

## BOBBING PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting held 7<sup>th</sup> November 2012 in Bobbing Village Hall at 7.30pm

### MINUTES

The winners of the Bobbing in Bloom competition were presented with their prizes by Ward and Parish Councillor Duncan Dewar-Whalley. There are three categories and all were thanked for their hard work in brightening up our parish.

**Present:** Cllr. Herbert (Chairman), Cllr's Ball, Bullen, Major, Stammers and Wright.

Clerk: Mrs S Crawford.

Ward Cllr Gareth Randall attended.

One member of the public attended.

**1.0 Apologies:** Cllrs Edwards and Nappey.

**2.0 Minutes:** The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed to be a true record and were signed accordingly.

**3.0 Public Session:**

Cllr Randall gave some potential answers to our queries regarding the Boundary Commission's recommendations. Also Gordon Henderson MP has objected and managed to place this on hold subject to scrutiny so we await their findings.

**4.0 Declarations of Interest:**

None declared.

**5.0 Chairman's Report and Matters Arising:**

5.1 Member's register of interest forms need to be returned as soon as possible or else a vacancy may be declared.

5.2 The photo i.d. will be a little delayed due to the retirement of the photographer.

5.3 Tree: The clerk and chair will meet to plant a stick where the tree needs to be planted and the clerk will purchase this.

**6.0 Clerks Report and Correspondence Received:**

6.1 Swale Borough Council Annual Report received

6.2 Meeting with Countrywide grass cutting on 13<sup>th</sup> Nov for quote

6.3 Speed limit order was received regarding Bobbing services area.

6.4 Staying Put Scheme information received

6.5 Update on Key Street roundabout letter. Replies have been received from Gordon Henderson MP.

Swale Borough Council, Highways Agency and KCC. We await any possible consultation regarding lights at Key Street. The chair also informed members of how to do an e-petition which could be an option in the future.

6.6 KALC AGM 17<sup>th</sup> Nov at Ditton

6.7 Thank you from Gardeners at Crematorium.

6.8 A letter regarding localism in other areas was received from Cllr Cosgrove at Swale.

6.9 An appeal for a donation was received from Victim Support. Cllr Major proposed a £50 donation, seconded by Cllr Ball with all in favour.

**7.0 Councillors Reports:**

**Cllr Ball:** Attended with Cllr Dewar-Whalley the planning meeting for The Meads Health Centre. Cllr Dewar-Whalley spoke very favourably for the parish. The application was passed with one of the grounds being that the centre is built first and occupied before any houses are occupied. Cllr Ball also feels that parish council members need to attract younger blood to them and wondered about speaking to members from sixth forms at the local schools. This may be a concern in a few years time.

**Cllr Wright:** Informed council of the problems facing Rooks View estate as the gardener's fees were very high. The attenuation pond is their responsibility. The clerk suggested setting up a residents association to oversee any maintenance required.

**Cllr Major:** Asked Cllr Randall about various traffic issues especially going into Sittingbourne. It seems traffic flow is unimportant to planning. Also the synchronisation of traffic lights near to the High Street should be changed to allow better traffic flow.

## **8.0 Planning Applications and Notifications:**

8.1 To consider new planning applications:

SW/12/0969 Case 15153 Construction of overspill car park for 38 cars and land levelling at Demelza House, Rook Lane. Council wished to comment regarding possible alterations on the A2 exit at Rook Lane as this junction is extremely dangerous.

SW/12/1302 Case 13720 Single storey rear extension at Roselette Cottage Chestnut Street Borden. No comments to be made.

8.2 Planning Notifications:

SW/12/0983 Case 08306 Erection of gates and side fencing at Byfield Court has been granted permission.

SW/12/0996 Case 03688 Removal of agricultural occupancy condition at Stickfast has been granted permission.

## **9.0 Finance:**

9.1 To resolve to write cheques for the following:-

Nicenstripy	£150.00	Cheque No: 100348
Bobbing Village Hall (six months hire)	£200.00	Cheque No: 100350
Mrs S Crawford Trophies (Bobbing in Bloom)	£ 20.81	
Mrs S Crawford (Prizes Bobbing in Bloom)	£120.00	Cheque No: 100349
Victim Support	£ 50.00	Cheque No: 100347

## **10.0 Other Matters Arising:**

Various items of free advertising are around on most roundabouts in the parish and elsewhere. This is really fly posting and should be reported.

**Meeting closed at 9.00pm.**

**The next parish council meeting will be held on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2012 in Bobbing Village Hall at 7.30pm**

These minutes are certified to be a true and just record.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_