Minutes of the Meeting of the FULL COUNCIL held in the Amenity Hall, Stone Cross on Monday 20 October 2008

183 Present

Cllrs B Molog (Chair), M Nash, T Comerford, D Molog, T Bruce, G Parsons and B Tooley.

184 Apologies

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from K Sutherland, K Saxby, P Marshall, D Picton and R Perrin.

185 Minutes

The Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 15 September 2008 were read, approved and signed.

186 Matters Arising

The Clerk said the new web site is currently under construction and it is hoped that it will be up and running by the new year.

187 <u>Disclosure of Interests</u>

None.

The meeting was suspended.

188 PCSO Jamie Harwood

J Harwood apologised for not attending the previous meeting. He explained that Pevensey, Westham, Stone Cross and Hankham is all classed as one ward by the police and distributed a crime report to those councillors present.

There has been a small increase in 'Other than dwellings' crime and alarms for sheds and garages are available from the police for a small charge.

Neighbourhood watch is to be relaunched and there has not been a lot of anti-social behaviour. He gave the Clerk Halloween leaflets to give to members of the public.

He also assured those present he is currently working to alleviate the parking problems at Pevensey and Westham School and hopes to move onto the other schools in the Parish after.

The meeting was then re-opened.

189 Correspondence

The Clerk read from the attached correspondence list and the correspondence was noted and/or referred to the relevant committees.

B Molog asked the Clerk to write to J Rich and thank her for her time and work as a Parish Councillor.

190 Reports from Committee Meetings

The minutes of the Committee Meetings were received and the recommendations adopted;

D Molog Environment and Planning 13 October 2008
T Comerford Finance and General Purposes 13 October 2008
B Tooley Parks and Open Spaces 13 October 2008

191 Reports on Sub-Committee Meetings Held

There were no Sub Committee Meetings but M Nash reminded those present there is to be an training exercise soon as part of the Emergency Plan. The Westham Parish Council Emergency Plan is shown to others by Wealden as a good example.

192 Reports from Outside Meetings

M Nash said the Transport Partnership desperately needs more telephone operators. The Transport Partnership is still looking into operating a Saturday service which, despite reactions form Eastbourne Buses and Cavendish, could provide a service to include Pevensey Bay, Westham, Asda and Langney Shopping Centre.

B Molog reported that Pevensey Town Trust met and are looking into fund raising.

The meeting was then suspended again.

193 Reports from County/District Councillors

There were no formal reports from the County or District Councillors but K Balsdon and D Dear sent their apologies.

194 Questions from Members of the Public

Mr Smith reported that the Gallows Lane hedge needs cutting as people are having to walk on the verge. He also asked that the path is swept up after.

P Bounds said the footpath from Springfield Close to Rattle Road needs clearing as do the nettles at Pevensey Park Road. She also asked for the lifebelt to be replaced at Westham Pond.

The meeting was then re-opened.

195 Emergency Plan - Update

This was covered under 'Reports from Outside Meetings'.

196 Business Plan

Members accepted the Draft Business Plan previously circulated and asked the Clerk to ask Trevor Leggo to talk to the Parish Council about the next stage.

197 **Training Needs**

Councillors felt they needed training in the following areas;

- 1: Chairing Meetings
- 2: Budgeting and Budgetary Control
- 3: Employment Law

The Clerk is to arrange as appropriate.

198 **Questions From Members**

T Comerford said the Castle Bolton verges have not been cut nor the roads swept since April. Councillors resolved that the Clerk contact

C Cllr Simon Radford Kirby to see if he can help speed up the and find out why. process

- G Parsons asked for an update on the fitting of the Cold Calling Signs.
- D Molog felt the Council can make more use of The Pump.

199 Planning Applications

The following planning applications were considered by the Council.

WD08/2598F 1 Cotswold Close, Eastbourne

Construct a first floor extension over the existing garages to provide sufficient room for a through floor lift providing disabled access to the first floor, 2 bedrooms and an en-suite bathroom. The whole proposal is primarily to provide disabled access, bedroom and bathroom facilities for the

client's son.

Councillors feel this is an overdevelopment and not appropriate to the street scene. It is also felt that it alters

the landscape.

WD08/2440F Castle View Caravan Site

Change of use required is the substitution of 75 touring caravans and awnings on

centre section of the site.

No objections.

The following determinations were noted;

WD08/1061F Grey Tower Caravan Park

Use of land for siting of a static caravan for

residential use by Park Warden and continued use of Reception Cabin.

Granted.

WD08/2176F 9 Beaulieu Drive, Stone Cross

Single storey conservatory to rear elevation.

Granted.

WD08/2080F Units 3, 4, 8 and 9, Unit X, Westham

Business Park

Change of use from light industrial unit to car showroom parts and service bay.

Granted.

WD08/2068F Bishopstone, Lion Hill

Conversion of part double garage to form

new sunroom.

Granted.