

**MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF GREAT MONGEHAM PARISH
COUNCIL HELD ON THUR 7th APRIL 2011 AT 7.30pm AT GREAT MONGEHAM
PARISH HALL, GREAT MONGEHAM**

Present: Councillors T Madgwick B Knight T Ridyard
 P Hambrook A Hughes-Edwards P Swales

S Wells Clerk to the Parish Council PCSO Voller

1. APOLOGIES

Cllr S Manion & Dist Cllr Kenton.

2. POLICE REPORT

PCSO Voller reported that there had been one report of theft and one report of a suspicious caller in the parish since the Annual Meeting in March.

3. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

a) Minutes of the last ordinary meeting.

It was proposed by Cllr Swales and seconded by Cllr Hambrook that the minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Parish Council 3rd March 2011 at 6.00pm be signed as a true and correct record, all agreed. The Chairman signed the minutes.

b) Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting.

It was proposed by Cllr Swales and seconded by Cllr Hambrook that the minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting on 3rd March 2011 at 7.30pm be signed as a true and correct record, all agreed. The Chairman signed the minutes.

4. ACTIONS FROM LAST MEETING

Correspondence

Other

British Red Cross - Appeal for Volunteers – The Clerk had informed the author that the village news provided a leaflet delivery service. **Action Discharged**

Forthcoming Events

Great Mongeham Village Fate

The Clerk had investigated the points raised about the purchase of a marquee; she had sent a written report to all members. This was to be discussed later in the meeting. **Action Discharged**

Banner - Cllr Ridyard to make the arrangements.

Ongoing Action Cllr Ridyard

Marquee prices – Cllr Ridyard had looked into these, this was down for discussion later in the meeting. **Action Discharged**

5. CODE OF CONDUCT

- a) Register of Interest forms – a reminder to all members that you have 28 days in which to inform the monitoring officer of any changes to your register of Financial and other interest forms.

The above was noted by the members

6. PLANNING**a) Planning Applications****i) DOV/11/00146**

Proposal: Erection of a single storey side extension

Location: The Dove, Northbourne Road, Great Mongeham

After discussion of the plans it was agreed that no objections should be raised.

b) Planning Decisions

None received.

c) Correspondence**i) DDC _ Electronic Notification of Planning Applications**

Noted by the members.

d) Consultation Documents**i) Kent Design Guide: ' KENT FARMSTEAD GUIDANCE' and KENT DOWNS AONB FARMSTEAD GUIDANCE:_consultation draft**

Cllr Madgwick to read the document and respond if necessary.

Action Cllr Madgwick

7. REPORTS**a) County Cllr report**

Cllr Manion had been unable to attend but had sent a written report. 30 million pounds granted to coalfield regeneration trust, in our area this means a continuation of the bridging the gap fund. Iceland - a recent court decision confirms KCC's status as a preferred creditor. This will aid efforts to recover investments from banks concerned. The Government has announced 200 million pound fund for potholes, KCC's share about 6.6 million.

b) Dist Cllr Report

Cllr Manion had written that he had been approached by a resident concerning traffic calming. He claimed that Northbourne Road from Cherry Lane junction to Church Path is an accident black spot.

The members discussed the report briefly; they were unaware that there had been any accident reported on Northbourne Road from Cherry Lane junction to Church Path. However they hoped that the long term plans for traffic calming in the Parish would help with any problems.

c) Cllr Reports

None received.

8. HIGHWAYS**a) Potential Changes made by Cabinet to the A-board Licence**

The above was noted by the members.

b) Cllr Hughes-Edwards reported that she had had a query about the footpath behind the Three Horse Shoes. She had spoken to the PROW officer and answered the question.**9. CORRESPONDENCE****a) Correspondence needing a response/decision**

None received

b) Consultation Documents

None received

c) News letters and Circular

- i) Oast to Coast
- ii) Rural News
- iii) Clerks and Council Direct
- iv) HOSC Notes
- v) Rural News April

The above were discussed and noted by the members.

d) Other

- i) Town and Parish Council Elections – Thur 5 May 2011

The above was discussed and noted by the members.

10. FORTHCOMING EVENTS**a) Council Events**

Village Fete, the plans were in hand.

Cllr Swales suggested that the Council should start planning an event to mark the Queens Diamond Jubilee, and the Opening/Closing of the Olympics in 2012.

She also asked if the Council could consider providing a Christmas tree with lights in December.

The members felt these were good suggestion and it was agreed that both should be added to the agenda for discussion at the next meeting. **Action Sarah Wells**

b) Outside Events

Nothing planned at this time.

11. FINANCE**a) Budget**

- i) Precept Received

Noted by the members.

b) Other

- i) Purchase of a Marquee

After much discussion of the information provided by the Clerk it was proposed by Cllr Madgwick and seconded by Cllr Ridyard that the Council should formally agree to make the arrangements for the Great Mongeham Village Fete. A Fete Co-ordinator should be nominated each May to liaise with other Village organisations and make all necessary arrangements for the fete. Any financial matters would need to be agreed by the full Council All agreed.

It was proposed by Cllr Ridyard and seconded by Cllr Swales that the Council should purchase a Marquee at the cost of £413.99 that could be used for the Village Fete and other events organised by the Council. All agreed. Cllr Ridyard to make the arrangements. **Action Cllr Ridyard**

- ii) KALC Membership Pack.
- iii) Appointment of Auditor
- iv) KCC - Kent Pension Fund

The above were noted by the members.

- v) Parish Council Insurance – Due 1-6-2011.

The Clerk had obtained two quotes for parish Council insurance, Cllr Madgwick agreed to compare the cover and report back at the next meeting. **Action Cllr Madgwick**

12. PAYMENTS

			Cheque No
a) £190.78	Clerks Salary Mar 25 x 10.198	254.95	100775
	Pension contribution 6.5%	-16.57	
		<u>238.38</u>	taxable Pay
	H M Rev & Customs	<u>-47.80</u>	
		190.58	Clerks Pay
b) £47.60	H M Rev and Customs		100776
c) £45.12	Kent County Council – Pension Contribution		100777
	Clerk 6.5%	16.57	
	Council 11.2%	<u>28.55</u>	
		45.12	
d) £246.36	KALC Membership		100778
e) £114.24	Clerks Expenses		100779
	Office Allowance Jan to Mar	£75.00	
	Telephone	£6.50	
	Board Band	£10.50	
	Mileage 37 miles at 60.1	£22.24	
f) £30.00	Parish Hall Hire Jan to March		100780

It was proposed by Cllr Swales and seconded by Cllr Hughes-Edwards that the above payments should be made, all agreed.

13. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Annual meeting of the Parish Council **Wed 11th May 2011 at 8.00pm**

Ordinary Meetings

Thur 2nd Jun

Thur 7th Jul

Thur 1st Sept

Thur 6th Oct

Thur 3rd Nov

Thur 1st Dec

Before closing the meeting the Chairman thanked Cllr Hughes-Edwards and Swales for their service to the council as they had decided not to stand for re-election.

The meeting closed at 8.15pm