

PLUCKLEY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON DECEMBER 13TH 2010

Present

M Newman – **Chairman**

J Allen

C Housman

T Maddrell

A Symonds

M Whatman

- 1 Apologies for absence, A Wickham (Vice Chairman), D Hocking, J Moody and Mrs C Bell, Ashford BC.
- 2 There were no alterations to members Register of Interests.
- 3 There were no declarations of interest on agenda items.
- 4 There were no parishioners present but see “Planning” below for comments on a parishioners behalf.
- 5 The minutes of the meeting held on November 15th were approved and signed by the Chairman. (Proposed by C Housman, Seconded M Whatman)
- 6 Matters rising from previous minutes.
Tree screen around Thorne Estate skip.
Due to the freezing weather planting is delayed until January.
Egerton music festival. (July 8th 2011)
It was agreed the organisers can hire the Hog Roast equipment for £150. The Chairman would advise them.
Village Hall refurbishment.
Some initial quotes had been provided but until they were discussed with the architect no final decision would be made.
It was agreed the architect should develop the Phase 2 proposals for a price of £600.
Recreation Ground refurbishment.
Two indicative quotes had been received, one from “Plane and Simple” and one from “Park Leisure”. Both proposed sets of play equipment would be physically examined. Messrs Newman and Whatman were charged with going ahead with ordering, purchase and installation.
- 7 Traffic issues.
Some measurements had been taken and more would follow. AWCiRK are compiling a questionnaire seeking parish views on highway matters and an inter village meeting will follow.
- 8 Housing matters.
A response from ABC is still awaited concerning our proposals.
- 9 Planning (See attached)
Mr G Mitchell of Messrs Clague addressed councillors concerning application 10/01581 Saracens Paddock. Councillors thanked him for the explanation and following further discussion, after his departure, agreed to support the proposal. With reference to appeal No. 09/00863, Daniels Farm, it was agreed that Cllr Allen’s (already circulated) comments should be sent to the Planning Inspectorate at Bristol. With reference to Sheerland Farm, 10/01516, it was noted that no apple production figures had ever been tabled yet a large cold store was approved by ABC.

It was agreed that the Council wished conditions 4 and 6 to remain. The Chairman would write to O Peel, the ABC Case Officer, to explain our thinking, after approval of his draft by councillors.

The proposal for a replica iron age fort in Frith Wood was noted but until a planning application is received no further action can be taken.

10 Finance (See attached)

The payments were agreed - also the village hall payments were agreed.

11 2011/12 Budget proposals.

The budget proposals prepared by the Clerk, Chairman and C Housman had already been circulated to councillors. Following discussion **the budget was approved** and **the proposed precept of £24,000 was agreed**. This is the same as the current years precept.

12 There was no report from Cllr Bell, Ashford BC.

13 The Clerk had nothing specific to report.

14 The correspondence list was noted.

15 Next meeting – **January 17th 2011 at 7.15 pm** (Village Hall) followed by main Council meeting at 8pm.

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