

Minutes of the Meeting of the FULL COUNCIL held in The Amenity Hall, Stone Cross on Monday 20th June 2011

33 Present

Cllrs B Molog (Chair), M Nash, B Garner, T Bruce, G Parsons, T Comerford, J Blaker, K Sutherland, K Saxby, P Marshall, C Smith, R Perrin and B Tooley.

There were also seven members of the public, County Councillor T Freebody and A O'Sullivan (Clerk) in attendance.

34 Apologies

There were no apologies for absence.

35 Minutes

The Minutes of the Council Meeting and Annual General Meeting held on 16th May 2011 were read, confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

36 Clerk's Report

The Clerk reported the following;

The police visited and asked the Council to consider surveillance cameras in residents' homes.

The football club contract is now in place and the goalposts are being replaced following recent vandalism.

A new licence is needed for the no cold calling sign, election related work has now ceased and there have been two written complaints and four verbal complaints about the name change.

There has been one new subsidence claim and the correspondence has now been referred to the insurers. There was also a drain problem in Foxes Hollow and this has been referred via Wealden to the residents.

Rydons appear to have taken on board our suggestions following an informal meeting, their planning application is expected to be registered with Wealden the week commencing 11th July 2011 and should be with this Council for our July meeting. Their exhibition will be 14th July at the Amenity Hall.

District Commander updates are still received regularly and updates have also been received about Ketcham Corner housing.

E-planning is due to start 1st July 2011 and most of the preliminary work has now taken place.

Polegate Town Council do not want to work together on the wind turbines issue. They feel there will be more weight with two separate applications and they want to wait until the planning application has been received before they respond.

The website continues to be updated regularly and the Council passed the latest Internal Audit.

37 Disclosure of Interests

There were no disclosures of interest in any items on this agenda.

38 Reports from the Standing Committee Meetings

Cllr K Sutherland	Finance and General Purposes	13 June 2011
Cllr B Garner	Parks and Open Spaces	13 June 2011
Cllr J Blaker	Environment and Planning	13 June 2011

39 Reports on Sub-Committee Meetings Held

Cllr Molog asked Councillors to look at the Editorial policy for the newsletter in preparation for the July Committee meeting. She said the newsletter is going to be printed by an outside firm as it is not practical to print it in house. This will cost £300 for 1000 copies.

40 Reports from Outside Meetings

Councillor Nash reported that the Westham and Pevensey Local Transport Partnership is now independent. Their AGM was on 16th June and the audited accounts were approved then. The Partnership has a new Treasurer and after a special resolution they altered their Articles of Association so they can now apply for charitable status.

Councillor Molog attended the WDALC meetings on the 18th May and the 15th June, the WDALC are taking up the issue of gritting roads with ESCC. She also attended the Pevensey Town Trust meeting who are reviewing their governance.

Councillor Molog also attended the JAG meeting on the 14th June, the police are targeting low level anti social behaviour and she also attended the new councillor's session organised by NALC on 18th June where they had a very useful presentation by Patrick Coffey, former Head of Planning at Wealden.

The meeting was then suspended.

41 Reports from County/District Councillors

County Councillor T Freebody reported changes in Cabinet at ESCC. He has also been to Pevensey Fire Station and many local libraries and was very impressed at what he saw.

District Councillor B Tooley reported that former District Councillor Balsdon recently raised £1000 for Macmillan Nurses by cycling from London to Brighton.

He has addressed parking problems in Windmill Green. He reported that Cabinet have approved a Joint Waste Committee and Pam Doodes is now the Lead Member for Waste Management.

42 Questions from Members of the Public

Mr McMillan from Foxes Hollow Residents' Association asked for an update about the wall at Foxes Hollow.

Mr Deschamps thanked Councillor Tooley for solving the parking problems at Windmill Green and asked if he can do anything about the potholes. Mr Deschamps also complained about the strimming carried out recently by ESCC.

Mr Sutherland complained about the lack of action by contractors as he has trees overhanging his property.

Mr Lovell from Foxes Hollow Residents' Association asked the Council to look into the £15080 held by Wealden since 1998/99 and the £12000 from 1999/2000 (both Section 106 money). This money was originally for play equipment at Foxes Hollow and he would like to see it ring fenced to repair the wall at Foxes Hollow. He also disagreed with the amount of times the grit bins were refilled.

The meeting was then re-opened.

43 Emergency Plan - Update

Councillor Nash asked Councillors to look at the discussion paper he previously circulated and asked to arrange a meeting to discuss Emergency Recovery.

44 Committee Terms of Reference

Councillors **resolved** by a vote of 11 to 2 to accept the Committees' Terms of Reference having increased the amount to maintain open spaces to £3000.

45 Surveillance Cameras

Councillors **resolved** not to provide a camera for use in residents' homes to monitor reported anti social behaviour but agreed they are happy to consider other suggestions by the police.

46 Grit Bins

Councillors reviewed the effectiveness of the grit bins and after much discussion **resolved** by 9 votes to 2 that the bins stay.

Councillors also **resolved** by 7 votes to 6 to supply and fit an additional bin at Medina Drive

but rejected the proposal to have a bin at Windmill Green.

Councillors also **resolved** by 12 votes to 1 that the bins are filled a maximum of two times each financial year.

47 Adur Park Working Party

i: Councillors **resolved** unanimously to extend the entrance by 6' to allow a vehicle and trailer off road before opening the gate.

ii: Councillors **resolved** by 9 votes to 4 to fit a Community Shelter in Adur Park. The £10116 cost is to be funded by the Community Council, the Joint Action Group, the Quality Parish Status money and the £4000 previously earmarked for the Youth Officer.

iii: Councillors **resolved** to supply and fit one ownership sign at each entrance to Adur Park (two in total). The signs are to be the same size as the one in Butcher's Field and the Clerk will bring prices to the July Meeting.

48 Risk Assessment

Councillors **resolved** that the following issues are addressed now;

- i: A third lifebelt is to be fitted on the middle corner of Westham Pond.
- ii: The banks of the pond are to be monitored for future re-inforcement.
- iii: A fire extinguisher is to be bought for the Amenity Hall.
- iv: The meeting points are to be marked on maps in the Amenity Hall and passageway.
- v: The numbers attending public meetings are to be recorded in the minutes.
- vi: The holes where play equipment was removed in Hobney Rise are to be refilled.
- vii: The War Memorial is to have a chain link at the front as it could be possible for someone to topple backwards.

49 Terms of Reference for Working Parties

Councillors **resolved** unanimously to disband the Working Parties and bring responsibility back to the Standing Committees.

Adur Park will be the responsibility of the Parks and Open Spaces Committee, the Newsletter and Business Plan will now be part of Finance and General Purposes Committee and Risk Assessment will be part of Environment and Planning Committee.

50 Questions From Members

Councillor Tooley asked if he can forward all correspondence about Shepham Lane Wind Farm to Greg Barker MP.

Councillor Comerford asked if members are aware of some instances of anti social behaviour at Castle Bolton and that some residents in Castle Bolton are meeting Wimpey about Windmill Walk.

Councillor Saxby asked about the recent meeting between the Chair, Clerk and Rydons. He was told that although suggestions have been made, the plans are still subject to approval by the Full Council.

51 Planning Applications

The following planning application was considered;

WD2011/1175F

Allsworthy, Hailsham Road
Reinstatement of detached chalet bungalow
(destroyed for fire)

No objections as there appears to be no changes to the original footprint.

WD2011/0942F

Foords Cottage, Foords Lane, Hankham
Erection of porch to connect house to
outbuilding.

No objections as long as the structure and materials used are in keeping with its listed building status.