

**ST MARY HOO PARISH COUNCIL****MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 28 MARCH 2007 AT THE MEMORIAL HALL, THE STREET, HIGH HALSTOW AT 7.00 pm**

**PRESENT:** Cllr Mrs Maureen Stanney Chairman  
 Cllr Bob Beckey  
 Cllr Mrs Kit Johnson From item 5c  
 Cllr Bill Khatkar  
 Mrs Roxana Brammer Clerk

<b>Item</b>	<i>Action point</i>
<i>Minute number</i>	
<i>2006/7/</i>	
<b>1</b>	<b>APOLOGIES</b>
<i>113</i>	An apology for late arrival was received from Cllr Mrs Johnson.
<b>2</b>	<b>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST &amp; ALTERATIONS TO THE REGISTER</b>
<i>114</i>	Cllrs Mrs Stanney, Beckey and Khatkar declared a personal interest in item 5a(i), planning application for the Fenn Bell as being acquainted with the applicant.
<b>3</b>	<b>MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 24 JANUARY 2007</b>
<i>115</i>	It was proposed by Cllr Khatkar, seconded by Cllr Beckey and agreed that the minutes of the meeting held on 24 January 2007 be signed as a true record.
<b>4</b>	<b>MATTERS ARISING</b>
<i>116</i>	<b>a C/01/07/4a(88): Telephone Box</b>
	The Clerk reported the telephone box had been removed.
<b>5</b>	<b>PLANNING</b>
	<b>a Applications</b>
<i>117</i>	<b>i MC2007/0392: Fenn Bell Inn, Fenn Street: Stationing of a mobile home</b>
	No objection to this application provided that permission is temporary for 5 years, is personal to the applicant and the mobile home is used solely for the purpose stated on the application, ie for occupation by the applicant's elderly father.
<i>118</i>	<b>Out of Time</b>
	The response to the out of time application as listed on Appendix A was ratified.
<i>119</i>	<b>b Decisions</b>
	None notified.

**c Appeals and Other Matters**

120 **i A & M Plant**

Cllr Beckey reported that the portable buildings had moved within the site and thought this might be in breach of their planning permission.

121 **ii Partial Review of SE Plan: revised apportionment of primary land-won aggregates**

Received.

122 **iii The Old Post Office**

The Clerk to ask for an update from the Enforcement Officer.

123 **d Licensing Applications**

None.

**6 FINANCE**

124 **a Bank Balances**

The bank balances as listed on appendix B were noted.

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

None

126 **c Accounts for Payment**

It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Johnson, seconded by Cllr Khatkar and agreed the accounts for payment as listed on Appendix B be approved:

127 **d Appointment of Internal Auditor**

The Clerk reported she had ascertained that the internal auditor to Frindsbury Extra and High Halstow Parish Councils would be willing to act for St Mary Hoo Parish Council. It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Stanney, seconded by Cllr Beckey and agreed Maurice Askham be appointed.

**7 GRANT APPLICATIONS**

128 No applications received.

**8 MANAGEMENT OF THE COUNCIL'S LAND AND PROPERTY**

129 **a Conservation Area**

Nothing to report.

130      **b      Pond**

Nothing to report.

**9                      HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORT**

131      **a      Flooding at Hoppers Lane**

The Chairman reported she had contacted Southern Water, who had taken samples. This indicated the water was ground water, not mains water. The Clerk had asked the Highways Manager at Medway Council to investigate. Cllr Khatkar said it was definitely a leak. The Clerk would contact Medway Council again with the information provided by Southern Water.

132      **b      191 Bus Service**

The timing of the last bus from Chatham and problems for longer distance passengers would be taken up by the Rural Liaison Committee.

133      **c      Biffa Site**

There had been problems with lorries queuing up in the early mornings and it was understood the site manager had been in touch with the hauliers. The Chairman said Biffa wanted to set up the Liaison Meeting again. She had agreed in principle to continue and to chair the group. The Parish Council would be represented by Cllr Khatkar with Cllr Beckey as his alternate.

134      **d      Hall Road/Fenn Street Fingerpost**

Cllr Mrs Stanney said the wooden fingerpost opposite St Mary's Cottages needed replacing. It was agreed to request its replacement from Medway Council. If it was not possible for it to be replaced by another wooden one, it could be considered as a Rural Liaison grant project.

**10                     RURAL LIAISON COMMITTEE**

135      **a      Representative's Report**

Cllr Beckey reported on the meeting held on 6 March. Talks had been given on rural retail and the North Kent Marshes.

136      **b      Rural Liaison Grant Projects**

None in hand.

**11                     KAPC/MAC**

137      **a      Representatives' Report**

Cllr Mrs Stanney had not been able to attend the last meeting.

**12 POLICE MATTERS**

**138 a Police Liaison Committee representative’s report**

Cllr Mrs Johnson said that the last meeting had been dominated by a couple of representatives and she had not spoken.

**13 COMMUNICATIONS**

**139 a Villagers’ Life Magazine**

The Chairman reported that the Clerk would not also be Clerk to Allhallows Parish Council from 1 April. It was suggested the Clerk continue the administration of the magazine as Clerk to St Mary Hoo Parish Council and that her time and expenses would be recharged to Allhallows Parish Council at 90%. This would be discussed at a meeting of the Villagers Life representatives and put to Allhallows Parish Council at their next meeting for their agreement.

**140 b Website**

Nothing had been heard from the Webmaster and the Clerk would contact him.

**14 ELECTIONS**

141 Elections would be held on 3 May. The Chairman said she would not be standing.

**15 CONSULTATION**

**429 a Regional Housing Strategy Review**

Received.

**16 CORRESPONDENCE**

143 None.

**17 REPORTS AND CIRCULARS**

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

**18 ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

145 No matters were raised.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.05 pm

Signed .....Chairman

On the .....day of .....2007