

**Draft Minutes of the Meeting of the FULL COUNCIL held in
The Amenity Hall, Stone Cross on Monday 19th July 2010**

122 Present

Cllrs G Parsons (Chair), M Nash, D Molog, B Garner, B Molog, T Bruce, R Perrin, T Comerford, K Sutherland and B Tooley.

Also in attendance were David Watkins (First Responder), Matthew Briggs (First Responder), C Cllr T Freebody and A O'Sullivan (Parish Clerk).

123 Apologies

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from K Saxby, J Blaker and P Marshall.

124 Minutes

The Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 21 June 2010 were read, confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

The meeting was suspended and Cllr Nash introduced and welcomed Mr Watkins and Mr Briggs from the First Responders.

125 First Responders

David Watkins described the work of the First Responders. The First Responders are trained volunteers who respond to 999 calls in the community they live. They are called by the Ambulance Service and attend a call out and provide often vital first aid until the ambulance gets there.

They are a registered charity and rely on donations and need more volunteers and kits. A full kit costs £2000.

Councillors thanked Mr Watkins and Mr Briggs for coming and agreed that they will consider donating money to this service at the September Full Council Meeting.

The meeting was re-opened.

126 Disclosure of Interests

None.

127 Correspondence

The Clerk read from the attached correspondence list and the correspondence was noted.

128 Reports from Committee Meetings

The following Committee Meeting Minutes were received and adopted by the Parish Council.

Cllr T Comerford	Finance and General Purposes	12 July 2010
Cllr K Sutherland	Environment and Planning	12 July 2010
Cllr B Tooley	Parks and Open Spaces	12 July 2010

129 Reports on Sub-Committee Meetings Held

The Emergency Plan Sub-Committee checked that the Emergency Plan Risk Analysis is up to date and included advice for animal related incidents.

Cllr Nash thanked Cllr Marshall for updating the Emergency Number Cards.

130 Reports from Outside Meetings

Cllr Nash reported that Westham and Pevensey Local Transport Partnership are appealing for more volunteers and passengers. Their AGM had gone well and the accounts which have been accepted and audited are now to go before Companies House.

Cllr Perrin reported that St John the Baptist Trust run Arms Houses and their properties have been inspected and any maintenance work, needed, is to be carried out.

The Clerk and Cllr B Molog attended a Legal and Finance Training Day which specifically covered Standing Orders, VAT and village greens.

Cllr B Molog also attended the AGM of the Wealden and District Association of Local Councils where she was appointed as their Representative of the East Sussex Executive Committee. The Standards Board has now gone, rates have been frozen (but not the precept), and Localisation is expected to mean more work for Town and Parish Councils. Local Democracy Week is in October and it is hoped to engage the schools in this. They also reported a high turnover of Parish Clerks.

The meeting was then suspended.

131 Reports from County/District Councillors

County Councillor T Freebody reported that ESCC Cabinet is to meet the next day and formalise this year's 'in year' cuts. Its actions are expected to be unprecedented.

132 Questions from Members of the Public

There were none.

The meeting was then re-opened.

133 Emergency Plan - Update

RESOLVED amendment 10 was approved and agreed by the Parish Council.

134 Business Plan Update

There was nothing to report on this occasion.

135 Adur Park Update

The Planning Application has been compiled and sent to Wealden.

136 Westham Pond Update

The benches are now in place and the work to the fencing is expected to be carried out in a week's time.

Councillors also considered a request from Westham Pop-In. They asked if they could buy one of the new benches by the pond as a memorial to the Chair's late husband.

RESOLVED an additional bench can be bought by the Chair of the Pop-In with a memorial plaque to her late husband on the lower wall but the original benches will remain the property of Westham Parish Council. This was carried by a vote of 7 to 3.

137 Over 60's Events

RESOLVED the proposed date for the event is 10th of June 2011 and the venue will be Westham Village Hall. The opening and closing times are to be confirmed.

The working party has received valuable assistance from Zoe Clark, Health Development Co-ordinator at Wealden District Council

Zoe has already received a positive response from the following potential exhibitors:-

WDC Home Efficiency	Abdul
WDC Benefit Advice	Jaki Hall
Trading Standards	Liz Bowring
WDC Customer Services	Karl Worman
Pension Service	Carolyne Ball
Home Improvement Loans/ Eco-Improvement	Emma Larby
Age Concern	Sue Grimer
Wiltshire Foods	Darren Sutton

The Parish Council agreed that publicity will be a crucial factor to the success of the event and the Working Party will investigate the following options:-

Print a professionally designed flyer and a poster
Ask the newsagent at Westham to insert a flyer in each newspaper they sell.
Ask the Pump to publicise the event and insert a flyer
Ask both local newspapers to promote the event.
Ask Sovereign Radio, Heart FM and BBC Sussex to promote the event.
Deliver the flyer to local care and residential homes.
See if they can have a poster and flyers on the Community Bus.
Display a poster on all the Parish Council notice boards and any other boards, subject to agreement.
Have flyers and a poster at Sharnfold Farm
Have flyers and posters at the Stone Cross and Pevensy Community Markets.
Have flyers and posters at the Mill, other pubs, shops and churches in Stone Cross, Westham, Hankham and Pevensy Bay
Utilise the Eastbourne Herald Down Your Way columns via Dave Picton and Keith Belcher

The Working Party is also to discuss;

Whether to involve a local supermarket. The events team at ASDA may be able to provide a tombola prize and other support.
Providing transport for those unable to walk or drive.
Whether to ask the Heron Pub for permission to use their car park
Looking at bus and train Options
Asking the Westham WI for help with refreshments.
How many exhibitors the hall can hold.
Any infrastructure required at the hall.
Which local businesses and organisations to invite.

The Working Party hopes to be in a position by the September 2010 Full Council Meeting to present a financial breakdown of the estimated cost to stage the event.

138 School Council Meetings

RESOLVED the Clerk will look into cookery lessons for children in the school holidays perhaps involving the older members of the community.

RESOLVED the Clerk will look into the practicalities of holding Street Dance classes with Street Dances 4 All in the Amenity Hall in the School Holidays.

139 Tree Report

RESOLVED the Tree Warden will work with Chaffins to produce this year's Tree Survey Report.

140 'Slow Children' Signs

RESOLVED the Parish Council will give the signs, which remind drivers to slow down as there are children crossing roads on the estates, to Red Dyke, Foxes Hollow and Castle Bolton Residents' Associations and the Residents' Associations will put up the signs on their estates. The signs were donated by ESCC.

141 Questions From Members

Cllr Perrin asked if the Community Bus should be able to pick up from bus stops. Cllr Nash said they can pick up from some bus stops.

Cllr Bruce asked what is happening planning wise at 125 Rattle Road.

Cllr Nash asked that lighting column 6 at Rattle Road/Gallows Lane is repaired as it is on constantly.

Cllr B Molog reminded those present that the Parish Council Office is closed Wednesdays and in effect the day of meetings and Tuesdays after meetings so the Clerk can get on.

Cllr B Molog also reported that the affordable housing email recently sent to Parish Councillors resulted in a Westham resident getting the house.

142 Planning Applications

The following planning applications were considered;

WD2010/1407F	Lion House, Lion Hill Detached garage. No objections.
WD2010/1499MAO	Warren Wood, Hailsham Road Use of land as recreational fishery connected with the erection of 10 self catering log cabins, store/office and lake pier with associated car park and landscape. No objections.
WD2010/1585F	31 Beechfield Close, Stone Cross Rear conservatory. No objections.
WD2010/1390F	26 Patcham Mill Road, Stone Cross Alteration and relocation of rear garden wall. No objections as long as this land belongs to this property.