Meeting No 2

SHORNE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on 11 July 2013 in Shorne Village Hall

PRESENT	Mr M Brett (Chairman) Mr B Wilkinson Mr D Hart Mr R Dinnis Mr R Cooper Mrs H Shove
ALSO IN ATTENDANCE	County Cllr B Sweetland PCSO Claire Crowcher Miss P Clifton, 1 Hanbury Cottages, The Ridgeway Mrs Audrey Wendon, Mrs Christine Powers Mrs Carol Kennerly, Mr Jason Connor
APOLOGIES	Mr R Theobald, Mr J Pooley and Mrs T Martin (Clerk)

10 Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 23 May 2013

The minutes were AGREED and signed as a true record.

11 Matters arising from the Minutes

There were no matters arising from the Minutes.

12 Footway at Top of Forge Lane

The matter is still in the hands of Rebecca Bailey, Traffic Engineer at KCC to apportion any works necessary for the remedial works to be carried out to amend the situation.

13 Crabbles Bottom

Spraying of the ragwort has been completed.

14 Shornemead Crossing

Nothing further to report.

15 Lower Thames Crossing

No further update. The matter is still under discussion.

16 Gravesham Local Development Framework

No further update.

17 Wall at Village Hall, Adjacent to 14 The Street

Trial holes have been dug to establish the current structure. Mr Theobald and Mr Bugg will produce a specification prior to obtaining quotations for the repairs.

18 Report by County Cllr B Sweetland

Cllr Sweetland reported on budget cuts and the breakdown of services. He also gave an update on the Lower Thames Crossing.

19 Planning & Highways Committee

No report as Chairman absent.

20 Footpaths, Properties & Greens Committee

(a) It was suggested that that the Payback Scheme might be used to trim footpaths.

21 Meetings of Outside Bodies

No meetings of Outside Bodies reported.

22 Finance

(a)	Talk Talk	Account (June'13)	£ 35. 02
	(Paid by DD)	VAT	£ 7. 00
			£ 42. 02
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(b)	Talk Talk	Account (July'13)	£ 36. 83
	(Paid by DD)	VAT	£ 7. 37
			£ 44. 20
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(c) The following accounts were passed for payment and cheques issued.

Geerings	Photocopier (April 2013)	£ 8. 89
	VAT	£ 1. 77
		£ 10. 66
Norris & Fisher	Additional Insurance Premium	£ 31. 47
(For 2 New Notice Boards & Fencing & Locks at Crabbles Bottom)		
Northfleet Press	1250 Leaflets for Lower Thames Crossing Public Meeting on 18 June 2013	£ 86. 00
Mrs T Martin	Payment to Caretaker for arranging chairs at Village Hall for Public Meeting on 18 June 2013	£ 20. 00
Mrs T Martin	Postage & Stationery	£ 33. 87
Ashby Caterers	Refreshments for Civic Service on 30 June 2013	£ 65. 00
Louise Lawrence	Flowers for Civic Service on 30 June 2013	£ 20. 00
Mrs T Martin	Salary - July' 2013	£ 750. 68
	Less Tax	- 79. 30
		£ 671. 38
Inland Revenue	Tax deducted from Clerk's Salary	£ 79. 00
	PC's Contributions for NI	£ 15. 13
		£ 94. 13
Mrs T Martin	Salary - August' 2013	£ 750. 68
	Less Tax	- 79. 30
		£ 671. 38
Inland Revenue	Tax deducted from Clerk's Salary	£ 79. 00
	PC's Contributions for NI	£ 15. 13
		£ 94. 13

23 Correspondence

(a) From Sharon Donald, Housing Strategy & Development Manager, GBC, advising that regarding the undertaking of a Rural Housing Needs survey in Shorne, a copy of the letter which will accompany the survey is enclosed.

(b) From Natural England re: Chattenden Woods & Lodge Hill Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI) - Extension of Consultation Period, advising that it is expected that the survey reports will be available from the first week in July.

24 Matters Raised by Members

(a) Mr Dinnis reported that he proposes to produce regular reports on Shorne current affairs. The Chairman gave his blessings on this.

25 Matters Raised by Parishioners

(a) Mrs Audrey Wendon complained about refuse in The Street. She was advised that this is dealt with by Kent Highways/Gravesham Borough Council.

(b) Mrs Christine Powers enquired about the interactive speed sign at The Ridgeway. Cllr Sweetland advised that there has been agreement to finance this project with a 50% Grant. Mrs Powers would also like the tall trees opposite trimmed down.

(c) Mrs Carol Kennerly also complained about the eyesore in The Street opposite The Rose & Crown. She was informed that this was a long-term planning issue.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.35pm.