

Unconfirmed Minutes of a Meeting of Lyminge Parish Council held on 22 February 2010 in Lyminge Methodist Parlour.

Present: Cllrs G Baldock; Mrs R Bergin; R Chubb (Chairman); P Hawken; and, Mrs N Hunnisett.

In attendance: Community Warden G Harrison and Clerk.

- 1 **Apologies for Absence** were accepted from Cllrs Mrs M Chubb, T Collins; C Manvell; D Monk; and, D Smith. Apologies were also accepted from County and District Councillor Miss S Carey.
- 2 **Declarations of Interest** – Cllrs R Chubb; P Hawken; and, Mrs N Hunnisett all declared personal interests in minute 10.
- 3 **Minutes of the Meeting held on 25 January 2010** – The minutes had been circulated prior to the meeting. The minutes were **agreed** and signed as correct by the Chairman.
- 4 **Matters arising from the Minutes of the meeting held on 25 January 2010:**
 - 4.1 **Purchase of Football Equipment** (minute 7.1) – it was reported that the goal posts and nets had been ordered.
 - 4.2 **Dungeness Power Station** (minute 12.11) – it was confirmed that the Council’s support of the inclusion of Dungeness as a potential site for a new nuclear power station had been submitted.
- 5 **Report from Ward Councillor** – In the absence of Cllr Miss Carey there was no report. Cllr Miss Carey had submitted an email outlining the reasons why Kent Highway Services could not support the case for a new footpath adjacent the road at Broad Street House but suggested an alternative of using the driveway inside the property. After discussion it was **agreed** to accept the alternative proposal as a way forward to safeguard pedestrians.
- 6 **Report of the Community Warden** – The Community Warden reported that a small number of incidents resulted from the snow; that there had been some minor, probably accidental, damage to the Teen Shelter in Jubilee Field; and that dog fouling continued to be a nuisance on the footpath between the Methodist Church and Palm Tree Way.
- 7 **Planning Committee:**
 - 7.1 **Planning Consultations received** – a list of consultations received since the last meeting had been circulated with the agenda together with the views expressed by the Parish Council. The Council had made no objections to additional application 10/0141 at Lyminge primary School. The list was **accepted**.
 - 7.2 **Planning Decisions** – a list of decisions made by Shepway DC since the last meeting had been circulated with the agenda. The list was **accepted**.
- 8 **General Purposes Committee** – the minutes of the meeting of 1 February 2010 were presented by Cllr Mrs Bergin. There was brief discussion and updates on:
 - 8.1 **Rhodes Minnis Village Hall** (minute 4.8) – The Clerk reported on installation of a new post and wire fence but a written response was awaited.
 - 8.2 **Parish Fire Safety** (minute 9) – Local concern over the future use of the site was reported. There is a 2007 planning consent for the conversion of the building (since burnt down). Cllr Mrs Bergin offered to establish the owner’s intention and report to a future meeting..It was **agreed** to receive the minutes of the General Purposes Committee of 1 February 2010.
- 9 **Finance Committee** – the minutes of the meeting of 10 February 2010 were presented by Cllr R Chubb. There was discussion on the following items:
 - 9.1 **Management Accounts** (minute 5) - The accounts to the end of January 2010 were **agreed**.
 - 9.2 **HMRC Penalty Notices** (minutes 7.3 and 7.4) – Clarification was sought on the current position on the penalties levied by HMRC.
 - 9.3 **Applications for Funding** (minute 10) – Cllr Chubb thanked Etchinghill Residents’ Association for returning £500 of its Christmas Lights grant offer of £1,000 due to reduced project costs and success in obtaining grants from elsewhere.It was **agreed** to receive the minutes of the Finance Committee of 10 February 2010.

- 10 **Reports from Outside Bodies:**
- 10.1 **Age Concern** – There had been no recent Board meeting but a successful presentation had been given by Lyminge Youth Action on 17 February. The recent bad weather had hit fundraising at the Eurotunnel terminal and caused the Centre to close for one day.
 - 10.2 **Footpaths** – Cllr R Chubb reported that the February walk had been cancelled due to bad weather and the next Parish Walk will be on 21 March.
 - 10.3 **Lyminge Village Hall Management Committee** – Cllr Mrs Hunnisett reported that the February Committee meeting had concentrated on renewal of the heating system. There had been a successful quiz night on 6 February with another on 17 April. Planning consent is being sought for an exterior door opening. Arrangements are being made for Lyminge Day on 8 May and a murder mystery event in June.
 - 10.4 **Etchinghill Village Hall Management Committee** – In the absence of Cllr Manvell there was no report.
 - 10.5 **Etchinghill Residents Association** – In the absence of Cllr Manvell there was no report.
 - 10.6 **Lyminge Youth Action** – Cllr Mrs Hunnisett reported that the next Management Committee will be later in February and on a meeting with residents of Woodland Road adjoining Jubilee Field. As a result it was agreed that fencing of the northern side of Jubilee Field be an agenda item for the General Purposes Committee in March.
 - 10.7 **Tree Warden** – Cllr R Chubb had nothing to report.
 - 10.8 **Lyminge Association** – The first of 2 garage safaris will be held on 10 April. The 40th Anniversary weekend will be on 4/5 September with a street party, kite making and flying, and a walking treasure hunt planned. The whole weekend will have a “70s theme” and will involve the whole community. The first planning meeting will be held on 16 March.
 - 10.9 **Lyminge Primary School** – Cllr Hawken reported on the new fence and the need for planning consent for the fence along the Church Road frontage. After investigation he was able to confirm that the car park is the responsibility of the school as owners.
 - 10.10 **Lyminge Parochial Church Council** – Cllr Hawken reported that the PCC had requested the Diocesan Advisory Committee to issue a certificate for a faculty application to reroof the Nave.
- 11 **Correspondence and Documentation Received** – a list of correspondence received since the November Council meeting had been circulated with the agenda. It was **agreed** that:
- 11.1 Two letters from local residents are referred to the General Purposes Committee in March for a considered discussion.
 - 11.2 The Clerk ask the 3 village halls in the parish if any wished to apply for joint membership of Action with Communities in Rural Kent with the Parish Council as cost savings could be made.
 - 11.3 Cllr Hawken represents the Parish Council at the Protect Kent conference and at the reception to meet the new Bishop of Dover.
- 12 **Other Matters Raised by Councillors:**
- 12.1 **Gypsy Green** – The location of Gypsy Green (Teddars Leas Road), its formal designation as Common Land and its ownership by the CEGB was confirmed.
- 13 **Accounts for Payment** – a list had been circulated with the agenda for the meeting. The following payment was **approved**:
Cheque 1453 for £52.87 for the Clerk’s broadband connection
- 14 **Date and Venue of next Council Meeting** – Confirmed as 7.30pm on Monday 29 March 2010 in Rhodes Minnis Methodist Church.
- The meeting closed at 9.20pm.

Percy James Baldock, father of Cllr Geoff Baldock, passed away in February aged 84.
Percy had been a resident of Rhodes Minnis since 1935.
The Parish Council extends its condolences to Geoff and his family on their loss.