

BAPCHILD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting 29th March 2005

A Meeting of the Bapchild Parish Council was held at the Village Hall on Tuesday 29th March 2005 at 7.30p.m.

Present: Mr A Hudson (Chairman), Mrs L Trott (Vice Chair), Mr G Cooke, Mr A Smith and Mrs C Culver.

Apologies were received from Mr R Bush

Minutes of the last meeting held on 18th January 2005 previously distributed with the agenda were signed as a true record.

Matters Arising From Previous Minutes:

Footway and Highway Matters:

Overgrowth – School Lane. It was noted that this work had been done but only by flail mower which did not clear back the ground debris.

Footpath, Panteny Lane to Dully Road. It was noted that the appeal held on 25th January 2005, at Hemstead House had taken place and a number of Councillors were in attendance. The result was awaited

Common Land Registration: Nothing to report.

Caravan – Hempstead Lane: The clerk reported that no further progress reports had been received. It was agreed to obtain the current status of this enquiry from Swale Borough Council for the next meeting.

Planning Matters:

Other:

Kent Science Park – Kent & Medway Structure Plan

The Chairman verbally outlined a full report the situation to date. This included a report from the 5 Parish group, the latest position on the now published Kent & Medway Structure Plan, recent statements made by Cllr Andrew Bowles (Leader Swale Borough Council) and other Cllrs and MP's.

Kent & Medway Structure Plan. This was now published and was available on the website

Planning Decisions by Planning Authority:

192 Canterbury Road – fell Oak Tree – Refused

Pomphrey – Internally Illuminated Signs – Refused

Pomphrey – Upgrade External Cladding - Granted

Applications:

Pomphrey – Non Illuminated Sign – object, too big.

28 Randle Way – Conversion of double garage to workshop/store/office – object.

Members were concerned with regard to questions on shared access/ownership of the hard stand/driveway and also with regard to increase in traffic resultant from use as office.

46 The Street – Rear two storey ext. – No adverse observations.

Accounts:

Subsidiarity Projects/Parish Council Grants Scheme. The Clerk reported that an application had been received from the cubs/scouts. It was understood that the tents had been purchased and the Parish Council were waiting for the invoice for payment. Confirmation had been received from Swale Borough Council that full allocation of funds for the year 2004/05 had been earmarked to the Parish Council within Swale Borough Council accounts.

It was agreed that the following cheque should be drawn:

Swale Borough Council – Grounds Maintenance	£1,421.23
D Akhurst – Clerks Salary and Expenses	£2,800.00

Correspondence: It was agreed to note the following correspondence –

- 1.1. Kent Assn. Of Parish Councils -
 - 1.1.1. Parish News No's 306
 - 1.1.2. Swale Area Committee –Agenda 7/03/05
- 1.2. Swale Borough Council –
 - 1.2.1. re Code of Conduct
- 1.3. Kent County Council -
 - 1.3.1. The Road to 2006
 - 1.3.2. Kent Trails
 - 1.3.3. New and Views
 - 1.3.4. Kent Minerals & Waste Development Framawork Statement of Community Involvement
- 1.4. Kent Police -
 - 1.4.1. Swale Matters
- 1.5. Local Council Review –March '05
- 1.6. Clerks & Councils Direct Jan, March '05
- 1.7. Swale Patient Public Involvement Forum
- 1.8. Local Councils update
- 1.9. The Playing Field
- 1.10. Standards Board for England – A code for the future
- 1.11. Standards Board for England – Town & Parish Standards 03
- 1.12. DEFRA –
 - Broadband in Rural Communities
 - Clean Neighbourhoods & Environment Bill
 - Citizen Engagement & Public Services
 - Vibrant Local Leadership
- 1.13. ODPM – Freedom of Information Act 2000
- 1.14. Victim Support Swale – Donation request
- 1.15. CAB – Donation request
- 1.16. Calor – Village of the Year Competition
- 1.17. Office of HM Lord Lieutenant of Kent – invitation
- 1.18. The Swale Crime & Disorder Reduction Partnership – Audit Summary '04

Any Other Business:

Mrs Culver reported that it would be appropriate that the Parish Council designate the Anthony Room as the office of the Parish Council and that should meetings with the public be required then the attendees from the Parish Council would be the Clerk and one Member. This was agreed.

It was noted that at the next meeting of the Parish Council, the insurance premium would be required to be paid. It was agreed that the issue of Libel and Slander cover be discussed at that time.

Mrs Culver reported that she had raised the issue of vehicle parking on the double yellow lines at the junction of School Lane with the A2 with the Parking Wardens, Swale Borough Council. Members agreed that parking was currently an issue in this area and noted with thanks Mrs Culvers actions. Discussion took place as to a suggestion that the

yellow line parking restriction area be extended. This was not thought to be appropriate at this time and was therefore not agreed.

Mrs Culver reported on a Renault car parked in School Lane with body parts detached laying on the road. Mrs Culver had reported this issue to the Parking Wardens for their investigation.

Mr Cooke stated that he had received a confidential letter regarding anti-social behaviour on the open space in Randle Way. Members had received no reports recently regarding this issue.

The date of the next meeting was noted as 24th May 2005 at 7.30 p.m.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.10p.m.

Chairman.....

Date.....

