

**Draft Minutes of the Meeting of the FULL COUNCIL held in
The Amenity Hall, Stone Cross on Monday 15 March 2010**

391 Present

Cllrs B Molog (Chair), M Nash, D Molog, K Sutherland, B Garner, T Bruce, G Parsons, K Saxby, T Comerford, R Perrin and B Tooley.

392 Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from P Blaker and P Marshall and these were accepted by the Full Council.

393 Minutes

The Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 18 January 2010 were read, confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

394 Matters Arising

None.

395 Disclosure of Interests

None.

396 Correspondence

The Clerk read from the attached correspondence list and the correspondence was noted.

397 Reports from Committee Meetings

T Comerford	Finance & General Purposes	8 March 2010
B Tooley	Parks and Open Spaces	8 March 2010
D Molog	Environment and Planning	8 March 2010

398 Reports on Sub-Committee Meetings Held

None.

399 Reports from Outside Meetings

Westham and Pevensey Local Transport Partnership are appealing for more passengers.

Pevensey Town Trust are continuing to look into ways of restoring the Market Square to its original use.

Sussex Police offered the Parish Council the opportunity to be members of an initiative where the police can be contacted directly in their police vans and routed to problem areas.

RESOLVED to register an interest in the initiative subject to more information about the cost.

The meeting was then suspended.

400 Reports from County/District Councillors

County Councillor T Freebody and District Councillor D Dear sent their apologies.

District Councillor L McKeever spoke about the 2.7% rise in Council Tax which was largely due to unavoidable increases and funding decreases from the Government. £60000 was saved with the Transformation Project and financial savings were also made in recycling.

District Councillor K Balsdon asked the Parish Council to contact him if they have any problems with Wealden and he will do all he can to help. Recent problems at Pevensey and Westham School are reported to have been overcome with the help of the MP.

401 Questions from Members of the Public

Mr Thompson reported that a street light at the junction of Hankham Hall Road and Peelings Lane is buried in the trees and is therefore ineffective. He also reported that vision is poor when driving out of Peelings Lane as a hedge obstructs the view.

Mr Nixon, Mr Nourse and Mr Gladman complained about the effect the works at Tillingham Way have had on residents. Gardens are believed to be exposed and youths are reported to be climbing onto the exposed land. They asked why residents were not consulted when the land was cut back and why the fence was decimated. They feel the Parish Council's attitude was cavalier and Mr Gladman is to put their concerns in writing.

Mrs Frances felt the reasons given for the Parish Council's decision to stop contributing towards The Pump are wrong. She said The Pump contains many items about Stone Cross and is very useful to residents.

Mr Gladman and Mrs Frances both liked the recent changes to Adur Park in Friday Street.

Mr Lovell from Foxes Hollow Residents' Association asked the Parish Council to reconsider supplying grit bins in the Parish and he also reported that the condition of entrance wall at Foxes Hollow is worsening.

Mr Walker asked for speed bumps to be removed in Adur Drive.

Mr Day asked when the sign outside Stone Cross School is to be repositioned.

Mr Crew reported that the potholes in Castle View Gardens have opened up again and

asked if East Sussex County Council are aware this is a bus route.

The meeting was then re-opened.

402 Emergency Plan - Update

New Parish Lists have now been received and information packs can now be sent to new residents. Following a real life emergency in Willingdon recently the Clerk and Cllr Nash are to investigate the lessons learnt and if necessary apply them to the Emergency Plan.

The Emergency Radio is working well.

403 Business Plan Update

There was nothing to report on this occasion.

404 Adur Park Update

RESOLVED that the Clerk is to contact Barcombe for drawings to submit a planning application.

405 Westham Pond Update

The Clerk is looking at the cost of replacement benches.

406 Oaklands

RESOLVED that an extra street light will not be erected outside number 28 as it is thought to be unnecessary.

407 Agenda Change

This item was withdrawn before the meeting.

408 First Responder Scheme

Cllr Nash attended a meeting in Alfriston and said the scheme requires lots of fundraising, volunteers and training. A speaker from Eastbourne is to be invited to one of the Parish Council Meetings to talk about this further.

409 School Council Meetings

The Clerk has now met all three School Councils and found that all the children were very impressive and very inspiring.

Each school had very different requests, Stone Cross pupils are to consult their class mates and bring their ideas forward, Pevensey and Westham children would like a park in Westham and they are to consult their classmates for what they would like to see in the

park and Hankham children had various traffic concerns.

Hankham pupils would like a crossing in Hankham Road and the road gritted in the bad weather. The Clerk suggested a school crossing patrol and ESCC have subsequently carried out a survey and are investigating this further. ESCC have also added Hankham Road to their list of additional roads to be gritted.

The Clerk has also put the School in touch with the Community Bus for assistance with school trips and to encourage more pupils to take the bus to school.

Pupils from Hankham School are also to visit the Council Offices and the two school councils are to link with each other too.

410 Tillingham Way

This item was withdrawn prior to the meeting.

411 Entrance Wall at Foxes Hollow

RESOLVED the Parish Council is to appoint an independent Surveyor to see what needs to be done to repair the wall.

412 Questions From Members

Cllr Bruce reported potholes at Gallows Lane and lighting column L was also reported to be not working.

Cllr Garner asked if the state of the grass at Hankham Road and Foords Lane has been reported to ESCC.

The meeting was closed at this point and the press and public were excluded on the grounds of confidentiality.

413 Grounds Maintenance Contract

The Parish Council received six prices from contractors and their envelopes were opened at the meeting. The prices received were as follows;

Contractor A	£11574
Contractor B	£23667
Contractor C	£ 6000
Contractor D	£20415
Contractor E	£17344
Contractor F	£35000

RESOLVED the Parish Council accepted the price from Contractor A (plus £632 for mulching) on the grounds that this price was realistic and the company are local with a proven track record.

The meeting was subsequently re-opened and closed.

414 Planning Applications

The following planning application was considered;

WD2010/0535F	26 Patcham Mill Road, Stone Cross Rear conservatory and alteration to boundary wall. No objections.
WD2010/0490F	45 Rattle Road, Westham Internal alterations, ground and first floor extension. No objections.
WD2010/0467O	Warren Wood, Hailsham Road Use of land as recreational fishery Connected with the erection of 12 self catering log cabins, store/office and lake pier, with associated car park and landscaping. No objections.
WD2010/0492F	24 Church Bailey, Montague Way Install UPVC door. No objections.