

WOODCHURCH PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES 55

Minutes of the meeting held in the Memorial Hall Annexe, Woodchurch on Wednesday 15 December 2010 at 7.30 pm

PRESENT: Mrs J Robinson (chair), Mrs J Haynes, Mr J Cridge and Mr J West

PARISH CLERK: Mrs J Batt

BOROUGH COUNCILLORS: Mrs A Hicks and Mr P Davison

COUNTY COUNCILLOR:

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC: There were 7 Members of the Public present.

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN FOR THE MEETING

As neither the Chairman nor the Vice Chairman were present Mr Cridge proposed that Mrs Joan Robinson should take the chair for the meeting. Seconded by Mrs Haynes.
Unanimous

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An Apology for Absence was received from Mr J Robinson (work commitment), Miss R Dewar (illness) and Mr A Mobbs (illness),

No apology was received from Mr McGrath or Mr Steer.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest.

i) Updating of Declarations of Interest for the Code of Conduct

Councillors are reminded that they should update their Declarations of Interest with the Monitoring Officer if necessary.

3. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the November meeting were accepted and it was unanimously agreed that Mrs Robinson should sign them as a true record of the meeting.

Proposed Mr Cridge Seconded Mrs Robinson

4. PUBLIC INTERVAL

This was omitted from the agenda in error.

Resolution: Councillors unanimously agreed to hold the Public Interval at this point in the meeting.

The meeting was opened to members of the Public present from 7.33 – 8.00 for questions and comment.

5. PLANNING

Please see attached list.

6. CORRESPONDENCE

ABC Planning and Development – Confirmation of Road Name

Paraconstruction

Hags

Sovereign

RWE npower

Letter from local resident regarding discharge of water from property onto the highway

EMAIL CORRSPONDENCE

No emails were brought to the attention of the Council.

7. ACCOUNTS TO BE PAID**Account Balance:-**

Opening Balance	£28547.81	Money Managers a/c	£30038.22
Plus Receipts	<u>27037.83</u>	Less u/c cheques	<u>1071.97</u>
	55585.64		28966.25
Less Payments	<u>26569.39</u>	Community Account	<u>50.00</u>
	<u>29016.25</u>		<u>29016.25</u>

Earmarked Funds:-

Including amounts included in 2010/2011 budget.

	Balance	+/- Nov	Balance
Election/Standards Committee	5000.00		5000.00
Bus Shelter	NIL		NIL
Contingencies	4540.74		4540.74
Community Exercise Equipment	NIL		NIL

Accounts to be Paid

PAYEE	NET £	VAT £	GROSS £	DETAILS
Mrs J Batt	551.28	3.86	555.14	Salary and Expenses
Mr D Norris	212.33		212.33	Litter Picking

Resolution: Councillors unanimously resolved to pass the above for payment.

7. **FORUM FOR EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION BETWEEN COUNCILLORS**

Mr Cridge will contact KHS and ask them to speak to the developer of the Stonebridge Inn regarding the removal of the fir trees to help reduce the flooding on Brook Street.

Mr West asked whether Councillors had any objections to the flag he is about to replace being given to the Church. No objections were raised.

The Clerk was asked to contact ABC and ask them to replace the light bulb in the lamp outside the public toilets.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.28 pm.

Signed Dated
Chairman

WOODCHURCH PARISH COUNCIL

PLANNING APPLICATION RECORD

2010

DECISIONS TAKEN AT MEETING HELD 15 DECEMBER 2010

10/01580/AS Mr A Best, re Land at North West of and adjoining, Shirkoak Park, Woodchurch, Kent
New sewerage Treatment Plant including grassed irrigation plots to replace existing facility and double door kiosk
Parish Council: Support with comments – see below
Councillors wish the application to be referred to the Planning Committee for a decision

Comments sent to the Planning Officer at Ashford Borough Council:-

Woodchurch Parish Council met last night and discussed the following application:-

10/01580/AS Mr A Best, re Land at North West of and adjoining, Shirkoak Park, Woodchurch, Kent
New sewerage Treatment Plant including grassed irrigation plots to replace existing facility and double door kiosk.

The members of Woodchurch Parish Council agreed to support the application but would like it to be referred to the Planning Committee and for them to take the following comments into consideration:-

1. The land which has been used for the sewerage plant is agricultural land, but there has been no change of use application.
2. The Sewerage Consultant has stated that the grass on the sewerage beds will be cut and removed from site at least 3 times a year. Councillors would like to know why it needs to be removed. Is the land being contaminated?
3. There has been no Wildlife Ecology Survey.
4. There are serious concerns that despite the Environment Agency's statement to the contrary, the effluent being discharged into the ditch on the Bethersden Road is not up to a dischargeable standard.
5. Serious concerns were also expressed that the work has been carried out prior to planning consent. Under the court judgement, sewage could have been removed from the site by tanker until proper consideration had been given to the planning application. Councillors would like to know what action ABC is taking to address this.

10/01594/AS Mr K Hall, Bourne House, Brook Street, Woodchurch, Ashford, Kent TN26 3SZ
Proposed single storey side extension with roof lights to the east elevation
Parish Council: Support

10/01645/AS Mr and Mrs A Laughland, Woodhouse, Shadoxhurst Road, Woodchurch,
Ashford, Kent TN26 3QP
Alterations and erection of porch together with single storey and two storey
extensions
Parish Council: Support

The following applications have been granted:-

10/00476/AS Ms N Davy, 68 Front Road, Woodchurch, Ashford, Kent TN26 3SA
Single store rear extension addition of window to second floor side elevation

10/01357/AS Canterbury Oast Trust, Rock Cottage, Highlands Farm, Highlands Lane,
Woodchurch, Ashford, Kent TN26 3RJ
Change of use of dwelling from residential to office

10/01363/AS Mr R Liddiard, Brook Farm, Brook Street, Woodchurch,
Ashford, Kent TN26 3SR
Proposed alterations to existing vehicular access, including gate, new garage,
Secure store along with office and games room over

10/00145/TP 74 Shirkoak Park, Woodchurch, Ashford, Kent TN26 3RR
T1 – Oak – To crown lift to give 1.5m clearance over building

10/00158/TC Mr C Dawes, Milllands, Bethersden Road, Woodchurch,
Ashford, Kent TN26 3QW
T1 – T4 – Poplar x 4 to fell all four trees

10/00164/TC Mr C Perry, Place Barn Farm, The Green, Woodchurch,
Ashford, Kent TN26 3PF
T1 – Ash – Crown reduction by 50%
T2 – Oak – Crown Thin
T3-4 – Oak (situated at 5 Bourne Place) – to remove branches overhanging
into Place Farm Barn

The following application has been withdrawn:-

10/01413/AS The Propane Company re 2 Harlakenden Farm, Plurenden Road, Woodchurch,
Ashford, Kent TN26 3PT
Transfer of Agricultural Occupancy Condition on WE/8/67/11 from
8 Plurenden Manor Farm Cottages to 2 Harlakenden Farm Cottages