

ST MARY HOO PARISH COUNCIL**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 7 FEBRUARY 2012 IN THE FUNCTION ROOM, THE FENN BELL INN, FENN STREET AT 7.30 pm**

PRESENT: Cllr Bill Budd Chairman
 Cllr Paul Hassell
 Cllr Mrs Carol Heyburn
 Mrs Roxana Brammer Clerk

Item	<i>Action point</i>
<i>Minute number</i>	
2010/11/	
1	APOLOGIES
153	An apology for absence was received from Cllr Bill Khatkar Away from home It was proposed by Cllr Budd, seconded by Cllr Mrs Heyburn and agreed this apology be accepted.
2	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST & ALTERATIONS TO THE REGISTER
154	None.
3	MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 13 DECEMBER 2011
155	It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Heyburn, seconded by Cllr Budd and agreed the minutes of the meeting held on 13 December 2011 be signed as a true record.
4	MATTERS ARISING
156	No matters were raised.
5	VACANCY
157	No applications had been received and the vacancy remained.
6	PLANNING
158	a Applications None
159	b Decisions None notified.
160	c Appeals and Other Matters None.

161 **d Licensing Applications**

None.

7 **FINANCE**

162 **a Bank Balances**

The bank balances as listed on appendix A were noted.

163 **b Cheques Signed Since the Last Meeting**

The cheques signed since the last meeting as listed on Appendix A were ratified.

164 **c Accounts for Payment**

It was proposed by Cllr Budd, seconded by Cllr Hassell and agreed the accounts for payment as listed on Appendix A be approved (cheques 100759-100765).

165 **d Banking Arrangements**

Cllr Budd said that a banking card had arrived for Cllr Khatkar, giving him internet banking access to the council's accounts. No member present recollected this being agreed. The current arrangements were also discussed. The frequent absences from meetings of one of the two councillor signatories was posing problems and resulted in some cheques that could not wait being signed unlawfully by only one councillor, although this was acceptable to the bank. Cllr Budd said he would speak to Cllr Khatkar. It was agreed the bank mandate should be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.

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8 **GRANT APPLICATIONS**

166 None.

9 **AMENITY COMMITTEE**

167 **a Footpath Officer's Report**

Nothing to report.

168 **b Nature Reserve**

Cllr Hassell reported that the winter programme of work had been completed. It was agreed to plan for the planting of wild flowers over the next year. Cllr Budd said he would investigate the possible purchase of second hand machinery to help the volunteers.

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169 **c Pond**

The work to the trees had been completed.

10 RURAL LIAISON COMMITTEE**170 a Representative's Report**

Cllr Budd had not been able to attend the last meeting.

b Rural Liaison Grant Projects

171 i Bird boxes. The Clerk to contact Rolf Williams of the RSPB

*RB***11 KAPC/MAC****172 a Representatives' Report**

Nothing to report.

12 POLICE MATTERS**173 a Police Liaison Committee representative's report**

Cllr Hassell said that Cllr Blackman of Stoke Parish Council had complained at the last meeting about the car that was parked on the A228 Sharnal Street, High Halstow, advertising for scrap cars, which he considered a distraction.

13 HIGHWAYS & TRANSPORT**174 b Fenn Corner**

The roundabout had not been handed over to Medway Council by the contractors. It was reported that quad bikes had been seen going round the roundabout and in front of Fenn Farm.

175 b Ratcliffe Highway at St Mary's Cottages

Nothing to report.

176 c Clarke's Coaches

Cllr Hassell mentioned the matter again and Cllr Budd volunteered to contact the bus company.

*BB***14 COMMUNICATIONS****177 a Allhallows' Life**

Cllr Budd reported that the Chairman of Allhallows Parish Council had dropped off the copies for St Mary Hoo and that he had delivered them. It was agreed to seek delivery volunteers through the next issue. The vacancy on the Council should also be mentioned, together with a request for someone interested in becoming the Footpaths Officer.

178 b Website

It was agreed any items of history about the village should go on the website. The

Clerk said she would approach Christoph Bull, who had a special interest in the parish and ask him to contact the Webmaster direct. *RB*

15 CONSULTATION

179 No documents received.

16 CORRESPONDENCE

180 None.

17 REPORTS AND CIRCULARS

181 The reports and circulars as listed on the agenda were received.

19 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

182 No matters were raised.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.15 pm

SignedChairman

On theday of2012