

**Minutes of the Meeting of the FULL COUNCIL held in
The Village Hall, Westham on Monday 18th April 2011**

388 Present

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

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

389 Apologies

Apologies for absence received from Cllr B Tooley.

390 Minutes

The Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 21st March 2011 were read, confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

391 Clerk's Report

Councillors have carried out a site visit to look at the open space in Tillingham Way, this is covered elsewhere on the agenda. The police have been asked to remove the accident signs in Hankham.

The latest Active Play session was very successful and gave children the opportunity to play on skate ramps and bmx bikes. The next session is on Thursday 21st April at 10am.

Following the Full Council Meeting of 20th September 2010, a complaint was made by two councillors about the conduct of another during and after that meeting.

The Standards Hearing found the councillor to be in breach of paragraphs 5 and 3 (1) of the Code of Conduct and censured him.

As a result they also recommended conciliation between those involved and asked the Clerk to formulate a training programme on the Code of Conduct for ALL the Council.

392 Disclosure of Interests

None.

393 Correspondence

It was agreed that, in line with the recommendations in the Good Councillor's Guide, 'Correspondence' will no longer be an agenda item but will be covered under 'Clerk's Report on Matters Arising'.

394 Reports from Committee Meetings

There have been no Committee Meetings since the last Full Council Meeting.

395 Reports on Sub-Committee Meetings Held

There were no reports from Sub-Committee Meetings.

396 Reports from Outside Meetings

Cllr B Molog attended the latest SALC meeting which talked about 'Homeworks' which is housing support for sixteen to sixty four year olds.

The Clerk and Cllr Parsons attended an informal meeting with the developers Rydons. Rydons are thinking of building a hundred and nineteen homes south of Rattle Road so Cllr Parsons asked that they consider bigger gardens, larger garages, better parking and community facilities for the over 8's. She requested that the Community Council has copies of any plans for any constructions such as walls and that any commuted sums are received before the Section 106 is signed.

Cllr Nash attended the latest Westham and Pevensy Local Transport Partnership meeting. They are still seeking independence.

Cllrs Saxby and Tooley attended the East Sussex Area Forum. The details of the Localism Bill are still not known. There was an interesting presentation on Century 21.

The meeting was then suspended.

397 Report from the PCSO

PCSO Ali Shadbolt asked for volunteers to complete the form headed 'Community Contact and Operation Blitz'. She detailed a few instances of minor crime in the parish and said that when asked at the JAG meeting, children said they would like a football cage, a community shelter or a skate ramp

398 Reports from County/District Councillors

C Cllr Tony Freebody said there have been no meetings at ESCC but he did attend the Streets For All Seminar. They described the streets as places in their own right and suggested they need to be redesigned with less street furniture.

399 Questions from Members of the Public

A Painter from Red Dyke Residents' Association asked if the contractors working on the new school hall can be asked to keep the nearby streets cleaned whilst the hall is being built. She also said that the Residents' Association is considering creating a picnic area in Adur Park.

P Bounds reported instances of Cold Calling in Westham and asked for a sign to be erected on the Eastbourne Road.

A Lovell from Foxes Hollow Residents' Association queried the amount paid for grit over the winter period.

S Baird asked that when the Community Council considers changing its name back again will it bear in mind that Westham Parish Council is a historical name and it should be that.

The meeting was then re-opened.

Cllr Sutherland left the meeting.

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400 Emergency Plan - Update

It was **resolved** to accept the revised Emergency Plan.

Cllrs Sutherland and Saxby returned to the meeting.

401 Recording Council Meetings

After much discussion Councillors **resolved** not to record future meetings

402 Westham Pond

Councillors **resolved** to buy three new 'No Fishing' signs and erect them in the pond. Previous signs have been fitted next to the pond but were removed by persons unknown.

403 Security at Tillingham Way

Councillors **resolved** that apart from clearing the ditch under the road, cutting back the tree and better management of the site, no further action will be taken at this point in time.

404 Adur Park

After much discussion Councillors **resolved** that the Clerk finds out costs of football cages, community shelters and skate ramps and reports these back at the next meeting.

405 Community Information Day

Councillors **resolved** to cancel the Community Information Day, formerly the Over 60's Event. This was due to the lack of volunteers.

406 Questions From Members

Cllr Garner asked if members are aware that Chaffins have now planted the trees they donated in Adur Park.

Cllr Comerford had concerns about the infrastructure should Rydens develop the area south of Rattle Road.

Cllr Saxby asked if members are aware that the mast at Shepherd's Lane is a wind test mast and that Westham Parish Council was created as a Civil Council in 1894.

Cllr Bruce asked for the dates for the Code of Conduct training.

Cllr Sutherland named the three Councillors involved in the Standards' Committee Hearing as Cllrs D Molog, T Comerford and K Saxby and asked if they are all prepared to undertake the Mediation Training recommended by the Hearing. Cllrs Saxby and Comerford said they are not.

407 Planning Applications

The following planning applications were considered;

WD2011/0721F – 25 Nutley Mill Road, Stone Cross – Rear conservatory

We have no objections to this application.

WD2011/0748F – Hilliers Garden Centre – Conservatory display

There were no objections to this application.