

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
HASTINGLEIGH PARISH COUNCIL ON 14th JUNE 2011**

Present: Cllr Gardener (Chair) Cllr Mrs Boxall
Cllr Mrs Helmer Cllr Johnson

There were 3 members of the public in attendance
Cllrs Howard and Wood were in attendance

To be actioned by

1 Apologies

Apologies had been received from Cllr Mrs Day.

2 Minutes of the last meeting and matters arising

The minutes of the last meeting were agreed and signed.

- The Risk Assessment had been circulated as requested.

3 Declaration of Interest

Cllr Gardener declared an interest in the papers box

4 Pond Project

The Parish council reported on the meeting held with the Kent Stour Countryside Partnership about grant funding. The Parish council agreed that a contribution of £375 will be paid and the rest of the funds will come from KSCP or Awards for All. The display board theme was agreed to be A1, lectern with wooden legs and frame. The theme will be the Parish and pond, noting the church, footpaths, pond and possibly the long barrow. The board will be made from GRP.

A title of "Enhancing the Heart of Hastingleigh" was agreed as the least precocious of the suggestions. It was agreed that the notice board would not be moved at this time. There was some discussion regarding the negative effect the willow was having on the pond but the Parish Councillors were not willing to have this removed. A crown reduction of the willow tree was agreed and cutting back of the lower branches of the London Plane tree.

5 Papers box - request to place it on the legs of the notice board

Cllr Johnson took over Chairing this item because Cllr Gardener has an interest.

The Parish Council were approached about having a papers box attached to the legs of the notice board. Following a discussion it was agreed that the box could go where suggested as long as the Parish Council insurance covers it. The Clerk will check the insurance documents.

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6 Risk Assessment

There are no changes to the Risk Assessment.

7 Financial Statement

A copy of the financial report was distributed to all Councillors.

Cheques were signed for Lawncare for £68.00 AND Audrey MacCormack for the Internal Auditor for £60.00.

8 Correspondence

The Highways forum date has changed to 11th July at Kent Highways depot. Cllr Gardener to attend.

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9 Any Other Business

Cllr Mrs Helmer reported on the networking lunch she had attended for the Parish Council.

Peter Wood/William Howard informed the Council that:

John Lewis are hoping to open a store at Junction 9 by the end of 2012.

The policy statement has been forward to all Parish Councils.

Planning development is to change, it will consult the community more. Willim Howard will be covering Hastingleigh.

Recycling - there will be a blue box scheme in Ashford within the next 4 years. Cobbs Wood Recycling centre will also be increased in size.

10 Date of the Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday July 12th 2011.

Signed:

Date: