

## CHALVINGTON WITH RIPE PARISH COUNCIL

### DRAFT MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF

7th March 2011

held at The Hayton Baker Hall, Ripe

PRESENT: Cllr Brass (Chair)      Cllr Ward  
          Cllr Dadswell            Cllr Webb  
          Cllr Mrs Allcock

ATTENDING: County Councillor Bennett, District Councillor Watkins, A O'Sullivan (Clerk). There were also six members of the public in attendance.

116. Cllr Bishop sent his apologies for absence.

117. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 7<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2011 - These minutes were approved and signed.

118. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST: There were no disclosures of interests.

119. REPORT FROM CHAIRMAN ON PARISHES LANDRAISE CO-ORDINATION COMMITTEE etc

There was nothing new to report at this stage although a new plan is anticipated in approximately two month's time.

The meeting was suspended.

PUBLIC ADJOURNMENT –

C Cllr Bennett reported that he met the Head of Planning at ESCC to whom he stressed that land raise is not an acceptable option for the disposal of rubbish. Other options are possible and Cllr Bennett is to send a more detailed update to the Clerk.

C Cllr Bennett also reported that there is to be a meeting of Cabinet tomorrow and he will report this meeting back to Councillors after. He will also send a budget briefing, news about the progress of Build East Sussex and news about the South East Seven to the Clerk.

Mrs Sue Hill thanked the Parish Council for its recent donation towards the Royal Wedding celebrations, the organisation of which is going well.

D Cllr Andy Watkins said that a decision had been taken by the Cabinet Member responsible to hold all District Council Planning Committee meetings in Crowborough for 18 months from May whilst the Hailsham office is being rebuilt. This could involve a fifty mile round trip for some residents wishing to attend. He said there were other suitable venues in the south of the District and he had led a call in of that decision which would now be reconsidered by the Internal and Audit Scrutiny Committee.

D Cllr Watkins is to send a detailed report on Council Tax to the Clerk.

C Cllr Bennett left the meeting.

The meeting was then re-opened.

120. ACTIONS REQUIRED BY PARISH COUNCIL: None.

121. PLANNING MATTERS.

**WD2011/0126F – Field North of West Lyn, Chalvington** – Change of use of redundant building to use class B1 for uses associated with the occupants of Chalvington House – No objections.

**WD2011/0196LBR – The Old Cottage, Ripe** – New double glazed door in rear elevation to replace existing window – No objections.

**WD2011/0159F - Curls Barn, Ripe Lane** – Erection of dwelling house on existing foundations, demolition and reinstatement of existing flint walls, refurbishment of an existing outbuilding and erection of a new timber garage and store building – No objections.

**WD2011/0361 – 2 Lovers Meadow, Chalvington** – Demolition of existing garage. Ground and first floor side extension, additional off road parking and garden store – No objections.

**WD2011/0304LB – Mount Pleasant Farm, Chalvington Road** – Superstructure repair and redecoration works to right hand end of property – No objections.

122. REPORT ON PLANNING DECISIONS TAKEN BY WDC - None.

123. CORRESPONDENCE.

Wealden – Bulletin.

The correspondence was duly noted.

124. DEANLAND SPEED LIMIT – This item was postponed until Councillors have asked Deanland to confirm their contribution in writing.

125. RISK ASSESSMENT – Councillors **RESOLVED** to form a Working Party to carry out a Risk Assessment of the Parish Council's assets. The Working Party is to consist of Cllrs Webb, Brass and Ward. A copy of the Village Hall's Risk Assessment has been requested from the Village Hall Committee.

126. BUSINESS PLAN – The decision to form a Business Plan has been deferred until after the Decentralisation and Localism Bill has been passed.

127. CHANGE OF NAME – Councillors discussed whether to become a Community Council in light of the changes proposed in the Localism Bill but **RESOLVED** unanimously that Chalvington with Ripe Parish Council will remain Chalvington with Ripe Parish Council.

128. CHEQUES FOR PAYMENT – The following cheques were approved for payment;

A O'Sullivan – Wages

Chq 100748

129. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS –

Councillors asked the Clerk to forward a crime number to ESCC following the destruction of the fingerpost sign at the Ripe Lane junction.

Meeting concluded at 20.30hrs