



**6 MATTERS ARISING**

58 No matters were raised.

As Clive Stanley of Clive Stanley Associates was present, it was agreed to vary the order of the agenda.

**12 WEBSITE**

59 The Chairman suspended the meeting to allow Mr Stanley to speak.

Mr Stanley said he was webmaster for some parish councils in Kent, including locally Higham, Frindsbury Extra and Halling. He was able to update the Kent Parishes websites or set up and maintain stand-alone websites. The latter would need a separate domain name. The websites were entirely under the control of the relevant parish council and he worked closely with the clerks. The Kent Parishes websites were now more flexible than when the Chairman and Clerk had done the training but were still somewhat restricted. He charged a discount rate of £26/hour, whereas his normal commercial rate was £40/hour.

The Chairman thanked Mr Stanley and reconvened the meeting. He referred to the complexities of maintaining the Kent Parishes website and this was endorsed by the Clerk. The Clerk said that under the new Transparency Code, more items would have to be uploaded regularly and whereas it might take her some hours to do, a webmaster used to the system would spend a lot less time. A stand-alone website would give the opportunity to involve local organisations, such as the Rights of Way Group. Cllr Mrs Rogers said she was worried about the costs involved. The Clerk said that a grant was being made available. She would contact KALC for more information. It was agreed to defer the item to the next meeting.

**7 PLANNING****60 a Applications**

None received.

**61 b Decisions**

None notified.

**c Appeals and Other Matters****62 i Tanglewood, Strawberry Hill, Meopham**

It was reported that this enforcement case in Meopham parish had now gone to its second appeal.

**8 FINANCE****63 a Bank Balances**

The bank balances as listed on Appendix A were noted.

64 **b Cheques signed since last meeting**

The cheques signed since last meeting were ratified.

65 **c Accounts for Payment**

It was proposed by Cllr Mileson, seconded by Cllr Mrs Moorhouse and agreed the accounts for payment (cheques 540 – 541) as listed in Appendix A be approved.

**9 GRANT APPLICATIONS**

66 **a Victim Support**

No grant made.

**10 REVIEW OF STANDING ORDERS**

67 Cllr Mileson asked councillors to read through the draft standing orders and for the item to be deferred to the next meeting.

**11 REVIEW OF FINANCIAL REGULATIONS**

68 Cllr Mileson asked councillors to read through the draft financial regulations and for the item to be deferred to the next meeting.

**13 RECREATION GROUND**

69 Cllr Mrs Stanier had little to report. The grass was being cut regularly. A large part of a willow tree had come down and Cllr Mrs Satnier had reported this to Gravesham Borough Council.

**14 HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORT**

**a Public Rights of Way**

70 i. General Matters. Cllr Mrs Stanier reported that Peter Adams had been doing a lot of clearance. He had strimmed a slightly wider track through the crops.

71 ii. Letter from Dartford and Gravesham Ramblers. Noted. The Clerk had provided details of the Luddesdown Rights of Way Group.

72 **b GBC Transport Panel**

Cllr Mileson had nothing to report.

73 **c Henley Street**

Cllr Mrs Stanier said that Cllr Sweetland had promised to investigate the pothole outside Berkeley, Henley Street and the hedge approaching the Cock Inn. Nothing further had been heard.

**15 GRAVESHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING FOR PARISH CHAIRMEN**

74 Cllr Mileson said the next meeting was on 23<sup>rd</sup> September.

**16 REPORTS ON MEETINGS ATTENDED BY COUNCILLORS****75 a Gravesham Rural Neighbourhood Forum**

Cllr Mrs Moorhouse reported she had been pleased all parishes had been represented. Cllr Sweetland and Cllr John Cubitt, Leader of Gravesham Borough Council had attended. There were many common issues such as flytipping and lorries driving through villages and Cllr Sweetland hoped to develop strategies. The meetings were quarterly. Members of the public were welcome but the meeting was not promoted to them.

**76 b Gravesham Rights of Way Committee**

Cllr Mrs Stanier reported she had attended the meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> June. Flytipping on Holly Hill had been reported. They hoped that the coastal path would be finished by 2020.

**17 KALC/GRAVESHAM AREA COMMITTEE**

77 Cllr Mrs Rogers said the next meeting was on 29<sup>th</sup> July. Items on the agenda included flytipping, HGV movements, the Lower Thames Crossing and London Paramount.

**18 POLICE MATTERS**

78 Cllr Mrs Moorhouse said she would forward Neighbourhood Watch messages to the Clerk for uploading to the website. Cllr Clark said he had met PCSO Kim Ludlow. She had mentioned that there were instances of padlocks being stolen and this was being investigated.

**19 CONSULTATION**

79 No documents received.

**20 CORRESPONDENCE****80 a "Love Kent, Hate Litter"**

A message had been received from Stuart Alford of Gravesham Borough Council about the "Love Kent, Hate Litter" campaign. It was agreed he should be requested to run it again in spring. Cllr Mrs Stanier commented that strong bags would be required.

**21 REPORTS AND CIRCULARS**

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

**22 ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

82 No matters were raised.

The Chairman thanked councillors for attending and closed the meeting at 9.05pm

Signed ..... Chairman

On the ..... day of ..... 2015