollards to be replaced outside school and between 94 and 96 Capel Street.
 - v. Footpaths New Dover Road - Email from Kent Highways: A section of footpath being replaced on South side with weed spraying. North side, weeds being removed, sprayed and continual monitoring with further attention hopeful for later to this section.
 - vi. More planters anticipated at Courtwood Roundabout. Drainage issue believed to be resolved. *Action: To be monitored.*
 - vii. Cattle Sign to be installed at Hockley Sole. *Action: Farmer monitoring.*
 - viii. Battle of Britain require more “dog signs”. *Action: Trust will be liaising with Dover District Council.*
 - ix. Kevin Bown (Highways England) had offered to attend Parish Council meeting to further discuss TAP on A20 and other Highway/Traffic issues. This was agreed. *Action: Clerk to attempt to make arrangements for December meeting and to invite Hougham Parish Council representative when date confirmed.*
 - x. 20mph Zone in Capel Street and other areas – still pending Kent County Council decision.
 - xi. Operation Stack issues – nothing further to report.

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- e) Public Rights of Way. Nothing to report.
- f) Annual Playing Field Event 2015
- i. Agreed by all present to purchase a Trophy for winners of 2015 Petanque competition.
Action: Clerk.
 - ii. Budget to be agreed when more details of costs known and when reply has been received from letter to be sent to VHMC applying for special rate for the day.
 - iii. Napoleonic Re-enactment agreed to attend.
 - iv. Scouts to be requested to clear up again, Dog Training Group and Hawkinge Twirlers have been requested to attend.
 - v. Approximately cost to date £125.
- g) Training/Workshops/Seminars
No-one available to attend KALC Induction Training workshop on 2nd December at Westgate-on-sea.
- i) District Councillor Scales and/or County Councillor Lymer
- Councillor Scales:
- i. Continuing to monitor 20mph speed in all roads, except B2011 - Capel 4th now on list.
 - ii. Noted Battle of Britain Wing highly recommended at national event. Cllr. Norris was at presentation at Lancaster Hotel in London.
 - iii. Land South of New Dover Road proposed planning application, unlikely to be presented to Dover District Council Planning Committee until January at the earliest.
 - iv. Cllr: Scales to write to Nick Thistle on Community Warden Services. *Action: Cllr. Scales.*
Councillors agreed Parish Council to also write on the need for a replacement. *Action: Clerk*
- Councillor Lymer:
- i. Mental Health in relation to attempting to return people to the work place who have been long term sick or disabled, who are of working age still, under the more strict Work Capability Assessment. A study carried out by Oxford and one other university has shown that the new "fit for work" assessment could actually be more harmful under mental health in that 279,000 more cases have been reported under mental health of which there were 590 suicides reported. This situation is therefore being monitored.
 - ii. KCC is keen to ensure that all children from 0-5 years have the best start in life, to avoid the types of diseases that can occur often through poor parenting such as obesity, diabetes, due to poor diets being provided to their children, which are more than often high in sugars, salt and fats. Not encouraging the child to get exercise by driving them often a short distance of under a mile to school, can, with a poor diet, allow the onset of obesity with ensuing other health issues. These are amongst the health issues such as parents smoking in the presence of their children, that many parents need to be educated on to ensure their child has the best start in life.
- j) Other – None

7. CORRESPONDENCE

1. KCC Community Safety Letter on Community Warden for Capel-le-Ferne - *Noted*
2. Charlie Elphicke reply on lorry parking around Capel-le-Ferne. *Action: Clerk to reply to Charlie Elphicke regarding support for Kent Police and Crime Commissioner's appeal for Government to reconsider budget cuts on funding for Kent.*
3. Village Hall Acknowledgement of Annual Hire forms (Small Hall and Post Office Room) - *Noted*
4. Dover District Council Afternoon Appointments notification
5. KCC Public Protection – Shred that Scam Letter and Poster
6. Wicksteed Playgrounds Fitness Equipment leaflet
7. The Royal British Legion "A Symbol of Hope" Leaflet and sticker
8. Broxap litter bins and recycling units Winter 2015 leaflet
9. Clerk and Councils Direct magazine

List of email items received - attached and/or previously forwarded.

8. CHEQUES and BACS PAYMENTS

The following cheques and BACS payments were approved and authorised:

Proposed by Cllr. Norris, seconded by Cllr. Tutt and signed by the Chairman, Cllr. Pilcher having been previously confirmed by Clerk/Responsible Finance Officer.

Received/ Paid	Description	INCOME	EXPENSE	VAT	Cheque No: or BACS/S O/DD			BANK A/Cs	Statement No:	Reconciliation
20.10.15	TOTAL IN HAND						11,443.80			11,443.80
Various	Grapevine Adverts & History Book Sales	127.00			100384	R				
KCC	Bus Shelter Grant	300.00								
C Trimmings	Grapevine Advert	36.00			BACS	R				
Capel Groundw orks	Grapevine Advert	108.00			BACS	R				
Street2Z	Grapevine Advert	18.00								
UK Aggregates	Bus Shelter		2950.00	590.00	BACS	R				
Harmer and Sons	Grass Cutting		387.50	77.50	BACS					
Dover District Council	Public Space Protection Signs (3)		15.00		BACS			Reserve	16.11.15 206	7460.54
Dover District Council	Printing Grapevine September		381.60		BACS			Current	16.11.15 695	341.26
Dover District Council	Printing Grapevine October		382.92		BACS			Project	31.07.15 16	728.43
Dover District Council	Playing Field Rent		112.50		SO					8530.23
Mr D Reed	Litter Clearance		75.00		BACS				Less Un-reconciled 1781.57	
Mrs M Leppard	Salary £301.50, Expenses (Coffee/ Tea etc £11.05)		312.55		BACS					
Nat West	Interest	0.43				R				
17.11.15	TOTAL IN HAND	589.43	4617.07	667.50						
							6,748.66			6,748.66

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9. **PLANNING****Applications Granted**

9 Clarence Road - Erection of a detached dwelling and construction of a vehicular access (existing garage to be demolished. (Conditions attached to permission read out)

Applications being considered by Parish Council

- Abbotsland Bungalow, White Cliffs Caravan Park, New Dover Road – Erection of a bungalow and associated parking (existing bungalow and associated outbuildings to be demolished.

Applications waiting decision by Dover District Council

- Land south of New Dover Road, Capel-le-Ferne - Erection of 40 dwellings, creation of access, associated parking, landscaping and open space.
- Land to side and rear of the Royal Oak, New Dover Road,- siting of static caravan for permanent use

10. **MATTERS CONCERNING THE PARISH**a) **Councillors' Comments**

Nothing raised

b) **Approved resolutions to discuss any confidential issues in agenda item 12**

None to approve.

11. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING** - Tuesday, 15th November 2015 at 7.30pm.

Followed by Festive Refreshments.

12. **CONFIDENTIAL**

None