

BOUGHTON MONCHELSEA PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 3 July 2007
In Boughton Monchelsea Village Hall pursuant to notice, commencing at 7.30pm

Present: Cllrs I. Ellis (Chairman)
J. Marsh (Vice Chairman)
A. Boden
M. Bray
W. Clarke
R. Fuller
P. Herrin
N. Mitchell
C. Munford
S. Munford
L. Oliver

Mr D. Gouldsworthy (Parish Clerk)
Cllr R. Field (MBC) (part of meeting)
Mrs Penny Roots; KCC Rural Warden
3 Residents

1. **Apologies:**
Apologies were received from Cllr Fitzgerald (MBC) & Cllr Hotson (KCC)
2. **Notification of late items for inclusion in the agenda:**
Members agreed to the inclusion of plans for Beresfords Hill footpath as a late paper for consideration under item 14.
3. **Exempt Items (Standing Order 61):**
Members' agreed that the public and the press should be excluded from the meeting during any discussion on item 13.2 on the grounds that disclosure of personal information may arise which should be treated as confidential. It was agreed to take Item 13.2 after item 5.
4. **Maidstone Police and Rural Warden Reports:**
A representative of Kent Police was not available. Mrs Roots will try to obtain the crime figures for May and June for the next NhW meeting.

Mrs Roots reported a football match is being organised under the social inclusion programme. The next round is at Ditton 21 July; final to be at Charlton Athletic FC ground. Team from Coxheath entered, but none from Boughton Monchelsea.

Kent Police is to launch a new initiative called Kent KeyLink at the County Show to replace existing key holder scheme. Scheme allows key holders to be logged with the police. Fee: £20 for residential properties, £25 for businesses; any operating surplus to be recycled into crime reduction.

Complaints have been received about out of hours anti social behaviour activities at the village hall car park. Intelligence reports have been submitted to the police. Mrs

Roots recommends the village hall committee arrange for the gates to be locked at night to deter use.

Cllr Bray sought confirmation that the recent vandalism at the pavilion had been reported and was being investigated.

5. Open Quarter:

- 5.1 Walk Meadow / Beresfords Hill FP / St Peter's Churchyard: Tom Broughton raised his concerns about the quality of management of Walk Meadow. He reported that until the grass had been cut (the day before) the field had been unusable. Several trees had been damaged during the recent cutting and others have been lost due to neglect. The stile off Bottlescrew Hill is in need of repair and is virtually impassable due to nettles.

It was agreed:

- Footpaths should be cut during May. The Clerk to inform the Council's contractor accordingly. **CLERK**
- The Amenity Trust / Parish Council to invite Kent Wild Life Trust to advise on a management plan that will meet both the aspirations for conservation and recreational use of the land. Cllrs Bray, S. Munford, Mr Broughton and the Clerk to pursue. **CLERK**
- Cllr Bray to pursue the installation of the log benches to be donated by Richard Curties. **CLLR BRAY**
- The Clerk to arrange the stiles to be inspected and repaired as necessary. **CLERK**
- Footpath – Beresfords Hill: The Clerk confirmed that the Council's contractor had been instructed to carry out a cut. Agreed that it should be cut twice a year. **CLERK**
- St Peter's Churchyard: Cllr Ellis to arrange a meeting with David Sayers from the PCC to discuss maintenance of that part of the churchyard kept wild. Cllr Ellis to report back next meeting. **CLLR ELLIS**

- 5.2 Boughton Court open space: Item 10.10 taken at this point. Cllr Field spoke to his proposal to improve the planting scheme of the open space. Members confirmed they will support Cllr Field's proposal. However, it was pointed out to Cllr Field that the open spaces, roads, sewers and landscape areas have not yet been adopted. Cllr Fuller outlined the problems to Cllr Field. Cllr Mitchell advised that trees are available free of charge from certain organisations. Volunteers will be willing to assist in planting.

Cllr Field will check with MBC officers on current status of adoption and will pursue Wimpey's. Cllr Fuller to let Cllr Field have details of the adoption problem areas.

CLLR FIELD & CLLR FULLER

Cllr Marsh reminded members that the area is covered by a mobile CCTV camera and that any planting scheme should take account of this to avoid its view being obscured.

13 Item for Discussion:

13.2 Co-option: To consider an application by Granville Douglas Smith (Doug Smith): Mr Smith was invited to address the meeting in camera and questions were invited. Cllr Ellis proposed that Mr Smith be co-opted onto the Council which was agreed unanimously. Cllr D. Smith signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office and took his seat at the meeting. The Clerk presented Cllr D. Smith with a copy of the Council's Standing Orders and information pack.

6. Declarations of Interests:

Cllr Ellis asked members if they had any interests to declare in respect of any item on the agenda. All Members declared a prejudicial interest in item 9.2 and 9.3 being that they are all trustees of the Boughton Monchelsea Amenity Trust. However, the Standards Committee of Maidstone Borough Council at its meetings on the 28 June 2004, 4 October 2004 and 27 September 2006 has granted a dispensation to all the Members concerned, with the exception of Cllr D. Smith. An application for dispensation is to be made.

CLLR D. SMITH

Cllr Fuller declared a prejudicial interest in the Beresfords Hill footpath scheme being discussed at item 14 in that he is employed as the council's consulting engineer for the scheme.

7. Minutes of the last meeting:

The minutes of the meeting held on the 1 and 15 May 2007 were agreed and signed by the Chairman.

8. Matters Arising:

8.1 Youth Shelter – Concurrent Functions One-off bid: Cllr Bray advised that the sub group considering the location recommended that the youth shelter be erected adjacent to the play area in the recreation ground. This had the approval of the Village Hall and Recreation Ground Committee. It was further recommended that a surfaced path should lead to it from the play area gate. The Clerk confirmed that the bid for grant to surface the entrances into the play area is still awaiting determination.

8.2 East of Maidstone Buses Working Group: Cllr Marsh reported that the Group had met on the 2 July. KCC's Transport Planner has been asked to look again at the Marlpit bus stop improvements previously proposed by the parish council and that a bus link to Coxheath be explored again. The Group will next meet on the 24 September when consideration will be given to the effect any Post Office closures will have in relation to travel distances.

9. Finance Report:

Payments since last meeting (incl VAT):

KAPC	Subscription	676.79
RIP Cleansing Services	Dog bin emptying Walk Meadow	36.19
Village Hall Committee	Room hire / March	31.75
KCC	Stationery / litter pickers	84.54
Cllr J. Marsh	Travel expenses	15.00
Medway Council	Signs (Parish Meeting)	44.06
Mid Kent Water	Allotment water charges	22.85
D. Gouldsworthy	Expenses (Postage & printing)	116.91

KCC	Stationery	29.73
RIP Cleansing Services	Dog bin emptying Walk Meadow	36.19
Medway Council	Warning signs, Walk Meadow	194.22
KCC	Printing (newsletter)	324.50
B. Mon Primary School	Grass cutting grant	238.75
EDF Energy	Electricity, Parish Hut	11.11
Beryl Bush	Refreshments, Parish Meeting	125.00
Brownies	Grant	300.00
Friendship Circle	Grant	150.00
Mother & Toddler Group	Grant	250.00
Playgroup	Grant	250.00
Scouts	Grant	600.00
Youth Club	Grant	300.00
Pedifund	Donation	150.00
Natasha Tuck	Newsletter delivery	80.00
D. Gouldsworthy	Expenses (stationery, stamps etc)	90.97
KCC	Printing (Parish mtg papers)	44.20
Village Hall Committee	Room hire / May	53.75

Receipts:

HMCR	VAT Refund	2747.40
Cash	Book sale	12.00
MBC	Concurrent functions and one off bid grant	7650.33

Balances as at 3 July 2007

Current Account	43,659.34
Business Reserve	17,359.91
National Savings	49,746.25
Total Financial Assets	<u>110,765.50</u>

The statement was agreed as a true record.

- 9.1 MBC: Concurrent functions grant and one off bid: Noted.
- 9.2 BMAT: Furfield Park – to approve a grant to pay for employment of a professional surveyor to agree the boundary of BMAT land with Wimpey development: Cllr Fuller was in contact with Wimpey’s surveyor for the CAD coordinates of the boundary so that they can be overlaid on the registered boundary. It will depend on the amount of information available from Wimpey’s as to the time it will take BMAT’s appointed surveyor to agree and peg the boundary. It was agreed that BMAT may instruct Hook Survey Partnership. The fee to be negotiated by Cllr Fuller. Payment authorised as grant to BMAT. Agreed under Sec 164 of the Public Health Act 1875.

CLLR FULLER

- 9.3 GTT: To approve payment of BMAT legal fees of £158.63: Agreed under Sec 164 of the Public Health Act 1875.

10. Correspondence:

- 10.1 MBC: Furfield Development – Junction Improvement Brishing Lane / Heath Rd: The Clerk reported that Cllr Hotson had called for a meeting with the Parish

Council. Agreed Cllr Ellis, Cllr Herrin, Cllr Fuller and the Clerk to attend. The Clerk to arrange the meeting. **CLLRS ELLIS, HERRIN, FULLER & CLERK**

- 10.2 KAPC: Training Programme – Summer 2007: Noted
- 10.3 Kent Police Authority: Safer Kent Awards: Noted.
- 10.4 Kent Police College: Church Hill, Boughton Monchelsea: The Clerk was instructed to reply that it had been noted that the driver had not noticed what the parents had witnessed. **CLERK**
- 10.5 Maidstone Centre for Social Research: Noted.
- 10.6 Boughton Monchelsea Playgroup: Noted.
- 10.7 St Peter's Church: Noted.
- 10.8 Boughton Monchelsea Scouts: Noted.
- 10.9 Jane Slingsby: Noted.
- 10.10 Cllr Rob Field: Trees at Boughton Court: Dealt with at item 5.2.

11. **Planning Report:**

Cllr Bray reported the following applications had been considered by the Planning and Licensing Committee:

Items dealt with by the Planning & Licensing Committee:

MA/07/TEMP /0014	Oldborough Manor Community School, Boughton Lane, Maidstone Applicant: Kent County Council Outline application for demolition of existing school buildings; Erection of new school (single Academy status for Oldborough Manor Community and Senacre pupils); erection of 6 court sports hall and vocational centre; provision of outdoor play pitches; multi-use games area; 153 car parking spaces, strategic landscaping works and circulatory access. DECISION: Deferred pending site visit by Cllr Fuller 19.6.07. Members unhappy about traffic generation onto Boughton Lane and the impact this would have on the local roads and the ability to get onto Loose Road without the junction being traffic light controlled. Delegated to Cllr Fuller to comment (as follows): 1.0 General: 1.1 The principle of the development is generally acceptable. There can be no real objection to a new education establishment on an education site. 1.2 This once busy and thriving school site has declined and the number of pupils has reduced. The proposed development would lead to a welcome regeneration. 1.3 The parallel proposal to redevelop the Senacre	KCC notified 21.6.07
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Technology College site with housing there should ideally include the provision of some amenities for the wider community.

2.0 Concerns.

2.1 The main concern would be traffic generation on an inadequate highway infrastructure. The overall pupil numbers may become similar to the 1970's but travel patterns and demographics have changed significantly in the last 40 years.

2.2 Highway improvements, especially at the Loose Road/Boughton Lane junction are long overdue and their provision should be a condition on any planning consent.

2.3 The traffic routes to school via Sutton Road, the Wheatsheaf junction and Loose Road must be made more commodious than rat-running through Boughton Lane from the south.

2.4 Safe and convenient drop off points should be considered in the final travel plan.

2.5 Safe pedestrian and cycle routes to school via Mangravel should be provided. Enhancement of the surface, lighting and signing of these routes should be a condition on any planning consent.

2.6 The existing public footpath network from Pested Bars and from Queen Elizabeth Square could be enhanced to provide an alternative pedestrian and cycle route to Oldborough Manor.

3.0 The Long Term Future.

3.1 If the proposed development is as successful as hoped and if provision is made in the future for increasing pupil numbers, improvements to the infrastructure must take place.

		MBC Notified
MA/07/1044	1 Lewis Court Row Cottages, Hermitage Lane, B. Monchelsea Applicant: Mr & Mrs Kingsmill Erection of a two storey side extension and rear dormer. DECISION: No objection or comment.	14.6.07
MA/07/1094	Parkwood Estate, Land off Bircholt Road, Maidstone Erection of 40 commercial units and renovation of existing building Applicant: Develila, Frantham LLP & R.F. Rushton DECISION: No objection or comment.	14.6.07
MA/07/1107	Land west of Beresford Cottage, The Quarries, B. Monchelsea Applicant: J & J Judge Demolition of existing livestock building and storage buildings, construction of one two storey dwelling and provision of seven off-road car parking spaces, (re-submission of MA/06/2081)	22.6.07

DECISION: Delegated to chairman in consultation with the Clerk to review previous decision at meeting of 13.6.07. Draft response considered at site meeting 14.6.07 and agreed as:

1.If development of this site is to be permitted, the Parish Council feels it is essential that provision is made within the application site for affordable off-road parking for local residents enforceable through a planning agreement. The current application provides seven off-road parking spaces of which five (5) for designated for use by local residents. The application does not state how parking is to be provided for either the applicants retained land nor for the new development. However, the Parish Council feels that there are insufficient off-road parking spaces being provided in the current application and for this reason alone it would like to see the application **REFUSED.**

2.Insufficient room has been left at the parking spaces for vehicles to manoeuvre. The spaces require a turning head to be provided which should be kept clear at all times.

3.The Parish Council has had reason to report recently that emergency services had difficulty accessing The Quarries due to cars and vans parked at a 'pinch' point in the road opposite Beresfords Cottage. Any consent should be conditional on parking restrictions (double yellow lines) being applied to the whole or part of the length of road outside the application site and frontage to Beresfords Cottage linked to the provision of off-road parking, the costs of which should be borne by the applicant through a planning agreement. Restrictions should be applied to the road either side of the access in particular to allow visibility and turning space for drivers entering and leaving the site.

4.The Parish Council was advised by the applicant's agent on the previous application that a charge will be made for the use of the five (5) spaces allocated for local residents. If there is no means of making these spaces freely available to encourage off-road parking, any charge should be reasonable and affordable. It is preferable that the spaces are provided free of charge in perpetuity as part of any planning agreement.

5.It is noted that additional use of the access is intended to a proposed paddock (not part of this application). The Parish Council questions whether the use of the access

for this, together with the development and seven car parking spaces is an over intensive use given the restricted width of the proposed access and difficult egress point onto The Quarries.

6.The ragstone frontage walls should not be disturbed in any way and should be protected during any building operations.

7.The hedges on top of and behind the ragstone walls should be retained. There should be no form of fencing or other hard landscaping on the visible road frontage.

8.Delivery of materials during construction should be by small vehicles as The Quarries is a narrow road and any blockage will inconvenience residents and impede access for emergency vehicles. There are overhead power lines on the road frontage and across the application site which will in any case restrict the use of vehicle mounted hydraulic hoists to off load materials direct from lorries. There is also a weight restriction on Bottlescrew Hill from the Boughton Lane direction.

9.The applicant should be required to produce a methodology statement of the arrangements for developing the site covering access, temporary parking and working hours.

MA/07/1097

Wierton Oast, Wierton Hill, Boughton Monchelsea
Applicant: Ms H. Chell

14.6.07

Alterations to south east elevation and erection of a detached three bay garage with associated new driveway entrance.

DECISION: Deferred at meeting 13.6.07 for site meeting 14.6.07 - Refuse.

Members had no objection or comment on the alterations proposed to the elevations of the property, but had objections to the proposed detached three bay garage. Due to it being a combined application the Parish Council had no option but to recommend that it be refused for that reason alone on the following grounds:

1. The garages in the location proposed will have a significant adverse appearance on the landscape due to its mass and height in a prominent position on an open hillside in this designated Special Landscape Area.
2. The proposed garages will be on the boundary and will be visible from Tanyard, a significant and important

Grade II listed building. The garages will adversely affect the visual setting of Tanyard.

3. The proposed access has very restricted visibility to the south and will be a hazard in this location.

4. The garages in the position proposed will stand isolated and away from the property they are to serve. There is no explanation given as to why the 'covenant' referred to in the agents covering letter prevents these garages being rebuilt on the site of the existing garages which is better placed to serve the property and preferable in visual and planning terms.

MA/07/1087

Land west of Stone House, Heath Road, Linton

22.6.07

Applicant: Mr Collins

Change of use of land for residential caravan site for a gypsy family plus improvement of access, laying of hardstanding and landscaping.

DECISION: Refuse. Delegated to chairman in consultation with the Clerk at meeting 13.6.07 to review Local Plan Policies. Draft response considered at site meeting 14.6.07 and agreed as:

1. The site is within an area designated as a Special Landscape Area. Any development would be contrary to Policy ENV34 of the Maidstone Borough Wide Local Plan 2000. The Parish Council contends that this designation overrides any argument that it is an acceptable location for a gypsy site.

2. The Parish Council is particularly concerned that there should be no new development on the south side of Heath Road so that it should remain a natural boundary of built development with the open countryside and Greensand Ridge. The Parish Council objected to the development of the former Fire Brigade Training Centre for this reason. Having lost that cause, it does not wish to see it being used as a precedent for further inappropriate development.

3. The natural habitat and environment has already been disturbed with the illegal activities of the applicant. The Parish Council does not wish to see further despoliation of the countryside with sporadic development.

4. Despite a 40 mph restriction on Heath Road, traffic generally exceeds the limit. Further accesses onto Heath Road in the proximity of the Hubbards Lane junction and the new school and church development, will create a hazard.

5.The development if permitted would adversely affect the amenities of the occupants of Stone House.

6.The applicant and his agent are obviously not familiar with landscaping otherwise they would not suggest either poplar or willow as an appropriate form of screening. The applicant only needs to see the poplar trees in Hubbards Lane to see that it and willow would be highly inappropriate against a back drop of natural oak and chestnut woodland forming the tree belt on the ridge and in the adjoining Linton Park covered by Policy ENV19(iv). If the development is acceptable according to the applicant, why does it need screening?

7.The Parish Council expects the planning authority to rigorously vet the status of the applicant to determine if he fully qualifies for the gypsy status he claims.

8. The Parish Council questions why if the applicant enjoys a 'nomadic' life, it is that he feels it is necessary to have a permanent base. All of the health and education services sought are available where ever he may be roam, in fact it could be said that he is better off in that way as he can move to wherever the services are best provided.

MA/07/1121	74 Church Street, Boughton Monchelsea Applicant: Mr R. Smith Erection of a two storey rear extension replacing existing single storey extension. DECISION: No objection or comment	14.6.07
MA/07/1128	Parkwood Trading Estate, Cuxton Road, Maidstone Applicant: Manor Touch Ltd Extension and alterations to light industrial units approved under MA/06/2103 DECISION: No objection or comment.	14.6.07
MA/07/1155	Hillview, Green Lane, Boughton Monchelsea Applicant: Mr & Mrs Stevens Construction of a first floor side and rear extension. DECISION: No objection or comment.	14.6.07
MA/07/0947	Senacre Technology College, Sutton Road, Maidstone Applicant: Applicant: Kent County Council Outline application for residential development with all other matters reserved. DECISION: No objection or comment	TBN
MA/07/ 1200	Lothlorien, Bottlescrew Hill, Boughton Monchelsea Applicant: Mr & Mrs Newland Outline application for the erection of a single dwelling in the grounds of Lothlorien Cottage, with layout, scale, appearance and access to be considered at this stage	TBD

MA/07/1274 and landscaping reserved for future consideration.
Spindlewood, Wierton Hill, Boughton Monchelsea TBD
Applicant: David Page
Installation of a swimming pool

Items dealt with by the chairman and vice chairman under delegated authority:

MA/07/0895 Oast Cottage, Boughton Lane, Boughton Monchelsea 24.5.07
Applicant: Mr J. Norman
Erection of a single storey side extension
DECISION: No Comment or objection.

MA/07/0941 The Stable, Chart Hill Road, Staplehurst 7.6.07
Applicant: Mr & Mrs Morgan
Creation of new entrance lobby, installation of a skylight and glazed screen
DECISION: No Comment or objection.

MA/07/0992 Amber Green Cottage, Back Lane, Boughton Monchelsea 7.6.07
Applicant: Mr Porter
Construction of a conservatory
DECISION: No Comment or objection.

TA/0073/07 The Barn, Heath Road, Boughton Monchelsea 7.6.07
Applicant: Mr Sealey
Tree preservation consent: Removal of two branches on north side of one Ash tree to rebalance crown
DECISION: No Comment or objection.

MA/07/0998 Tudor Cottage, Green lane, Boughton Monchelsea 7.6.07
Applicant: Mr Stirling
Listed Building Consent for removal of existing stairs, infilling of void at first floor level to form additional floor space; installation of partition at first floor level to form additional bedroom
DECISION: No Comment or objection.

MA/07/1168 2 Stone Cottages, Heath Road, Boughton Monchelsea 27.6.07
Applicant: Mr & Mrs Price
Conservation Area consent for enlargement of the garage space and replacement of the flat roof with a ridge roof
DECISION: No Comment or objection.

The following applications had been APPROVED by MBC:

TA/0073/07 The Barn, Heath Road, Boughton Monchelsea
Notification of intention to remove two branches on north side of one Ash tree to rebalance crown and remove deadwood, the tree being located within Boughton Monchelsea (Cock Street) Conservation Area.

The following applications had been REFUSED by MBC:

MA/06/2260 Pleasant Acres, Brishing Road, Chart Sutton
Erection of replacement agricultural dwelling.

MA/07/0528 Gentian, Heath Road, Boughton Monchelsea
Erection of new detached dwelling to replace existing kennels and reinstatement of existing road.

12. Representatives' Reports:

12.1 KAPC: Cllr Ellis had nothing to report.

12.2 Allotments: No report.

12.3 Village Hall & Recreation Ground: Cllr Bray reported that the kitchen is at last due to be replaced. Members commented on the apparent problems with replacing lighting tubes in the hall. The Clerk was instructed to write to the Village Hall Committee to seek terms for the use of a room off the changing area for conversion into a parish office.
CLERK

12.4 Neighbourhood Watch: Cllr Marsh had nothing to report.

12.5 S&W Maidstone Traffic Management Partnership (TRAMP): Cllr Herrin reported that TRAMP members had visited Leicestershire to view the scheme of restricting HGV's to certain routes. KCC had been reluctant to go. The speed limit review is under way.

12.6 Local Board: Cllr Herrin reported that the Board meeting at Boughton Monchelsea had been well attended by comparison to other Board meetings. Cllr Herrin further reported that he would not be able to attend the next meeting on the 18 July. The Clerk is to enquire if Mr Kevin Miller would attend given the topic is on health matters.
CLERK

13. Items for Discussion:

13.1 Greening of Boughton Monchelsea – Feedback by Cllr Mitchell: Cllr Mitchell gave a brief report on the responses he had received as a result of the questionnaire put out at the Parish Meeting. It was agreed to invite Penny Kemp from Headcorn PC to the next meeting to report on recycling initiatives implemented at Headcorn.
CLLR MITCHELL

13.2 Co-option: Granville Douglas Smith: Dealt with after item 5 above.

14. Deferred Items Schedule:

14.1 Beresfords Hill footpath scheme – Stage 2: Cllr Fuller produced plans and sections of the footpath for consideration. Maintenance of the roadside hedge was discussed. The Clerk was instructed to contact Mr Gill's hedge cutting contractor to determine if the scheme as drawn would accommodate tractor mounted cutting of the inside face of the hedge with a fence erected on the back edge of the path. Plan to be modified if necessary and submitted to KCC PROW for approval before any meeting with Mr Gill.
CLERK

Meeting to be arranged between the Parish Council, Mr Gill, his representative and Kent County Council's PROW representative to finalise scheme and determine whether a Public Path Creation Order will be required or whether it can be done by agreement.
CLLRS FULLER, D. SMITH, HERRIN & CLERK

15. Any other Business:

15.1 Speedwatch: Cllr Herrin reported that he had recruited another volunteer.

- 15.2 Kent Highways - Parish July spreadsheet: Cllr Herrin reported that the hedge opposite Parsonage Farm had still not been dealt with and that he would make special mention to Highways of the importance of it being cut given the recent reported accident.
- 15.3 Pedifund: Cllr Clarke passed on the thanks from the Pedifund for the donation made to it by the Parish Council.
- 15.4 Quarry Wood footpath: Cllr Bray reported that Andy Wright is working with another scout group who may be able to assist with forming the footpath as part of a Duke of Edinburgh scheme.
- 15.5 Clerk's holiday. Cllr Marsh volunteered to take calls in the absence of the Clerk. The Clerk notified members that items for the agenda needed to be with him by no later than the week commencing 13 August if they are to be on the agenda.
- 15.6 Coombe Quarry Park & Ride. The Clerk reported the decision by MBC to close this Park & Ride facility.
- 15.7 Footpath KM109: The Clerk reported that KCC's footpaths officer had raised an official complaint with BMAT about vegetation encroaching onto footpath KM109 from the newly acquired Brishing Quarry land. The Clerk was instructed to arrange clearance on behalf of BMAT. **CLERK**
16. **Date of Next Meeting:**
The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 4 September 2007. There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 9.40 pm.

MINUTE 14 (Parish Council meeting 3 July 2007)

SCHEDULE OF DEFERRED ITEMS CARRIED FORWARD FROM PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS:

BMPC DATE:	ITEM:	ACTION:	POSITION AS OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 3 July 2007
11.3.03	Wierton Place	Victorian Greenhouses – conservation	MBC set up liaison group with owner’s agent & architect. Considering enabling development. Meeting requested with MBC’s Conservation Officer. Clerk to complain to CE MBC about lack of action and commitment to preserve these listed buildings (4.7.06). Response discussed mtg 5.9.06. Update report received from MBC (6.3.07)
13.5.03	Wierton Place	Untidy Site Notice	With MBC’s Enforcement Team. Meeting requested with MBC’s Conservation Officer. Response discussed mtg 5.9.06. Update report received from MBC (6.3.07)
4.6.98	Ld at Boughton Court	Transfer from MBC to BMAT.	MBC awaiting transfer of open space from developer. Re-confirmed by letter 29.7.04 from MBC. Mtg with Wimpey’s 4.10.06. Letter awaited.
11.5.04	Footway; Beresfords Hill	East side: (‘Beresfords’ land).	Meeting held with Mr Gill 24 November 2004. Kent Highways Manager in attendance. Meeting BMPC 3.5.05 agreed to request KCC PROW to promote a Public Path Creation Order under Sec 26, Highways Act 1980 instead of a CPO through MBC. BMPC agree to bear all costs and any compensation. BMPC further agree to make offer through KCC PROW to cut hedge in perpetuity – District Valuer instructed to act. Concurrent functions bid for funds granted 2005/6 (£7.5K) subject to Order being confirmed. BMPC re-confirmed agreement to meet all costs of Order 1.11.05. Public consultation concludes 23.1.06. With KCC’s Regulation Committee for decision to proceed with Order. Request Cllr Hotson to chase KCC (2.5.06). Consultation mtg required by KCC PROW to be arranged with landowner. (4.7.06) & (5.9.06). Mtg 25.10.06. Fencing issues & approval to prepare scheme plans (7.11.06). Fencing issues referred to MBC planners 16.1.07). Planners response considered. Agreed consulting engineers to be instructed to draw up scheme for submission for planning approval after consultation with the landowner. (6.3.07). Plans considered at mtg 3.7.07. Mtg to be arranged with landowner & KCC
6.9.05	Flooding; The Quarries	Bored pipe / estimate – Harts House pond. Investigative borehole The Quarries	Review in context of overall recommendations from MBC. Drilling rig being repaired. MBC liaising with highways for road closure order for The Quarries to drill 15 & 16 August 06 (2.5.06). Borehole drilled but unlikely to be of use (7.11.06)
4.7.06	Walk Meadow	Lease-back by Parish Council	To be considered at May 2007 meeting of the Parish Council. Deferred pending decision from Trust (1.5.07). Trust does not wish to lease back to PC. Delete item.
16.1.07	Furfield Quarry	Methane monitoring	Update reports obtained & passed to Cllr Fuller / meeting of Custodian Trustees.