

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE METHODIST OLD CHURCH HALL ON MONDAY 21 APRIL 2008

PRESENT: Cllrs. Crawford (Chairman), Gardner, Ireland, Mrs. Macdonald, Poole & Shead

ALSO PRESENT: Mrs. K Bell (Clerk), County Councillor Long, Mr S Taylor (Community Warden) & 2 residents

APOLOGIES: Cllrs. Bearman, Crowley, Gress, Poole, Mrs. Relf, & Street & PC Sergeant

Cllr Crawford opened the meeting and welcomed all present.

1. Declarations of Interests

As a director of the EPPFC, Cllr Ireland declared a personal interest in Item 7.

2. Invited Guest: Mr P Beddoes – TMBC Environmental Health Department

Mr Beddoes was welcomed to the meeting; he drew attention to the following:

- £1million would be spent by TMBC borough wide during 2008/09 on litter clearing,
- 180 fixed penalty notices had been issued during 2007/08 in respect of persons caught inconsiderately disposing of litter.
- There were Health and Safety issues to be considered following the fatality, which occurred, on the bypass during 2007, which might have implications on the way, the litter clearing service was provided.
- Rural roads received an annual litter clear, main thoroughfares were scheduled to receive a more frequent service. A 'hit squad' would be deployed to deal with one off non-routine problems.
- Recycling within the borough in recent years had significantly increased.
- Discussions were taking place on whether plastic-recycling facilities should be increased and if so whether it would take the form of kerb side collections or banks at strategic locations.
- As a whole East Peckham was not considered to be bad from a litter point of view however the PCs concerns regarding the outlying lanes such as Bullen Lane, Hatches Lane, Pierce Mill Lane and Martins Lane were taken on board so too were the PCs concerns regarding many of the village PROWS especially those in the central areas.
- Councillors and concerned residents were encouraged to join TMBCs Street Monitor scheme and information on this was provided.
- Canvas shopping bags were provided for distribution within the village.

Mr Beddoes was thanked for attending the meeting and for understanding the PCs concerns.

3. The following reports were received:

a. County Councillor

County Councillor Long was welcomed to the meeting; he drew attention to the following:

- Advised the PC to obtain 'Job Nos' from KHS on all reported highways issues including those reported via the spreadsheet.
- Advised the PC that he had objected to the proposed development for Brook Farm Buildings in Church Lane. He further informed the PC that KHS were only able to respond to the limited questions as put by TMBC in their consultation.

b. **Community Warden**

It was reported that KCC had confirmed the appointment of a new warden. The new warden Chloe Brooks was currently undergoing training and subject to successful completion would be available for duty in East Peckham on 28 April.

4. **Parish Council**

a. **Minutes of the meeting held on 17 March 08**

RESOLVED: That the minutes be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

b. **Matters Arising**

Minute 2a, Dog Bins

It was reported that the dog bin missing from Westwood Road, had been found and reinstated. Subject to funding being available TMBC would install a dog bin in Snoll Hatch and were in the process of installing a new bin on the playing fields.

It was further reported that resident had expressed he, his wife and neighbour were dissatisfied with the installation of the bin at the junction of Smithers Lane/Hale Street. The residents felt that the bin was an obstruction, was too close to their properties, they had concerns with smells and emptying issues and were of the view that the majority of dog walkers walked on the opposite side of Hale Street. The residents were keen for the bin to either be relocated to the corner of Church Lane/Hale street or for it to be set back a bit onto the grassed area. The residents felt that the greater problem in this area of the village was litter and had requested the installation of a litterbin. Following discussion members agreed to the relocation of the dog bin and the installation of a new litterbin at the junction of Smithers Lane/Hale Street and TMBC would therefore be asked to undertake the work.

Minute 3b, Possible liaison with the Gardeners Association in the Best Village Front Garden Competition and the Replanting and redesign of the PC owned amenity land at The Pound.

It was reported that the Gardeners Association were willing to undertake the replanting and redesign of the amenity land at the Pound and had held a site meeting in this respect. With regard to the Best Village Front Garden Competition, whilst the Association applauded the PC for the competition they felt that their past participation in the competition had not been fully appreciated and did not increase their membership. Following a discussion it was agreed that the Gardeners Association would be advised that the PC would welcome their involvement in raising the profile of the competition and would be looking only for expertise in the gardening field of knowledge and the PC would be responsible for organising the prize giving evening.

Minute 3b, 2007 Christmas Lighting

It was reported that Gala Lights had collected 3 of the 'alleged' faulty lights, the lamps had been changed and the lights examined. When tested it was found that the lights were in working order and Gala Lights could find no indication of any contact damage, water ingress or any other reason which would explain why the lights failed. Arrangements were being made for all of the motifs to be checked and tested prior to their 2008 installation and for Gala Lights to provide a quotation in respect of the electrical works, which was currently undertaken by Ditton Electrical. Following a discussion it was agreed that if the quotation was acceptable the PC was agreeable to Gala lights being responsible for the supply and installation of the Christmas Lights, which would hopefully prevent a recurrence of the 2007 lighting failures.

Minute 3e, Quality Council Status (QCS)

It was reported that the criteria for QCS had been revised and new guidance would be available from NALC and KALC shortly. It was noted that the revised scheme would reflect the increasing professionalism of councils and there would be additional tests on promoting local democracy, citizenship, terms and conditions and training. Further changes include the need for councils to have a website and a publicly accessible email address. Whilst the changes would place new demands on councils it was noted that some amendments had been made to the existing test and following a discussion members were of the opinion that these were exciting and evolving issues, which were welcomed.

Minute 11d, Holy Trinity Churchyard – Part funding of the tree stump

It was reported that a letter of appreciation had been received.

Minute 11d, 2007/08 Donations

It was reported that letters of appreciation had been received from Age Concern Malling, Tonbridge Volunteer Centre, Kent Air Ambulance and Hospice in the Weald

Minute 13, Mill Walk, East Peckham

It was reported that prior to being relieved of their maintenance responsibilities in East Peckham, the UMIDB had inspected the ditch and were of the opinion that if made no difference whether the ditch was piped or open.

c. Installation of CCTV

Attention was drawn to the following

- The parts replaced in the CCTV equipment at the Sports Hall were considered consumable in nature and were not covered by guarantee. The cheque, which had been preliminary approved at the last meeting, had since been forwarded to Secure Engineering in settlement of the outstanding invoice.
- Logbooks had been obtained and would be in use shortly.
- Further training would be undertaken shortly.
- All required signage both inside and outside the buildings was in place.
- Cameras would be tested on a weekly basis.

d. Possible Installation of Bus Shelter

It was reported that TMBC had worked with a number of parishes to provide bus shelters and so the principle sat neatly within their current programme of work. It was noted that generally funding for bus shelters had been provided on a 50/50 split and TMBC was currently looking at potential sites in Pound Road.

e. Risk Assessment as at 31March 08

The information, which had been prepared by the Clerk and copied to members, was **RECEIVED, NOTED AND APPROVED.**

f. Annual Civic Service

Cllr Crawford reported that he had attended this interesting and formal event and drew attention to some of the attendees, which included the Lord lieutenant of Kent, the High Sheriff of Kent and representatives from the voluntary sector.

g. The Standards Board for England

It was reported that allegations had been made to The Standards Board that Cllrs. Crowley, Gress and Ireland had breached the Code of Conduct by failing to disclose a personal interest. The Standards Board had concluded that whilst there might have been a potential failure there was nothing to suggest that the potential interest was of a prejudicial nature and the Standards Board had therefore concluded that the allegations should not be referred to an ethical standards officer for investigation.

5. Planning Committee: Minutes of Meetings held on 17 March 08 and 14 April 08

RESOLVED: The minutes which had been copied to members be **RECEIVED & NOTED**

6. 2008 Annual Parish Meeting

a. Minutes of the meeting held on 07 April 08

RESOLVED: That the draft minutes which had been copied to members be **RECEIVED & NOTED**. It was further resolved that members recommended amendments would be taken on board and a final version would be prepared.

b. Matters Arising

Attention was drawn to many favourable comments which had been received, one had 'congratulated the PC on the best Annual Meeting for many years' and another 'we regret not taking the opportunity to propose a vote of thanks to our councillors for all they do for the village', another had thanked the PC for its excellent 07/08 report.

c. Provision of Refreshments following 2008 APM.

Thanks were extended to the Boys Brigade for providing volunteers to assist the PC in providing refreshments following the meeting. It was proposed by Cllr Crawford, seconded by Cllr Gardner and

RESOLVED: That in recognition of his work in providing the refreshments and clearing up afterwards a contribution of £25 would be paid to James Bridgwater-Court, which would be used towards his forthcoming World Challenge Trip.

7. East Peckham Playing Field Company

a. Finance:

(i) 2007/08 PC Grant: Information as at 31.03.08

The information, which had been prepared by the Clerk and copied to members, was **APPROVED**. It was noted that as at 31.03.08, the position was as follows:

2007/08 Grant	£11,000
Less Expenditure (includes £114 from 2006/07)	£8,843
Plus Refunds	£55
Balance of 07/08 grant	£2,212

(ii) Financial Report from EPPFC

A brief statement of the accounts for the current financial year was tabled.

The main detail of the report was summarised as follows:

Balance at 31.03.07	Credit Account	£15,623
	Deposit Account	£26,458
2007/08 Income		£25,351
2007/08 Expenditure		£31,125
Balance at 31.03.088	Credit Account	£9,849
	Deposit Account	£20,066

b. Sports Hall Repairs: Repair Fund

The information, which had been prepared by the Clerk and copied to members, was **APPROVED**. It was noted that as at 31.03.08, the position was as follows:

Total Project Fund	£60,782
Less Expenditure	£54,030
Plus Refunds	£290
Balance as at 31.3.08	£7,042

c. Playing Fields Alcohol Free Zone

Cllr Ireland reported that the EPPFC were working on revising the existing byelaws, which would be put before the PC for consideration and approval. It was noted that one of the byelaws would include a Playing Fields Alcohol Free zone.

d. World Wide Knit in Public 14.06.08

It was reported that the EPPFC were to consider a request from a resident who wished to hold an event on the Playing Fields.

e. Other Issues

Planting adjacent to Russett Road

It was reported that in order to submit an application for free trees under the 2008, Kent Free Trees Scheme the planting would be deferred until the autumn/winter.

Resurfacing of the Sports Hall Car Park

A discussion took place on the necessity to resurface the sports hall car park and members were encouraged to visit the area prior to any works being undertaken. Members were informed that the EPPFC were of the opinion that the car park had reached the end of its useful life and if the repairs were not carried out shortly then it would be more costly to do so in a year or so. It was noted that the car park was a public amenity as not only users of the sports hall and playing fields used it.

Grounds maintenance

Grounds maintenance work consisting of some weed spraying would be undertaken during May.

Annual Joint Meeting between the PC and the EPPFC

Arrangements would be made for a meeting to be held a walk around the playing fields and sports hall would precede the meeting.

Dogs on the Playing Fields

It was reported that the EPPFC were in the process of considering a ban on dogs without leads on the playing fields and that to compensate for the restriction a separate part of the field would be cordoned off within which dogs would be free to be exercised off lead.

8. Groups & Organisations

Reports were received as follows

a. Parish Plan

It was reported that good progress continued to be made on the document, which should be ready for publication by mid June 08.

b. Tonbridge & Malling Crime Reduction Partnership

In the absence of Cllr. Street there was no report.

c. Community & Police Working Group

Cllr Gardner reported and drew attention to the following:

- (i) The next meeting of the Working Group would be held on 29.04.08.
- (ii) He and Cllr Street had attended the 2008 Kent Police Authority Conference, which presented the opportunity to air the views of the village on what the community needed from policing.
- (iii) Compared to other parishes East Peckham was well served with the various police representatives and the community warden in place.
- (iv) The conference focussed on building up community and rural policing
- (v) As and when funding became available there would be more front line police officers patrolling the streets.

d. Youth Panel

Cllrs. Mrs Macdonald reported and drew attention to the following:

- (i) From discussion with the youth within the village, it had been determined that the 11 – 18 year olds desired skate park facilities and a youth shelter.
- (ii) She had held a discussion with representatives from Hadlow who had successfully installed a youth shelter.
- (iii) She was of the opinion that the PC ought to do more for the 11 – 18 year olds within the village.
- (iv) Some positive feedback had been received from Mascalls School regarding the East Peckham Youth Panel being somehow included within the school citizenship curriculum.

e. East Peckham Primary School: Report from PC Governor

Cllr. Mrs Macdonald reported that the next meeting would be held on 25.04.08.

f. Emergency Planning Group

Cllr Poole reported that he was in the process of considering a revision to the Parish Emergency Plan.

9. TMBC

a. Draft Parish Charter

It was reported that the draft parish charter was considered at a recent meeting of the Parish Partnership Panel when the Panel agreed that the draft document would be subject to consultation with all PCs prior to its formal adoption. In this respect the PC had been invited to respond by the end of April 08 and members were provided with their own copies of the document. Following a discussion it was:

RESOLVED: That if the document materially improved the lines of communication between the borough and parish council then the PC was in agreement with its contents, however some doubt was expressed on whether the PPP was the correct forum for discharging the monitoring role.

b. Ancient Woodland Survey

It was reported that TMBC had commissioned an Ancient Woodland Survey of the borough and that the project would run until October 2009. It was noted that the aim of the project would be to update the existing ancient woodland inventory and to identify woodland less than two hectares in size.

c. Mayors Reception held on 17.04.08

Cllr. Poole reported that he had attended this interesting and enjoyable event but was disappointed at the attendance level.

10. Medway Valley Countryside Partnership - Riverside Communities Project

Additional information was **RECEIVED, NOTED AND COPIED** to members. In addition, attention was drawn to the following:

- Week commencing 21.04.08 a contractor would be installing way markers along the recommended walk route from East Peckham.
- The kissing gate at the end of Pinkham Lane would be replaced.
- Negotiations were taking place regarding the installation of the Pinkham Lane way marker
- A bat walk would be held on 21.08.08 and further details would be available shortly.

11. Finance

a. Bank Reconciliation as at 31.03.08

The information, which had been prepared by the Clerk & copied to members, was **APPROVED**. It was noted that as at 31.03.08 the balances held were as follows:
Current Account £250 Reserve Account £42,709 Capital Account £13,691

b. Budgetary Control Statement as at 31.03.08

The information, which had been prepared by the Clerk & copied to members, was **APPROVED**.

c. 2008 Try Angle Awards

It was reported that details of the 2008 Try Angle Awards had been received together with a request for financial support. Following a discussion, it was proposed by Cllr. Crawford, seconded by Cllr Shead and:

RESOLVED: That the PC would support the event with a £50 donation.

d. Nat West Banking Arrangements: To receive information

Attention was drawn to the following:

- Confirmation had been received that the new mandate had been activated.
- The PCs business manager had been transferred to a different role within the bank and was no longer looking after business customers. The Clerk had informed the business manager that it was a great shame that he did not finalise all outstanding issues prior to taking up his new role.
- No response had been received regarding the PCs application for the SIBA account.

Following a discussion it was:

RESOLVED: That a complaint would be made to the banks head office and alternative banking options would be examined.

e. Appointment of External Auditor

It was reported that the audit Commission had confirmed the appointment of Alun Williams of the Audit Commissions Limited Assurance Specialist Unit as auditor for the financial years 2007/08 to 2011/12. Also confirmed was the appointment of the panel of the Audit Commission Officers who would act as external auditor in the event that Mr Williams was unable to continue with the appointment.

f. EDF Energy: Public Lighting Maintenance Charges 2008/09

It was reported that the footway lighting maintenance charges for 2008/09 would be £298.52 (plus VAT) per month. It was noted that the charges for 2007/08 were £289.63 (plus VAT) per month.

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g. Emergency Planning Society AGM & Study Visit

After a discussion it was proposed by Cllr. Crawford, seconded by Cllr. Ireland and:

RESOLVED: That Cllrs Poole, Crowley and Gardner would attend the event accompanied by Mrs Poole. The cost of the attendance including refreshments was £55. Members agreed that travel expenses could be reimbursed.

h. 2008/09 Subscriptions

Following a discussion, it was proposed by Cllr. Crawford, seconded by Cllr Pole and:

RESOLVED: That the subscriptions to KALC, DIS, Local Councils Update, and Action with Communities in Rural Kent would be renewed

i. Financial Transactions

Receipts

31.03.08	Nat West – Interest	£380.26
15.04.08	TMBC 08/09 Precept 1 st half	£34,097.00
Total		£34,477.26

Automated payments

06.03.08	(S19) *EDF Energy Sports Hall Electric Supply 07/08	£180.00
22.02.08	(S19) *British Gas Sports Hall Gas Supply 07/08	£100.00
Total		£280.00

The following payments were approved (includes VAT where applicable)

Monkey Design House	(S111) 08/09 Website expenses	£258.50 Chq 2765
Southern Water	(S19) *08/09 Water Rates	£448.94 Chq 2766
E P Methodist Church	(S111) Office Hire April – June 08	£289.47 Chq 2767
TMBC	(S111) 08/09 NNDR	£128.24 Chq 2768
Mrs. K Bell	(S111) Clerks Salary – April 08	£960.94 Chq 2770/ Plus expenses less deductions 2782
KCC	(S111) Stationery	£52.27 Chq 2771
	(S19) *Sports Hall Maintenance	£67.15 Chq 2782
Allianz Insurance SE Branch, Emergency	(S111) 08/09 Insurance Premium	£799.90 Chq 2772
Planning Society	(S111) PC attendance at AGM	£55.00 Chq 2773
EDF Energy	(S10) Streetlight maint. 8/09	£340.32 Chq 2774
EDF Energy	(S10) Streetlight energy 07/08	£618.45 Chq 2775
Mr P Street	(S111)) Travel Expenses (Rural Policing Conference)	£45.76 Chq 2776
Mr J Bridgwater-Court	(S111) Annual Meeting (Provision of teas/coffees)	£25.00 Chq 2777
KALC	(S111) 08/09 Annual Subscription	£886.50 Chq 2778
NALC	(S111) 08/09 Annual Subs. DIS	£123.88 Chq 2779
Communicorp	(S111) 08/09 Annual Subs. - Local Councils Update	£100.00 Chq 2780
Action with Communities In Rural Kent	(S111) 08/09 Annual Subscription	£35.00 Chq 2781
Hills Office Services	(S111) Office equipment	£138.65 Chq 2783
Maidstone Association Of Youth	(S137) 08/09 Try Angle Awards	£50.00 Chq 2784
Mr E Grenham	(S26) Allotment expenses (keys)	£6.00 Chq 2785
TOTAL		£5,451.47

Note: *Denotes charged to the Sports Hall PC Grant for 2008/09, cheques 2764 and 2769 were cancelled.

12. Correspondence

It was reported that the following items had been received:

- a. DisExtra: Nos 678 (17.03.08), 679 (31.03.08) & 681 (14.04.08)
- b. Local Gov.co.uk: e bulletins dated 12.03.08, 13.03.08, 20.03.08, 27.03.08, 03.04.08, 07.04.08 and 10.04.08.
- c. Government Computing Magazine (April 08)– Passed to Cllr. Poole
- d. Product Information:
 - (i) Record RSS Ltd: Playground inspection and maintenance (Passed to EPPFC)
 - (ii) Wicksteed Playscapes: Play equipment (Passed to EPPFC)
 - (iii) Glasdon: Environmental products
 - (iv) BAPCO: 2008 Conference Programme (Public Safety Communications & IT events) – Passed to Cllr Poole
- e. TMBC
 - (i) Mayors Charity Companion Dog Show to be held on 20.04.08 (forwarded to members)
 - (ii) Performance & Finance Booklet 2007/09 (2 copies received)
 - (iii) Minutes of Council, Cabinet & Committee Meetings 2008 Vol. 1(December 07 – Feb 08)
 - (iv) Tonbridge & Malling Residents Panel: Third Newsletter
 - (v) 2008/09 Budget Statement
 - (vi) Parish Partnership Panel: Minutes & enclosures from meeting held on 06.03.08
 - (vii) Members Handbook & Diary 2008/09 and Council website: Request for Information
- f. Kent Association of Local Councils
 - (i) Notification of Area Committee Meeting held on 20 March 08: Passed to Cllrs. Crawford & Crowley
 - (ii) 2008/09 Subscription & Membership Pack – Copied to members
 - (iii) 2008/09 Publication Order Form
 - (iv) Clerks Detail form: Completed & returned to KALC
 - (v) Parish News (March 08) – Copied to members
 - (vi) Details of Clerks Information Day to be held on 15.05.08
 - (vii) Sandgate Town Council: Notification of change of status from Sandgate Parish Council
- g. Action with Communities in Rural Kent
 - (i) 2008/09 Subscription & Membership Pack – Copied to members
 - (ii) Advice for Local Councils on Creating a Youth Council (copied to Cllrs. Crawford, Mrs Macdonald & Mrs Relf)
 - (iii) Funding for Youth Projects (copied to Cllrs. Crawford, Crowley & Mrs Macdonald)
- h. Department for Communities and Local Government: Empowerment White Paper: Information received – Copied to members
- i. Local Councils Update (March 08 (extract previously copied to members) & April 08))

- j. Highways Agency: Planned roadworks on England's major roads (March – May 08)
- k. KCC
 - (i) Funding Schemes:
 - 2008/09 Local Board and Joint Local Board Funding Schemes (Passed to EPPFC)
 - Community Spaces - Copied to members
 - General information on grants from KCC Local Boards and Members (Passed to EPPFC & Cllr. Crawford)
 - (ii) Trading Standards Alerts (emailed to members)
 - (iii) Kent Empty Property Initiative: Spring 2008 Newsletter
 - (iv) East Peckham Library: 2008 Annual Report - Copied to members
- l. CPRE
 - (i) Fieldwork (March 08)
 - (ii) Viewpoint (Spring 08)
 - (iii) Countryside Voice (Spring 08)
 - (iv) Houses & Gardens 2008 – Details of discounted entry for CPRE members
- m. Emergency Planning society: Blueprint Spring 08 (Passed to Cllr. Poole)
- n. Hospice in the Weald: News Spring 2008
- o. The Standards Board for England: Town & Parish Standard March 08
- p. Cllr Ireland: Email alert passing on a virus warning (forwarded to members)
- q. NHS: Kent Annual Public Health Report (Management Summary)
- r. Friends of the Earth: Invitation to a Public Meeting to be held on 22.04.08 to discuss the Climate Change Bill
- s. Medway Valley Countryside Partnership:
 - (i) Details of a series of photography and art workshops, which are being held during 2008 along the River Medway (Previously copied and distributed to members)
 - (ii) River Medway Wildlife Spotter Guide (Passed to East Peckham Library)
 - (iii) River Medway Heritage Spotter Guide (Passed to East Peckham Library)
 - (iv) Kent Free Trees Scheme
 - (v) Communication cards – Copied to members
 - (vi) Promotional Literature – Copied to members
- t. East Kent Empty Property Initiative: Spring 2008 Newsletter
- u. South East England: Regional Housing Strategy 2008-11
- v. Kenward Trust: Fundraising literature (Request for donation to be considered February 09)
- w. Allianz Insurance: 2008 Insurance Renewal Documentation
- x. Paddock Wood Community Action Plan

- y. Kent Police: Kent KeyLink Scheme - Copied to members
- z. Kent Highway Services: The Speed Limit Review – Copied to members

13. Matters for future Discussion

Cllr Crawford

Drew attention to various environmental issues, which were the subject of concern to residents neighbouring the Friends Animal Sanctuary. The matter would be referred to TMBC.

Cllr Mrs Macdonald

Drew attention to a tree at The Pound (outside the parade of shops), which required attention. TMBC would be asked to deal with the issue; if no funding was available then permission would be sought for the PC to arrange for the work to be carried out by volunteers.

Cllr Ireland

Enquired whether the PC and village would be involved in any litter clearing initiatives. It was noted that the PC held an Annual Bash the Trash event which was due to be arranged shortly and had been invited along with other village organisations to participate in the River Medway Clear up event which had been organised by TMBC and MVCP to take place on 17.05.08.

Cllr Poole

Asked whether the PC could consider producing new footpath maps. Costing options would be sourced and the matter would receive further consideration at a future meeting.

The Clerk

Informed members that there was now a waiting list for an allotment and that she had asked Mr Grenham to provide details of any plots, which were not being used as per the allotment tenancy agreements, which could be greeed up and offered to those on the waiting list.

14. Parishioners Question Time

a. To receive correspondence from Parishioners

Attention was drawn to the following

- (i) Two residents had expressed concern with the level of the PC precept and their dissatisfaction with the running of the sports hall and the playing fields.
- (ii) The Scout Group had advised that they were in the process of applying to County Councillor Long for a member's grant, which would enable them to install a disabled access at the Scout Hut.
- (iii) The Hop Farm Country Park had advised that in addition to the music festival being held on 06.07.08 there would be a comedy event held on 05.07.08, which would be headlined by The Mighty Boosh.
- (iv) A resident had emailed the PC to express disbelief that the PC even considered hosting a French Market
- (iv) A resident had written to the PC offering suggestions on how to increase parking capacity at the Sports Hall. A response had been sent and the resident referred to the EPPFC.

b. Parishioners Questions

A resident expressed his concern regarding the planning application, which had been submitted in respect of Brook Farm Buildings, Church Lane. The PCs Planning committee had objected to the proposal and the resident was advised to avail himself of all options available to him to express his views including the opportunity to speak should the matter be considered at TMBCs Area 2 Planning Committee and the submission of photographic evidence to TMBC.

A resident advised the PC that KHS were responsible for maintaining the culvert in Hale Street (adjacent to his property) and that the responsibility for clearing the culvert was that of the EA.

15. Date of Next Meeting: Annual Meeting of the Parish Council 12 May 2008

There being no additional business, the meeting concluding at 22.00 hours.