

**ST MARY HOO PARISH COUNCIL****MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 1 OCTOBER 2007 AT THE MEMORIAL HALL, THE STREET, HIGH HALSTOW AT 7.00 pm**

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| <b>PRESENT:</b> | Cllr Bill Budd       | Chairman    |
|                 | Cllr Bob Beckey      |             |
|                 | Cllr Paul Hassell    | From item 6 |
|                 | Cllr Mrs Kit Johnson |             |
|                 | Cllr Bill Khatkar    |             |
|                 | Mrs Roxana Brammer   | Clerk       |
| In attendance   | Mr Clive Stanley     | Webmaster   |

| <b>Item</b>          |  | <i>Action point</i> |
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| <i>Minute number</i> |  |                     |
| <i>2007/8/</i>       |  |                     |

**1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

76 All present. An apology for late arrival was received from Cllr Hassell.

**2 CASUAL VACANCY**

77 As the applicant to fill the casual vacancy had not arrived, it was agreed to defer this item.

**3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST & ALTERATIONS TO THE REGISTER**

78 Cllrs Budd and Beckey declared personal interests in item 6a(i), planning application for Fenn Farm, as living close to the application site.

**4 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 16 JULY 2007**

79 It was proposed by Cllr Beckey, seconded by Cllr Mrs Johnson and agreed that the minutes of the meeting held on 16 July 2007 be signed as a true record.

**5 MATTERS ARISING**

80 No matters were raised

As Mr Stanley was present, it was agreed to vary the order of the agenda.

**15 COMMUNICATIONS****81 b Website**

The Chairman suspended the meeting to allow Mr Stanley to speak.

Mr Stanley said the new website was now up and running. The transfer of ownership had been more difficult than had been envisaged and had cost more. The free page on the KCC Kent parishes website was also "live" and provided a link through to the St Mary Hoo website.

The Chairman thanked Mr Stanley and reconvened the meeting.

**6 PLANNING**

**a Applications**

No applications had been received.

- 81 **i MC2007/1461:** Outbuildings adjacent to Fenn Farm, Fenn Street: Alterations and additions to facilitate business operation (class B1)

No objection.

82 **b Decisions**

None notified.

83 **c Appeals and Other Matters**

None.

84 **d Licensing Applications**

None.

**2 CASUAL VACANCY**

- 85 As the applicant had arrived, it was agreed to revert to item 2 of the agenda. Mr Hassell apologised for his late arrival, he had misunderstood the start time of the meeting.

It was proposed by Cllr Beckey, seconded by Cllr Khatkar and carried unanimously that Paul Hassell be co-opted to the Council. Cllr Hassell signed his declaration of acceptance of office.

**7 FINANCE**

86 **a Bank Balances**

The bank balances as listed on appendix A were noted.

87 **b Cheques Signed Since the Last Meeting**

None

88 **c Accounts for Payment**

It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Johnson, seconded by Cllr Khatkar and agreed the accounts for payment as listed on Appendix A be approved.

**8 GRANT APPLICATIONS**

- 89 Grants had been made to various organisations the previous year. After discussion it was agreed no donations be made without an approach from the organisation

concerned.

**9 MANAGEMENT OF THE COUNCIL'S LAND AND PROPERTY**

**90 a Conservation Area**

The gate had been opened again and needed shutting and locking. Cllr Budd would attend to this. Cllr Beckey said he thought some of the weeds needed cutting back. After discussion it was agreed a management plan should be done and the Clerk would approach Martin Hall.

*BB*

*RB*

**91 b Pond**

The report by Bob the Pond Man and his quotation had been circulated and was discussed. The Clerk had submitted it for an E-on community grant but the bid had been unsuccessful. It was agreed the Clerk ask for the quotation to be broken down and for alternative quotes to be sought. A bid to Biffa would be made.

*RB*

**10 HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORT**

92 Nothing to report

**11 RURAL LIAISON COMMITTEE**

**93 a Representative's Report**

Cllr Beckey had not been able to attend the last meeting.

**94 b Rural Liaison Grant Projects**

The fingerpost was now installed and a vote of thanks was proposed to the residents who had organised it.

**12 KAPC/MAC**

**95 a Representatives' Report**

Cllr Budd reported on the last meeting. There had been the usual problems with youth and transport in the parishes. A presentation had been made by Catherine Smith.

**13 BIFFA LIAISON GROUP**

96 Cllr Khatkar reported on the last meeting. They were still on schedule.

**14 POLICE MATTERS**

**97 a Police Liaison Committee representative's report**

Cllr Mrs Johnson said the last meeting had been cancelled.

**15 COMMUNICATIONS**

**98 b Quarterly Newsletter**

It was agreed the Clerk produce a quarterly Newsletter. Cllr Mrs Johnson volunteered to deliver to half of the village.

**16 CONSULTATION**

99 No documents had been received.

**17 CORRESPONDENCE**

100 None

**18 REPORTS AND CIRCULARS**

101 The reports and circulars as listed on the agenda were received.

**19 DATE AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING**

102 Monday 3 December in the Function Room, Fenn Bell.

**20 ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

103 No matters were raised.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.35 pm

Signed .....Chairman

On the .....day of .....2007