

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF  
HASTINGLEIGH PARISH COUNCIL ON 21<sup>st</sup> JULY 2015**

Present: Cllr Gardener (Chair) Cllr Mrs Day  
Cllr Mrs Helmer

In Attendance: 2 members of the public and Cllr William Howard

		To be actioned by
<b>1</b>	<b>Apologies</b>	
	Apologies had been received from Cllrs Johnson and Mrs Boxall.	
<b>2</b>	<b>Declaration of Interest</b>	
	There were no declarations of interest on items on the agenda.	
<b>3</b>	<b>Minutes of the last meeting and matters arising</b>	
	The minutes of the last meeting were agreed and signed.	
<b>4</b>	<b>Matters Arising</b>	
	Cllr Gardener agreed he will source and purchase a Union Flag for the War Memorial, it should be about 36" in length. Cllr Mrs Day is yet to put an article in the magazine regarding the documenting of War Memorials in England.	WG KD
<b>5</b>	<b>Letter from a resident</b>	
	The Clerk had received a letter from a resident of Elmsted regarding land ownership and maintaining of Common Land. Cllr Mrs Day is to craft a response explaining that there is no dispute over what they owe and suggesting that they stop maintaining land that is not theirs. The letter will then be forwarded to Elmsted Parish Council for approval prior to sending to the resident.	KD TB
<b>6</b>	<b>Financial Statement</b>	
	A copy of the financial report and a budget v expenditure was distributed to all Councillors. A cheque was written to Lawncare.	
<b>7</b>	<b>Risk Assessment</b>	
	There are no changes to the Risk Assessment. The Clerk did, however, suggest that a routine of checking play equipment should be established with immediate effect so that the Parish Council is compliant with its insurance schedule. It was agreed that the Clerk would create the document and purchase a book to be passed from Councillor to Councillor. Cllr Mrs Day agreed to cover August, Cllr Gardener to cover September and Cllr Mrs Helmer to cover October.	TB KD/ WG/ YH
<b>8</b>	<b>Correspondence</b>	
	The Clerk had circulated all correspondence.	
<b>9</b>	<b>Any Other Business</b>	
	Cllr Howard reported that Ashford Borough Council had purchased the leasehold for Park Mall, Wilko, Dover Place and International House and plan to open up the Station Forecourt to make the college in Elwick Road more accessible. Elwick road college site is to be opened in 3 phases. Hadlow College bought K College and are re-branding the Elwick road site as Ashford College. There was some discussion at the former Ashdown Court site. The Panorama looks to be a success. The old Tax Office has been sold off to a developer for residential development. Junction 10A is to progress regardless of the development in Sevington. Operation Stack is causing chaos and costing KCC a fortune. Lorry parks are being considered at Westenhanger and Folkestone Race course. No changes are being recommended for a boundary review.	

	<p>The Clerk had asked about the provision of a bin for the hall and the emptying of such, however, this is not possible as the bin is in Shepway.  Cllr Howard has some money and would encourage the village hall/community groups to apply for a grant, £500 is available.</p> <p>The Clerk told the meeting that the Footpath Warden had reported the footpath from New Barn to Cold Blow.</p> <p>There was some discussion regarding the salt bag at the garage.</p>	
	<p><b>Date of the Next Meeting</b>  The next meeting will be held on Tuesday September 8<sup>th</sup> 2015.</p>	
	<p>The meeting closed at 9.10pm</p>	

Signed: .....

Date: .....