

PLUCKLEY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON JULY 19TH 2010

Present

M Newman – **Chairman**

J Allen

C Housman

T Maddrell

No parishioners were present

J Moody

A Symonds

M Whatman

G Smith – Clerk

- 1 Apologies for absence were received from A Wickham (Vice Chairman), D Hocking and Mrs C Bell, Ashford Borough Council.
- 2 There were no alterations to the members Register of Interests.
- 3 There were no Declarations of Interest on agenda items.
- 4 There being no parishioners present there were no issues raised.
- 5 The minutes of the meeting held on June 21st were approved and signed by the Chairman. (Proposed M Whatman, Seconded C Housman)
- 6 Reports on matters arising from June 21st meeting
Managed housing for the elderly
If this scheme goes ahead it will be on the basis of a “hub” for a cluster of parishes. No site has yet been chosen by Ashford BC.
Local needs housing
A questionnaire to establish the current village demand will be circulated with the latest edition of “Communicate”. Villagers are encouraged to reply direct to Action with Communities in Rural Kent who are co-ordinating replies.
The Chairman and Vice Chairman had met the owner of a potential village site but this was not favoured by the owner who then made other suggestions.
The Council agreed to progress this at the September meeting.
Hog Fair
This had been a great success helped by the good weather on the day.
The final figures were still awaited but the profit to the village would be of the order of £3500. Jeff Moody was thanked by the Council for all his hard work in organising the event ably assisted by other councillors.
- 7 Parish Plan
Village Hall modernisation.
This had been discussed by the Trustees at the Village Hall meeting, suffice to record here that refurbishment plans are progressing.
Traffic. Proposed 50 mph limit on C roads
The Council voted (4 for, 3 against) to support KALC’s motion to NALC.

Recreation Ground

M Whatman explained progress so far including a meeting with Michelle Byrne of Ashford BC. The Grants Panel meets on July 26th and the Chairman and M Whatman will attend. A “referee” to oversee the development of the scheme was required by Ashford BC and this had been provided. Additional requirements were for a Parish Council Health and Safety Policy and Child Protection Policy. These had been provided to ABC’s satisfaction and the documents (already circulated to Councillors) were approved as Council policy from now on.

Communications

The latest edition of “Communicate” would be out within the next few days.

8 Fire extinguishers

This is largely a Village Hall matter but the Clerks paper of July 8th was adopted.

9 Planning (See attached)

10 Finance (See attached for payments agreed)

The Annual Return to the Audit Commission was approved and signed by the Chairman.

The Clerks paper of July 5th “tidying” payments to the Council’s employees was approved.

The Budget outturn for the first three months of the financial year was noted.

11 In the absence of Mrs Bell there was no Borough Councillors report.

12 Correspondence (List attached to Councillors)

Councillors took items of interest to them.

13 Future of Parish Council surgeries.

It was agreed that C Housman and T Maddrell would be available for the surgery on July 31st and that their future thereafter would be considered at the September meeting.

14 Clerks report.

The Clerk had nothing specific to report .

15 Next meeting.

September 20th 2010

If necessary the Clerk would arrange an extraordinary planning meeting.

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