

SHORNE PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Meeting held on
8 December 2016 in Shorne Village Hall**

PRESENT Mr R Theobald (Chairman)
Mr J Bugg
Mr R Cooper
Mr R Lane
Mr M Redfern
Mr C Rea
M R Hardy
Mrs S Lindley
Miss P Clifton

APOLOGIES Apologies for absence were received from
Cllr B Sweetland

47 Minutes of the Meeting held on 22 September 2016

The minutes were AGREED and signed as a true record, except for Minute 35 which should read "... Tuesday, 6 September 2016..."

48 Matters Arising from the Minutes

(a) Apex Site – Planning Application for Waste Transfers Modification (31a)

Mr Theobald reported that KCC has amended the planning consent. There is a lorry monitoring system which will enable the conditions to be enforced. A Liaison Committee is to be set up with local residents.

(b) Crabbles Bottom (32)

The Report from Kent Wildlife Trust is awaited.

(c) Boundary Review (38)

Mrs Lindley has written, objecting to the exclusion of Higham in the proposed changes to the parliamentary constituency boundaries.

49 Minutes of the Finance & General Purposes Meeting held on 27 October 2016

The minutes were AGREED and signed as a true record. Council AGREED the Committee's recommendations of the draft estimates for the year 2017/2018 in accordance with the schedule. The Parish Council is to precept for £27,000.00 for the year 2017/2018 to be submitted to Gravesham Borough Council.

50 Planning & Highways Committee

Mrs Lindley reported that there were a few planning applications received since the last meeting which needed to be dealt with. Mr Theobald reported that he had contacted the Enforcement Officer at GBC about the grazing meadow at Pear Tree Lane. The Enforcement Officer has visited the site.

51 Footpaths, Properties & Greens Committee

(a) Litter Patrol

Mr Lane reported that the next Litter Patrol is likely to be on Saturday 4 March 2017.

(b) Shorne Common Rough

Mr Redfern has kindly cut down three trees at Shorne Common Rough which were identified as decaying during the recent tree survey. Mr Lane is in the process of finding a contractor to replace the five timber butts at Shorne Common Rough.

(c) Shorne Crossroads Bus Shelter

A group of Parish Councillors have cut back the ivy on the bus shelter at Shorne Crossroads. Mr Lane has contacted Stuart Alford during the week to see if arrangements can be made to steam clean the bus shelters.

(d) Telephone Kiosk on Post Office Green

At the last meeting of the Committee, the public telephone kiosk on Post Office Green was discussed and it was agreed that Council would write to GBC objecting to the proposal to remove it. If unsuccessful, the Parish Council would be prepared to adopt the kiosk.

(e) Crabbles Bottom

It was found that the contractor had incorrectly invoiced the Council for three flail cuts at Crabbles Bottom but the cost for the first cut had already been paid. The error may have been as a result of handover issues at the company as the Council's contact, Ian Curtois, had recently left the company. The matter has now been resolved and an amended invoice has been received which will be paid.

(f) CCTV

Mr Lane has tried contacting Sunstone Systems for advice about CCTV Systems. He has also contacted Yalding Parish Council for information and feed-back on their system.

(g) KCC Volunteer Support Warden Scheme

Mr Lane reported that the Parish Council has been asked whether it would be interested in participating in the KCC Volunteer Support Warden Scheme, which would cost Council a minimum of £1,660 over two years. His view was that it does not offer the Parish Council a real deal of support and does not warrant the additional administration and outlay.

(h) Kent Waste Strategy

Mrs Lindley reported that she had replied to the Kent Waste strategy consultation.

52 Report by County Cllr B Sweetland

No report.

53 Meetings of Outside Bodies(a) Shorne United Charities

Mr Redfern attended the meeting on 7 November 2016.

(b) Neighbourhood Forum/Village Hall Committee Meetings

Mr Lane attended the last meetings of the Neighbourhood Forum and Shorne Village Hall Committee.

54 Finance

(a)	Talk Talk	Account (Oct 16)	£ 26. 21
	(Paid by DD)	VAT	<u>£ 5. 24</u>
			£ 31. 45
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(b)	Talk Talk	Account (Nov 16)	£ 24. 70
	(Paid by DD)	VAT	<u>£ 4. 94</u>
			£ 29. 64
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(c)	Talk Talk (Paid by DD)	Account (Dec 16) VAT	£ 26. 18 <u>£ 5. 23</u> £ 31. 41 =====
(d)	VAT Reclaimed (Paid into Barclays Bank by BACS)		£1131. 86
(e)	UK Power Networks Wayleave (Paid into Barclays Bank)		£ 4. 60
(f)	The following accounts were passed for payment and cheques issued.		
	H & P Conservation- Works Ltd (Paid from Nationwide Crabbles Bottom A/C)	Second cut of the annual vegetation clearance at Crabbles Bottom VAT	£195. 00 <u>£ 39. 00</u> £234. 00 =====
	Commercial Services Trading Ltd (Paid from Nationwide Crabbles Bottom A/C)	Second & Third cuts of the Meadow Area and Fruit Trees at Crabbles Bottom VAT	£2400. 00 <u>£ 480. 00</u> £2880. 00 =====
	Geerings	Photocopier- July/Aug/Sept 2016 VAT	£ 6. 15 <u>£ 1. 23</u> £ 7. 38 =====
	Geerings	Photocopier - Oct 2016 VAT	£ 4. 14 <u>£ . 83</u> £ 4. 97 =====
	Geerings	Photocopier - Nov 2016 VAT	£ 1. 94 <u>£ . 39</u> £ 2. 33 =====
	Viking Direct	Cartridge for Printer VAT	£ 43. 49 <u>£ 8. 70</u> £ 52. 19 =====
	Shorne Village Hall	Hire of Hall & Room	£ 36. 00

Shorne P C	VAT Paid back to Crabbles Bottom Account on Commercial Services Trading Ltd Invoice	£480. 00
RBL Poppy Appeal	Wreath for Remembrance Sunday	£ 40. 00
D Sephton (Invicta Arboricult)	Tree Survey at Shorne Common Rough, Woodlands Lane & The Ridgeway	£325. 00
CPRE	Subscription	£ 36. 00
Mrs T Martin	Postage & Stationery	£ 34. 01
Mrs T Martin	Refreshments for Council Meeting 8 December 2016	£ 25. 53
Mr R Theobald	Refreshments for Council Meeting 8 December 2016	£ 15. 00
Mrs T Martin	Salary - November' 2016 Less Tax	£ 816. 66 £ - <u>92. 33</u> £ 724. 33 =====
Inland Revenue	Tax deducted from Clerk's Salary PC's Contributions for NI	£ 92. 33 £ <u>19. 41</u> £111. 74 =====
Mrs L Brown	Bus Shelter Cleaning	£ 62. 50
Mrs T Martin	Salary - December' 2016 Less Tax	£ 816. 66 £ - <u>92. 33</u> £ 724. 33 =====
Inland Revenue	Tax deducted from Clerk's Salary PC's Contributions for NI	£ 92. 33 £ <u>19. 41</u> £111. 74 =====

55 Matters Raised by Members

- (a) Mr Theobald confirmed that he is proceeding with the Ordnance Survey mapping.

- (b) A discussion took place on defibrillators. The matter is to be discussed further in the new year.
- (c) Miss Clifton reported that the lights outside the See Ho Public House are too bright. Mr Redfern will speak to the owners.
- (d) Miss Clifton reported that the 40mph and Give Way Signs have been tampered with and facing in the wrong direction. Mr Lane has reported this to Highways.
- (e) Mr Rea drew attention to private CCTV cameras, which he felt should only shine on the owner's property and not on other properties in the area.
- (f) Mr Rea also drew attention to cars parking on pavements. Mr Theobald reported that the Borough Council has a policy about this.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.53pm.