

**IGHTHAM PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD**  
**ON TUESDAY 18<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2011 AT IGHAM VILLAGE HALL AT 7.45PM**

Present: Cllr J Edwards (Chairman), Cllr S Brierley, Cllr R Chartres, Cllr P Cracknell, , Cllr D Hall , Cllr M Holden,  
and Cllr R Willingham.

**1. APOLOGIES:** Cllr B Gillow and Cllr K Mitchem

**2 . DELARATION OF INTERESTS.** None.

**3. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

- TM/11/02525/LRD      Bewley Farm, Tonbridge Road, Ightham – details pursuant to conditions 2 and 3 (rainwater, goods and joinery and rooflights) to Listed Building Consent for conversion of existing derelict granary (storage) building into 4 bedroom single family dwelling house – no objection.
- TM/11/02526/LRD      Bewley Farm, Tonbridge Road, Ightham – details pursuant to condition 6 (curtilage, buildings , 7 (bat and bird mitigation), 8 (foul and surface water drainage), 9 (Landscaping) 10, sustainability measures), 11 (sustainability standards) and 12 (vehicle parking and turning) of planning permission TM/11/00929/FL for conversion of existing derelict granary (storage) building into 4 bedroom single family dwelling house – no objection.
- TM/11/02527/RD      Woodhay, Copt Hall Road, Ightham – details submitted pursuant to Condition 2 (materials) of planning permission TM/10/03409/FL – two storey side and single storey rear extensions, entrance porch, dormer to front, detached double garage – no objection providing TMBC are satisfied that materials match existing.
- TM/11/02557/TPOC      The Black Barn, Ightham Court, Fen Pond Road, Ightham – various works to trees  
Subsequent revised location to include the Bothy and Forge – no objection if Liz Guthrie is content.
- TM/11/02612/FL      The Copse, Common Road, Ightham – detached double garage and alterations to levels of site – no objection.
- TM/11/02597/FLX      Colebank, Ismays Road, Ivy Hatch – extension of time limit on planning permission TM/08/02564/FL (two storey side extension, two storey front extension, dormer windows within front and rear roof slopes and pitched roof over existing single storey extension – no objection.

**Planning Applications granted**

- TM/11/01984/LB      Corners, The Street, Ightham – LBA: replacement of 2no. windows to kitchenette extension with  
1no. 3 bay window (being an amendment to previously approved Listed Building Consent TM/11/00485/LB)
- TM/11/01744/NMA      Corners – non-material amendment to permission TM/11/00484/FL – change from 1no to 2 no bay casement window and 1no casement window in rear single storey extension to 1no three bay casement window
- TM/11/00901/FL      Selected Plants Nursery, Ismays Road, Ivy Hatch – replacement of existing agricultural buildings with erection of general purpose agricultural building
- TM/11/01567/FL      8 Walker Place, Ightham – construction of wooden staircase to provide access to upper garden and extension to decking
- TM/11/01867/FL      2 Trycewell Cottages, Trycewell Lane, Ightham – excavation and replacement retaining wall in rear garden to create extended patio at lower level. Includes underpinning of neighbouring brick shed at 3 Trycewell Cottages

TM/11/02046/FL	35 Nutfields, Ightham – single storey rear/side extension
TM/11/02039/FL	Copthall Cottage, Ismays Road, Ightham – two storey rear extension and hip to gable side extension, side facing first floor windows
TM/11/02049/FL	Old Stables, Sandy Lane, Ivy Hatch – Section 73A – application to retain the change of use of a detached garage/store as additional living accommodation at first and ground floor in association with the dwelling
TM/11/02144/FL	Ridgeway, Coach Road, Ivy Hatch – single storey side extension to dwelling
TM/11/02136/FLX	Petham Oast, Rectory Lane, Ightham – renewal of planning permission TM/08/02934/FL (single storey side extension to form new kitchen and entrance/stair hall)
TM/11/02183/FL	Skorsten, Redwell Lane, Ightham – replacement dwelling and detached garage
TM/11/02221/FL	Land adjacent to Ightham Farm Shop, Sevenoaks Road, Ightham – retention of three storage containers to the rear of the car park for use as storage for farm shop
TM/11/02229/RD	Woodhay, Copt Hall Road, Ightham – details of tree protection measures pursuant to condition 3 of planning permission TM/10/03409/FL (two storey side and single storey rear extensions, entrance porch, dormer to front, detached double garage)

**4. MINUTES** of the meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> September 2011 were agreed and signed by the Chairman as a true record of that meeting

## **5. MATTERS ARISING**

### **Kent Highways – items to be reported:**

It was reported that the gullies on the A25 had still not been emptied, but the Clerk said on checking the status report the comment was 'Enquiry resolved'. This is not the case and she was asked to contact Kent Highways again.

The Clerk said that on his last invoice, Anthony Edwards had reported a problem with a drain on Raspit Hill and she has passed this to Kent Highways.

Cllr Chartres reported that the A25 was to be litter-picked on the day of this meeting.

**Mrs Chesson – lease for Guide hut** – Cllr Chartres said he has been through the lease and would like to discuss his views with the Chairman before sending it to our Solicitors for their comments.

**Proposed new scout/football building** – nothing further to report until the car park planning permission is resolved.

**Proposed new Car parking area in Recreation Ground** – there was to be a meeting between our architect and highways consultant with the planning officer at TMBC on the day following this meeting when, it was hoped the matter would be resolved.

**'The Queen's Diamond Jubilee celebration** - Cllr Cracknell said that the Council's insurers had listed five criteria to be met in order for the fair to be covered by the Parish Council's insurance. The road closure has been agreed by Kent Highways but will have to be implemented by an accredited traffic management company. Cllr Chartres had contacted one who is producing an estimate of costs. The risk assessment required for insurance purposes will be included in this work. Cllr Hall suggested that the Clerk should formally notify the Council's insurers of the 2012 Fair. Cllr Cracknell said she is still selling Christmas cards and notelets to raise funds for the Fair.

**Recreation ground** – repairs to children's roundabout – Cllr Willingham said he had made contact again and they should be attending to carry out the necessary repairs from 17<sup>th</sup> October.

**Dog-tying post for Recreation Ground** – Cllr Willingham said he has experienced difficulty in obtaining keys from Ightham School, but now has them in his possession and hopes to complete the work as soon as possible.

**Salt bin for Nutfields** – no further news from Kent Highways, but the Clerk was asked to let them know that on our calculation, there are more than enough points to qualify for a salt bin.

The Clerk had received telephone calls regarding the delivery of a salt bag this year and was informed by Kent Highways that they cannot advise of delivery in advance for the barrier to be lifted at the Village Hall. It was agreed that we will unlock the barrier in advance once we know an approximate date for delivery.

**Churchyard – dangerous tombstones** – it was suggested that perhaps TMBC could be asked for financial assistance and Cllr Chartres said he will make enquiries. Cllr Cracknell said she will attempt to walk around the churchyard with another member of St Peter’s to ascertain which are the most dangerous tombstones.

**Lime trees in Recreation Ground** – Cllr Willingham said he has heard nothing further from Duncan Simpson but now has a new contact – the person who does tree work for Ightham Mote and he is waiting to hear back from him.

**Pruning of trees over-hanging football pitch** – a quotation had been received from Will Moore, a member of the Ightham FC for £180.00 and it was agreed that we should accept this.

**Bus shelter at end of Spring Lane** – Cllr Willingham said he has inspected the shelter and it is still quite firm but has two broken panels which he will repair. In his opinion it does not need to be replaced for sometime to come.

## **6. CORRESPONDENCE**

None

### **Email Correspondence Received**

Veolia Environmental Services – invitation for a guided tour of new waste transfer station.  
KCC – help needed in identifying residents for a KCC engagement event

## **7. FINANCE**

The following accounts are submitted for payment:

Ruth Morris salary			£397.66
J P Stephens – website			
£30.00			
R Lee-Amies – work at War Memorial, Copt Hall Road and Village Hall car park			
£381.10			
Anthony Edwards – churchyard – and parish – two invoices			
£702.08			
Burslem – cleaning War Memorial	350.00	VAT	70.00
£420.00			
Kent BTCV Tree Warden Scheme subscription			
£100.00			
Royal British Legion – Poppy Appeal wreath and donation			
£40.00			

### **Financial position at 30<sup>th</sup> September 2011**

Current account - £6,222.18 (includes unrepresented cheques for £1891.22)  
Deposit account - £110,081.67

## **8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Cllr Chartres said the railings outside the village hall are chipped and need repainting. Also the bar across the barrier need repainting which is TMBC’s responsibility. Cllr Willingham said he needs to speak with them regarding lighting so will mention the barrier at the same time.

The Chairman said he is attending a secret meeting at Poulton Wood Golf Course about the 2012 Olympics when ‘confidential matters will be discussed’

Cllr Holden said he had received a letter asking for support in respect of the planning application at Planet Plants. Cllr Chartres said TMBC officers have recommended refusal of the application and he has called it in. It will be discussed at the Area 2 Planning Committee meeting on 26<sup>th</sup> October when he will be speaking in support of it as well as the Chairman.

Cllr Willingham said the Village Hall Committee is down to four people, and one of those members has served for 40 years. He also said the expenditure is approximately £1500 higher than income, which is the largest deficit ever. He also said that he can get an alternative insurance quote for the village hall.

Cllr Cracknell asked if the Parish Council could contribute towards the cost of producing the double-issue magazine which goes to every household in the parish. This was agreed.

She also said that lead has been stolen from the church roof.

Cllr Chartres said he has been approached regarding the Parish Council purchasing the Little Cobs car park. He said he is prepared to pursue it further.

Cllr Chartres said James Reid, Ightham Scouts had approached him regarding the fact that funds for paper recycling had virtually halved since KCC took over the scheme due to the fact that it cannot be proven that commercial waste is not being deposited. Cllr Chartres said he has a meeting on Thursday and will lobby them. James Reid has asked if he could have a 1.4m x 1.4m textile bin at the car park which could bring the Scouts an annual income of £1400. It was agreed that the Parish Council would allow this.

The meeting closed at 9.27pm.