Meeting No 3

SHORNE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on 24 September 2015 in Shorne Village Hall

PRESENT	Mr R Theobald (Chairman) Mr J Bugg, Mr D Hart Mr R Cooper Mr G Dent Mr R Lane Mr M Redfern Mrs S Lindley Miss P Clifton
ALSO IN ATTENDANCE	Mr and Mrs Rowe of The Clock House Shorne Ridgeway
APOLOGIES	for absence were received from KCC Cllr B Sweetland
PARISH CLERK	The Parish Clark was unable to attend the meeting.

28 Swearing-In of Co-Opted Members

Miss Pauline Clifton and Mr Martin Edmond Redfern were sworn in before the Chairman.

29 Minutes of the Meeting held on 9 July 2015

The minutes were AGREED and signed as a true record.

30 Matters Arising from the Minutes

(a) County Council Boundary Review - Mr Theobald reported that the Council had lodged an objection to the proposed changes to the County Council ward boundaries. It was understood that Higham Parish Council had also objected.

31 Crabbles Bottom (13) - Mr Lane reported he had contacted Julian Houghton a local farmer regarding possible grazing but he had been advised the land was not really suitable. Mr Redfern asked if the area was a former orchard and it was confirmed that

it was. He wondered if it had the potential to be developed into a community orchard. A site meeting was to be arranged.

32 **Shorne Mead Level Crossing (14) -** It was noted that the Council had won the appeal against the County Council refusal to add the route to the Definitive Map. Following the recommendation of the Footpaths, Properties and Greens Committee, it was agreed that a meeting would be arranged with a rights of way consultant to review the evidence in anticipation of Public Enquiry.

33 **Lower Thames Crossing (15) -** Several members had used the Dartford Crossing since the tolls had been removed and the works completed. It was generally considered to be a significant improvement, but it was noted that the north bound carriageway was still congested on most evenings.

34 **Gravesham Local Plan (16)** - There was nothing further to report

35 **Park Pale (17) -** Mr Lane commented that the situation regarding motor cycle nuisance had significantly improved as a result of police action. A report following the meeting on 1st September had been circulated. Members were reminded of the request from for the waiting restriction from Brewers Road to be extended. This was referred to the Planning and Highways Committee.

36 **Neighbourhood Plan (18)**

Mr Lane suggested the setting up of a working group to investigate feasibility, benefits or possible drawbacks to an embarking on the preparation of a Neighbourhood Plan. Mr D Hart, Mrs S Lindley and Mr R Theobald agreed to work with Mr R Lane on the working group.

37 **Boundary Review (19)**

No further correspondence had been received from the Boundary Commission.

38 **Website (20)**

Mr Lane had added some information to the website. Members who had recently viewed the website agreed this was an improvement.

39 **Report by County Cllr B Sweetland (21)**

Apologies were received from County Councillor Brian Sweetland

40 **Planning & Highways Committee (22)**

Mrs Lindley gave a report on behalf of the Planning & Highways Committee. Six applications had been commented on since the last meeting,

2014/0816 (revised) 6 Wykeham Close, Shorne West – front porch, the Council's objection had been maintained.
2015/0719 Brackenside, Pear Tree Lane – replacement house, this was a modern out of character design and an objection had been lodged
2015/0722 Green Acres, Woodlands Lane – conversion of integral garage, new garage no objection was recorded
2015/0632 Willow Barn, Ifield Farm – small extension- no objection was recorded.
2015/0838 12 Crown Green, Shorne – increased ridge height, roof dormers, this was a very large ill proportioned dormer and an objection had been lodged.
2015/0891 St Govans, Swillers Lane – side extensions (reapplication), the side extension had been reduced in size to miss a drain and no objection was recorded.

The inspector's report following the hearing into re-consideration of the appeal into the development of the land adjoin the See Ho had been received and the appeal had again been dismissed. The Green Belt in this area had been endorsed. The Council had been represented at the hearing by Robin Theobald and Susan Lindley and supported by Chris Fribbins Vice-Chair of DCPS)

41 Footpaths, Properties & Greens Committee (23)

Mr Lane gave a report on behalf of the Footpaths, Properties & Greens Committee. It was noted a number of items had already be dealt with earlier in the agenda.

The new notice board had been installed in Thong Lane on the site adjoining the post box.

Members were reminded that there was to be a litter pick on 10 October 2015. The high-viz vests had been delivered.

Mr Redfern commented that following the Footpaths meeting having been supplied with an abstract from the 1:10,000 map he had walked Court Wood and he considered the paths were generally as shown on the Map.

Mr Bugg commented that the company were due on site the next day (25th September 2015) to pump out the soak away in the Village Hall Car Park.

42 Meeting of Outside Bodies (24)

There were no meetings of Outside Bodies attended by anyone.

43 Finance (25)

(a)	Public Works Loans Board (PWLB)	9th Repayment on Loan (Paid By Direct Debit)	£1623. 48
(b)	Talk Talk (Paid by DD)	Account (September'15)	£ 32. 54
		VAT	£ 6. 51
			£ 39. 05
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(c)	Talk Talk (Paid by DD)	Account (October'15)	£ 35. 22
		VAT	£ 7. 04
			£ 42. 26
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(d)	H & P Conservation-works Ltd (Paid from Nationwide Crabbles Bottom A/C)	Second cut of annual vegetation clearance + cut of small spur path at Crabbles Bottom. VAT	£195. 00
			£ 39. 00
			£234. 00
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(e) The following accounts were passed for payment and cheques issued.

Viking Direct	Cartridge of Printer	£ 54. 44
	VAT	£ 10. 89
		£ 65. 33
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Floyd Electrical	Works on 2 Manhole Covers in Car Park	£256. 00
	VAT	£ 51. 20
		£307. 20
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Elite Indus Supplies (Mr R Lane)	Hi Viz Vests for P Cllrs & Volunteers	£131. 87
	VAT	£ 26. 38
		£158. 25
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Cleansing Services Group	Remove & Disposal of silt and debris from manhole in Village Hall Car Park	£800. 50
	VAT	£160. 10
		£960. 60
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PKF Littlejohn LLP	Audit Fee	£200. 00
	VAT	£ 40. 00
		£240. 00
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All Seasons Property Maintenance (John Vilday)	S/F felt on bus shelter in Tanyard Hill with new fascia boards	£152. 00
All Seasons Property Maintenance (John Vilday)	Clean play equipment at Mill Hill Lane, clear weeds and apply weed killer	£ 70. 00
All Seasons Property Maintenance (John Vilday)	Vegetation works around car park at Shorne Village Hall	£ 54. 00
All Seasons Property Maintenance (John Vilday)	Supply 2 concrete spur posts and erect new Notice Board at Thong	£ 188. 00
Shorne Parish Council	VAT Paid Back - H & P Conservationworks 2nd Cut carried out at Crabbles Bottom	£ 39. 00
Northfleet Press	Printing of 1000 Annual Reports	£1150. 00
Mrs T Martin	Postage & Stationery	£ 55. 69
Mrs L Brown	Bus Shelter Cleaning	£ 61. 00
Mrs T Martin	Salary - Sept' 2015 Less Tax	£ 800. 60 - 92. 95 £ 707. 65 ======
Inland Revenue	Tax deducted from Clerk's Salary PC's Contributions for NI	£ 92. 95 £ 18. 99 £ 111. 94 ======
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44 <u>Correspondence</u>

There were no items of correspondence.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.45 pm.