

**HADLOW PARISH COUNCIL
PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE
Minutes of the Meeting of Tuesday 25 March 2014**

Present: Cllrs D Carey (Chairman), E Bright, Mrs Bright, D Hammond, Mrs J Massy, R Morley

In attendance: Melanie Stepkowski (Parish Clerk), Cllrs P Jones, S Richardson

		Action
2900	Apologies For Absence Accepted: Cllr N Collins	
2901	Minutes of the Meeting of Tuesday 25 February 2014 These were confirmed and signed as a correct record. Proposed Cllr Carey, Seconded Cllr Bright and carried unanimously.	
2902	Declarations Of Interest None.	
2903	Matters Arising from the Minutes of 28 January 2014: <u>Minute 2898 Cllr Sergison – River Bourne Enquiry</u> Further correspondence from Sir John Stanley had been received enquiring as to any specific action the Parish Council wished to see taken to improve flood protection for Hadlow. The MP had also confirmed he had previously made several representations for the area; Councillors agreed that it would be prudent to ask for details of the existing representations and indeed the letter sent to Sir John from Borough Cllr Janet Sergison before responding. In the mean time Cllr Carey would discuss the recent events with residents who were affected by the flooding. <u>Minute 2899 Golden Green Football Team</u> - Councillors agreed that the extra pitch usage would be too intensive and therefore not viable. It was agreed that if a vacancy became available the Golden Green team would be notified.	Clerk Clerk
2904	New Applications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● TM/14/00422/FL – Part first floor, part two storey side extension. Robin House, Ashes Lane, Hadlow, TN11 9QU. HPC Object – Inappropriate development within the Green Belt ● TM/14/00594/FL – Change of use to use as a child minders facility in addition to existing residential use. 1 Pierce Mill Cottages, Pierce Mill Lane, Hadlow, TN11 0LA. HPC Agree ● TM/14/00903/TNCA – 1 no. Large Elder tree adjacent to the rear right boundary – fell to near ground level. St Marys Church, Church Street, Hadlow, TN11 0DB HPC Agree 	
2905	Planning Application Results & Planning Enforcements Planning Application Results Noted.	

2906	<p>TMBC Area Planning Committees & List Bs</p> <p>List B – noted.</p> <p>Area 1 Planning Committee, Thursday, 3rd April, 2014, 7.30 pm</p>	
2907	<p>KCC Highways</p> <p>Legal Services Issue 7 – Spring 2014 Property & Planning Law Update. Noted.</p>	
2908	<p>Non Planning Issues</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <u>Williams Field – Phase 2 Skate Park/Play Area</u>: Planting between the wheeled sports facility and housing had been completed and gratitude expressed to parishioners of all ages for their assistance. ● <u>Hy-Arts Centre & Village Hall</u> - Nothing to report. ● <u>Allotments</u>: Visual inspection due. ● <u>Signpost Field</u>: Planning & Environment Meeting to be arranged for Golden Green to incorporate inspection of playing field. ● <u>Old School Hall</u> – Nothing to report. <p><u>St Mary’s Churchyard</u> – In response to a resident’s enquiry it was confirmed that the trees on the West side of the churchyard were not scheduled for pollarding; these would be looked at again at the next tree audit due later in the year.</p> <p>Wild Flower Area - The Clerk was asked to schedule the yearly cut for September end in future and to ensure that the cuttings were raked and removed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <u>Footpaths</u>: Access Trail & MT136: A visual environmental inspection had been done by Cllr Bright, The Clerk, PCSO Toni Matthew and the TMBC Dog Warden at the Access Trail and MT136 heading towards Golden Green. The broken bridge in Golden Green was noted and members reminded that PROW were aware of the matter but repairs were currently restricted due to lack of budget. The bridge on the Victoria Road was now open but the public footpath from there heading towards Hadlow remained narrow at points partly due to the erosion caused by recent excessive water flow. ● <u>Trees</u> – Cllr Carey confirmed that the last tree audit did not highlight any safety issues with the trees on the allotment border with the A26. <p>Tree Audit – This would be scheduled for later in the year.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <u>Village Ramble Pamphlets</u> – These had been proof read and would soon go to the printers. Printing costs would be covered by the TMBC Traders Fund. ● <u>Pound House – Parking Enquiry</u> The Parish Office had received numerous enquiries as to why the land in front of Pound House could not be used for parking. This had been addressed at the Regeneration Meeting held on 25/11/2013 at which TMBC Cllr John Balcombe (Cabinet Minister for Economic Regeneration) confirmed he would approach the appropriate department within Tonbridge & Malling 	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p> <p>Clerk</p>

	<p>Borough Council to liaise with Russet Homes (Circle).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>TMBC Local Plan</u> It was agreed to invite the members of TMBC who had been present at the November meeting to attend the Annual Parish Meeting in order that parishioners had an opportunity learn more about future possible plans and development before the plan was taken to the next stage. • River Bourne Working Group Meeting – Several Councillors had attended the meeting which had been planned to encourage the set up of a working group to improve the amenity, water quality, ecology of the River Bourne. Unfortunately some attendees had misunderstood the purpose of the meeting and considerable time was redirected onto recent flood issues. (<i>Flood updates for local area and Environment Agency information leaflets and other relevant leaflets available at Parish Office</i>) 	Clerk
2909	<p>Correspondence For Consideration and Response:</p> <p>1. Big Gig – A Nationwide Music Celebration in July with funding available. Noted.</p>	
2910	<p>Motion to Exclude the Press and Public (to enable Council to consider any items on the agenda in which significant aspects will be of a confidential and financial nature) No public present so not called.</p>	
2911	<p><u>Village Hall Lease</u> – Draft proposal considered and a letter sent with regards to amendments.</p> <p><u>Cemetery Extension</u> – The funds for the purchase of land would be transferred to Warners before month end as agreed by full Council. Cemetery Development Services (CDS) would be contacted to arrange a meeting to discuss land development.</p> <p><u>Old School Hall</u> – Quotations for replacement windows and gutters/soffits were viewed and discussed and a recommendation to accept J B Refurbishment would be recommended to Finance & General Purposes Committee. Proposed Cllr Mrs Bright, seconded Cllr Mrs Massy and carried unanimously.</p> <p><u>Annexe Building</u> – Cllr Mrs Bright had investigated various alternatives and prepared a summary for Council consideration.</p>	Clerk Clerk
2912	<p>Questions From Members/Any Other Business:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Recent Floods – It was noted that TMBC website had information on available grants and compensation funds for businesses and residential properties. 2. Williams Field – The Fir Trees by the Ballcourt required attention. 3. Truck Lease – Proposals had been received and would be addressed at the next F&GP meeting. 	Clerk Clerk
	<p>There being no further business the meeting closed at 21.05 Date of next meeting: Tuesday 20 May 2014 at 7.30pm, Old School Hall.</p> <p>Signed Date.....</p>	

