

**Minutes of the Meeting of the FULL COUNCIL held in
The Amenity Hall, Stone Cross on Monday 17th January 2011**

299 Present

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

Also in attendance were C Cllr T Freebody and A O'Sullivan (Parish Clerk).

300 Apologies

Apologies for absence received from Cllrs P Marshall and K Sutherland.

301 Minutes

The Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 15th November 2010 were read, confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

302 Disclosure of Interests

Cllr Parsons declared a personal interest in the Pevensey Park Road planning application.

303 Correspondence

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

304 Reports from Committee Meetings

The following Committee Meeting Minutes were received and adopted by the Parish Council.

Cllr T Comerford	Finance and General Purposes	13 December 2010
Cllr B Tooley	Parks and Open Spaces	13 December 2010
Cllr J Blaker	Environment and Planning	13 December 2010

305 Reports on Sub-Committee Meetings Held

Cllr Nash attended the Emergency Sub-Committee Meeting on 24th November where they adjusted the Risk Analysis and prepared Amendment 11.

306 Reports from Outside Meetings

Cllr Perrin attended the St John the Baptist Meeting. They organised a Christmas tea party for their residents.

Cllrs B Molog attended the WDALC meeting. Kelvin Williams was the guest speaker and he updated members on E-Planning, Localism and Planning Charges. Through the WDALC, Cllr Molog also attended the SALC Executive Committee Meeting. This covered the Localism Bill and planning changes too.

Cllr Nash attended two Westham and Pevensey Local Transport Partnership Meetings. They are now planning to operate independently.

The meeting was then suspended.

307 Reports from County/District Councillors

D Cllr D Dear sent her apologies.

C Cllr Tony Freebody updated those present on the latest Government cuts at ESCC which in real terms are worse than have been reported.

308 Questions from Members of the Public

None.

The meeting was then re-opened.

309 Emergency Plan - Update

RESOLVED that Amendment 11 was accepted as were the changes to the Risk Analysis.

Cllr Nash is to attend an Emergency Plan Meeting at Eastbourne Town Hall on 25th January 2011 and the PENG Annual Meeting on 16th March 2011. He is also now working on Amendment 12.

310 Business Plan Update

A meeting has been arranged with Trevor Leggo to update the Business Plan.

311 Adur Park Update

RESOLVED that ESCC will fit a double headed light at Adur Park for £460 as per the request from Red Dyke Residents' Association.

312 Risk Assessment

Having taken into account all the recommendations, the Risk Assessment Working Party met and agreed to use the Health and Safety Policy Statement Form, and the Risk Assessment Forms proposed by Gerry Garner.

RESOLVED the Parish Council adopted the Health and Safety Policy Statement Form and the Risk Assessment Forms attached.

313 Adur Park Basketball Court

RESOLVED the Clerk will ask the contractor who submitted the cheapest price to confirm his price includes smoothing the edges and then report back at the next Full Council Meeting.

314 Grit Bins

This winter, the Parish Council has spent nearly £3500 on grit so far but this has kept the estates open in the severe weather.

315 Pay Review Meeting

RESOLVED the Pay Review Meeting will consist of the Chair and Vice Chair of the Parish Council and the Chair of the Finance and General Purposes Committee, the Chair of the Parks and Open Spaces Committee and the Chair of the Environment and Planning Committee. A meeting is to be arranged soon.

316 Royal Gifts to Children

Westham Parish Council considered marking the Royal Wedding by giving the children in the Parish a souvenir of the event but **RESOLVED** that this was not a justifiable expense in the current climate.

317 Power of Wellbeing

RESOLVED that Westham Parish Council adopts the Statement of Intent for Community Engagement, it meets the eligibility criteria and formally adopts the Power of Wellbeing.

318 Questions From Members

The Clerk asked and the Parish Council agreed that the children's newsletter drafted by Joseph O'Sullivan and Rebecca Coode can be handed out at School Council Meetings.

Cllr Saxby asked ESCC to repair the drain by the Dittons Road/Mimram Road roundabout, the lights at the Red Lion crossroads and the verge in Hankham Road near Milton Street.

He also asked if Wealden can check that Saxons have planning permission for the number of caravans they have on site.

Cllr Bruce asked that Stone Cross Nursery refill the plant pots at Westham and offered to fill them herself if they don't have the time but can supply the plants.

Cllr Nash asked if Councillors are aware that although there is a notice up, works have yet to start at St John's Road.

Cllr Tooley asked that A Partnership Sign for Contractors is included on the next Parks and

Open Spaces Committee Agenda, the Over 60's Event is on the next Full Council Meeting Agenda and The Pump is on the next Finance and General Purposes Committee Agenda.

319 Planning Applications

The following planning applications were considered;

WD2010/2736FA – 125 Rattle Road, Westham – Variation of Condition 5 of planning permission WD/2010/0107/F (proposed new barn and farm track from existing field entrance gate to proposed barn) to enable end feeding bay to be used as shelter for cows/calves.

We have no objections to this application.

WD2010/2878O – Land adjacent 1 Mill Hill Cottages, Hankham Hall Road – Erection of dwelling within domestic curtilage

Westham Parish Council objects to this application for the following reasons;

1: It is out of keeping with other dwellings in the immediate vicinity. These are bungalows and cottages.

2: It is an eight metre high dwelling situated beyond the existing building line.

3: Existing houses could be overlooked and deprived of light and privacy.

4: It is in open countryside and out of the development boundary.

5: The supporting statement identifies a need for affordable housing in this area. Does this proposal meet the need of the local area and sustainable communities? There are a large number of residents on the Wealden waiting list.

WD2010/2837AIR – Glyndley Garden Centre, Hailsham Road – Part retrospective application for replacement shop front and gate signs and new totems required as part of site redevelopment (previously approved).

There were no objections to this application.

WD2011/0058F – 25 Pevensey Park Road – Erection of single storey extension and conservatory at rear.

There were no objections to this application.