

BOUGHTON MONCHELSEA PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 2nd November 2010 In Boughton Monchelsea Village Hall pursuant to notice, commencing at 7.30pm

Present:

Cllrs S. Munford (Chairman)
 D. Smith
 S. Evans
 I. Ellis
 C. Bracking
 J. Thompson
 W. Clarke
 L. Date
 P. Herrin
 M. Bray

Cllr David Burton
Cllr Mike Fitzgerald
Parish Clerk
3 residents

1. **Apologies:**
Apologies were received from Cllr Oliver (holiday), Cllr Williams (inaugural north ward NHW meeting), Cllr Witherington.
2. **Notification of late items for inclusion on the agenda**
No late items.
3. **Standing Order 61: To decide whether the public and press should be excluded from the meeting for any item.**
It was agreed that item 14.7 should be considered as an exempt item due to its commercially sensitive nature. Proposed by Cllr Ellis, seconded by Cllr Evans, agreed by all Councillors.
4. **Reports from Maidstone Police / PCSO and KCC Rural Community Warden**
PCSO Richard Chainey reported crime figures as follows :
September 2010 – eight incidents of theft (four motor vehicles, one pedal cycle, three thefts from properties), two incidents of criminal damage to property, one attempted burglary.
October 2010 – six incidents of theft (pedal cycle, village hall key, roofing tiles, two mobile phones, one theft from a property), two incidents of criminal damage (vehicle and property), three burglaries from properties in Roman Way, one fraudulent telephone call

Cllr Munford expressed concern at the recent rise in crimes within the parish. Cllr Munford asked which areas PCSO Chainey covers. PCSO Chainey advised that he covers Boughton Monchelsea, Chart Sutton and Loose. Cllr Munford proposed that the clerk write to the Police expressing concern at the increase in crime and

requesting additional Police patrols in order to effectively deal with or prevent the crimes that are occurring. Seconded by Cllr Bray, agreed by all Councillors.

CLERK

Cllr Munford advised that Cllr Williams had sent her apologies for the Parish Council meeting as she was at another meeting, setting up a new Neighbourhood Watch group for north ward. It was noted that the existing Boughton Monchelsea Neighbourhood Watch group and the new north ward group would work closely together in the future.

KCC Warden, Liz Lovatt reported as follows :

- The Police have made several arrests recently following a number of burglaries in Roman Way.
- A large number of kent peg roof tiles were removed from a property recently.
- Neighbourhood Watch scheme members can purchase Smart Water for £20. This can be used to mark a wide range of items with a unique DNA, e.g. power tools, sat nav's, garden furniture, jewellery.
- A resident received a call recently from a person claiming to be fund raising for a hospital. The caller requested bank details in order to set up a direct debit. Anyone interested in donating to a charity should approach the organisation directly.
- A works vehicle recently had tools stolen from a strong box. Vehicles should always be kept secure and possessions removed.
- £10,000 worth of fireworks were stolen recently in the mid Kent area. Any 'out of norm' sales of fireworks should be reported to Kent Police
- There were no reported incidents of anti-social behaviour during Halloween.
- Maidstone Borough Council are looking for suitable sites for recycling banks. It was suggested that Liz might approach the owners of the social club in Church Street and Campfield Farm off Haste Hill Road.

5. Open Quarter:

A resident asked whether the cutting back of trees adjacent to Harling Close had been progressed. Cllr Munford advised that there had been no progress on this by Taylor Wimpey. He further advised that the land had not yet been transferred from the developer to the Borough Council. The clerk asked the resident for her e-mail address so she could keep her updated on progress. In addition, Cllr Fitzgerald agreed to chase up the Borough Council with regard to this. Clerk to copy recent correspondence to Cllr Fitzgerald.

CLERK

6. Declarations of Interests:

No interests were declared.

7. Minutes of the last meeting:

The minutes of the meeting held on 7 September 2010 were agreed as correct. Proposed by Cllr Ellis, seconded by Cllr Clarke. Agreed by all Councillors.

Cllr Munford advised that he has yet to contact Mrs Stout regarding the planters on Heath Road (item 9). **CLLR MUNFORD**

Cllr Munford advised that a letter will be sent out to residents in The Maltings but that the issues are still being researched (item 11.4) **CLERK / CLLR MUNFORD**

Cllr Bracking advised that water tanks for the allotments had now been sourced. These were being provided free of charge to the Parish Council (item 13.2).

Cllr Munford advised that Kent Highways were unable to provide the communal salt in 25kg bags and that only a 1T bag was available. This would be delivered to the parish hut on The Green. It was noted that the salt bins around the parish appear to have been filled in preparation for the winter months (item 14.9).

The clerk advised that Kent Highways had instructed their contractor to cut back the overgrown vegetation at the junction of Joywood and Brishing Lane (item 15.2)

It was agreed that a builder should be employed to take down the sign on The Green and deliver to Graham Clarke for renovation (item 15.4). **CLLR MUNFORD**

8. Clerk's Report:

The contents of the Clerk's Report were noted.

9. Matters arising from minutes not included in agenda

No matters arising

10. Finance Report:

Payments since last meeting (incl VAT) :

Village hall committee	Hall hire	8.00
RIP Cleaning Services	Dog bin emptying / August	38.07
Parish Clerk	Agenda printing	37.03
A. Harvey	Village hall upgrade works – ceiling remedial work	1085.00
N. Tuck	Newsletter delivery	100.00
Audit Commission	Audit fee	493.50
BG Electrical Contractors	Village hall upgrade works – lighting remedial work	126.90
EDF Energy Customers plc	Electricity – parish hut	28.43
Village hall committee	Hall hire	65.50
RIP Cleaning Services	Dog bin emptying / September	47.59
Aquarius Soft Furnishings	Village hall upgrade works – new curtains	5156.25
P. Herrin	Expenses relating to Parkwood reservoir scheme (reclaimable from DEFRA grant)	180.54
Black & Veatch	Professional fees and expenses relating to Parkwood reservoir scheme (reclaimable from DEFRA grant)	2350.00

Kent County Council (KCS)	Newsletter printing	638.00
Idea Signs	Signs for Beresfords Hill footpath and parish office	31.84

Receipts:

Maidstone Borough Council	Concurrent functions grant (second instalment)	7815.50
Allotment leaseholders	Allotment rent	964.00

Balances as at 31 August 2010 :

Current Account	39802.77
Business Reserve	6422.33
National Savings	54121.50
Total Financial Assets	100346.60

It was proposed by Cllr Ellis, seconded by Cllr Smith that the finance report should be accepted.

11. Correspondence:

11.1 Public Works Loan Board – Proposed withdrawal of cheque handling : It was agreed that the balance of the loan (approximately £59) should be paid off rather than continuing with small payments of a few pounds every six months. **CLERK**

11.2 Kent County Council – Proposed changes to planning application validation process : It was agreed that if Councillors had any comments to make on the proposed revised validation documents, these should be forwarded to the clerk prior to 13/12/10. **ALL CLLRS**

11.3 MBC – new weekly food waste collection service : It was suggested that the Friendship Circle might appreciate a visit from the Waste Collection Team in order to explain the forthcoming changes to the waste collection service. Clerk to contact John Phillips from the Friendship Circle to arrange. **CLERK**

11.4 Kent Highway Services – speed limit review area 1 : The contents of the letter were noted.

11.5 Kent County Council – Bold steps for Kent medium term plan : It was agreed that Cllr Bray would review this document on behalf of the Parish Council and return any comments to the clerk in advance of the 12th November deadline. **CLLR BRAY**

12. Planning Report:

The following applications had been considered by the Planning and Licensing Committee:

		MBC notified
MA/10/1390	31 The Quarries, Boughton Monchelsea Erection of a single storey front extension DECISION : No objection / comment	20/9/10
MA/09/2024	Parkwood Farm, Brishing Lane, Boughton Monchelsea Part retrospective planning permission for the erection of	16/9/10

	polytunnels.....(AMENDED / ADDITIONAL DETAILS ONLY)	
	DECISION : No comments	
MA/10/1097	Scout Hut, Church Hill, Boughton Monchelsea Change of use of land from scout hut to place of religious worship (AMENDED / ADDITIONAL DETAILS ONLY)	16/9/10
	DECISION : No comments on additional information however original comments still stand	
MA/10/1406	Mercedes Benz of Maidstone, Bircholt Road, Maidstone An application for advertisement consent for the installation of 3 no internally illuminated wall mounted fascia signs, 1 no externally illuminated pylon sign, 9 no non-illuminated freestanding directional signs and 3 no flagpole signs	16/9/10
	DECISION : No objection / comment	
MA/10/1439	21 Bircholt Road, Maidstone Alterations involved in the conversion of existing garage workshop to vehicle bodyshop repair, including rear extension, re-cladding of front elevation and workshop roof, and new fencing and gates (resubmission of MA/10/0605)	16/9/10
	DECISION : No objection / comment	
MA/10/1379	11 Haste Hill Close, Boughton Monchelsea Variation of condition 1 of planning permission MK/3/64/467 to allow conversion of garage to living accommodation at no 11 Haste Hill Close	16/9/10
	DECISION : Parking within Haste Hill Close is at a premium. There is already extensive parking on the road. Loss of this amenity would impact on the whole estate. The Parish Council wish to see the application refused.	
MA/10/1381	43 Church Street, Boughton Monchelsea Raising existing garage roof to form dry storage area at first floor level, including the installation of 6 no. rooflights, clock tower and external spiral staircase	2/10/10
	DECISION : Boughton Monchelsea Parish Council wish to see the planning application refused because : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The proposal would be highly visible due to the open aspect of the site • The design of the proposal is out of character and would not blend in comfortably with surrounding properties 	
MA/10/1510	Land to the east of Beresfords Cottage, The Quarries, Boughton Monchelsea Installation of 2 no dormer windows to the rear roof slope to facilitate loft conversion	2/10/10
	DECISION : No objection / comment	
MA/10/1552	Autoplanet, Bircholt Road, Maidstone Change of use to allow MOT testing for car sales showroom and the general public within existing	2/10/10

	workshop	
	DECISION : No objection / comment	
MA/10/1543	Plot 1, Land west of Church Hill, Boughton Monchelsea Retrospective planning application for change of use of land for stationing of caravans for residential occupation with associated works DECISION : Boughton Monchelsea Parish Council wish to see the application refused	18/10/10
MA/10/1545	Plot 5, Land west of Church Hill, Boughton Monchelsea Retrospective planning application for change of use of land for stationing of caravans for residential occupation with associated works DECISION : Boughton Monchelsea Parish Council wish to see the application refused	18/10/10
MA/10/1544	Plot 2, Land west of Church Hill, Boughton Monchelsea Retrospective application for change of use of land for stationing of caravans for residential occupation with associated works DECISION : Boughton Monchelsea Parish Council wish to see the application refused	31/10/10
MA/10/1685	10 Foster Clarke Drive, Boughton Monchelsea Erection of a single storey rear extension DECISION : Not yet decided	--
MA/10/1343	Milliners, 24A Haste Hill Road, Boughton Monchelsea Erection of single storey front and side extensions (AMENDED / ADDITIONAL DETAILS ONLY) DECISION : Boughton Monchelsea Parish Council wish to see the application refused as the proposal constitutes too large a development on a back garden site.	18/10/10
MA/10/1675	7 Petlands, Boughton Monchelsea Single storey extension to south of existing property, including conversion of existing garage to residential use and insertion of rooflights DECISION : Not yet decided	--
MA/10/1701	Brishing Court Barn, Brishing Lane, Boughton Monchelsea Listed building consent for internal alterations to both buildings to facilitate additional toilet facilities DECISION : Not yet decided	--
MA/10/1704	Parkwood Reservoir, Parkwood Farm, Brishing Lane, Boughton Monchelsea Rebuilding of existing weir and associated earth works DECISION : Not yet decided	--
MA/10/1708	Orchard Dene, Heath Road, Boughton Monchelsea Erection of a conservatory to side elevation DECISION : Not yet decided	--
MA/10/1764	Greensand, Heath Road, Boughton Monchelsea Erection of a single storey rear extension DECISION : Not yet decided	--

The following applications have been APPROVED by MBC :

- MA/10/0511 Chart Court Farms Ltd, Boughton Mount Farm, Cliff Hill, Boughton Monchelsea
Change of use of farm buildings to uses within use class B1
- MA/10/1097 Scout Hut, Church Hill, Boughton Monchelsea
Change of use of land from scout hut to place of religious worship
- MA/10/1379 11 Haste Hill Close, Boughton Monchelsea
Variation of condition 1 of planning permission MK/3/64/467 to allow conversion of garage to living accommodation at no 11 Haste Hill Close
- MA/10/1390 31 The Quarries, Boughton Monchelsea
Erection of a single storey front extension
- MA/10/0896 Fairway, Church Hill, Boughton Monchelsea
An application to discharge conditions (3 and 4) relating to MA/09/1685
Condition 3 – landscaping details
Condition 4 – building materials
- MA/10/1293 Lookers Motor Group, Bircholt Road, Maidstone
An application to discharge conditions relating to MA/09/0361
- MA/10/1343 Milliners, 24A Haste Hill Road, Boughton Monchelsea
Erection of single storey front and side extensions
- MA/10/1381 43 Church Street, Boughton Monchelsea
Raising existing garage roof to form dry storage area at first floor level, including the installation of 6 no. rooflights, clock tower and external spiral staircase
- MA/10/1510 Land to the east of Beresfords Hill Cottage, Boughton Monchelsea
Installation of 2 no. dormer windows to the rear roof slope to facilitate loft conversion

The following applications had been REFUSED by MBC:

- MA/09/1950 The Piggeries, The Quarries, Boughton Monchelsea
Demolition of existing buildings and erection of a single detached dwelling

The following application(s) have been notified as WITHDRAWN

None

The following APPEALS have been notified:

None

The following APPEAL DECISION(S) have been notified :

- MA/08/1365 Chart Hill Paddock, Chart Hill Road, Chart Sutton
Change of use of land to residential with stationing of one mobile home and one touring caravan with associated hardstanding to accommodate gypsy family
APPEAL ALLOWED
- MA/09/1335 Wierton Hall Farm, East Hall Hill, Boughton Monchelsea
Demolition of existing barn and the erection of 1 no. dwelling and detached garage

APPEAL DISMISSED

The following APPEALS have been notified as WITHDRAWN:

None

- 12.1 Cllr Munford explained that after the Parish Council's meeting with the Borough Council's development manager on 8th September, an action group had been formed, comprising Cllr Munford, Cllr Evans, Cllr Smith and two local residents. The group had formulated a draft letter which could be sent by parishioners to the Borough Council in objection to the recent developments on Church Hill. In addition, it was reported that a petition had been started against the development, which currently stands at 658 signatures. Cllr Munford stated that the petition would be presented to the full meeting of Maidstone Borough Council on 15th December and that all Councillors and residents were invited to attend. Posters and flyers were currently being produced by Cllr Smith to publicise this meeting. It was agreed that the poster should be included in the next newsletter along with a report on the Parish Council's objections to the Church Hill developments.

CLLRS MUNFORD / EVANS / SMITH

13. Representatives' Reports:

- 13.1 KALC: Cllr Ellis explained that he had attended a recent meeting of the Maidstone branch of KALC and that the phasing out of the concurrent functions grant from the Borough Council was discussed. He explained that the plan was for the grant to be phased out completely over three years, cutting it by 50% in the first year and 25% in the second and third years. Cllr Ellis explained that a campaign had been started by the affected Parish Councils with the aim of reducing the level of these cuts. A petition had also been started and at least 100 signatures were to be obtained from each Parish Council. Clerk to e-mail petition sheet to all Councillors. At least 10 signatures to be obtained by each Councillor and sheets to be returned to the clerk by 26th November. Cllr Ellis stated that the combined Parishes petition would be presented to the Maidstone Borough Council meeting on 22nd December.

ALL CLLRS / CLERK

Cllr Munford explained that Cllr Ellis had helped to develop the concurrent functions grant during his time as a Borough Councillor and was now leading the group to retain it for the parishes. Cllr Munford stressed that if the concurrent functions grant is lost then the Parish Council will be forced to increase the precept in order to maintain the same level of service to the parish.

- 13.2 Allotments: Cllr Bracking advised that the allotment society was now up and running and that the next meeting would take place on 13th November. It was noted that the latest water bill had increased substantially from the bill for the same period last year. Cllr Bracking stated that the water tanks had now been sourced and hopefully this would reduce water usage once the tanks were filled and in use.

Cllr Bracking explained that none of the £2000 grant money awarded by the Parish Council had been spent to date.

The clerk advised that there were now several vacant allotments following the renewal of leases at the start of October.

- 13.3 Village Hall & Recreation Ground: Cllr Bray reported that new curtains had now been fitted to the windows and stage of the village hall. He also stated that the village hall committee were looking into the installation of hearing loops but would need to obtain further grant funding to take this forward.
- 13.4 Neighbourhood Watch: Nothing to report.
- 13.5 S&W Maidstone Traffic Management Partnership (TRAMP): Nothing to report in the absence of Cllr Williams.
- 13.6 Neighbourhood Forum: Nothing to report.
- 13.7 PACT: Cllr Witherington was not at the meeting but had provided a written report. Cllr Witherington had attended a recent PACT meeting and reported that the main issue discussed was the impending cuts to be imposed on the police force by central government. This issue would be discussed further once the full details were known.
- 13.8 Bus group: It was noted that the next meeting would be taking place on 15th November.

14. Items for Discussion:

- 14.1 Website : Cllr Witherington was not at the meeting but had provided a written report. Pictures have been sent to the website company for the front page graphics. Some minor changes have been made to the website following discussions held between the designer and Cllrs Witherington, Thompson and Date. Initial content for the website is the next goal, including updated Councillor lists, Parish Questionnaire, Parish Council meeting minutes etc. All this is needed so that a launch can be achieved. Thereafter the website can be updated in real time following training.

It was agreed that any content for the new website should be forwarded to Councillor Witherington as a matter of urgency.

ALL CLLRS / CLERK

- 14.2 Community plan : Cllr Thompson advised that the next meeting of the steering group would take place on 22nd November. She advised that the provisional launch date for the Community Plan would be April 2011. Cllr Date agreed to join the steering group.
- 14.3 Parkwood Farm reservoir scheme : Cllr Herrin advised that the planning application for the reservoir works has now been submitted to the Borough Council and that Black & Veatch have completed the conceptual design work and have asked the Environment Agency for their comments on this. An ecological survey has also been carried out. Cllr Herrin stated that discussions have been progressing with

potential contractors for the work. Tender documents will be ready by mid November with a view to works commencing on site in January 2011.

Cllr Munford thanked Cllr Herrin for all his hard work in progressing this scheme.

14.4 Local needs affordable housing: Cllr Munford reported that negotiations have been continuing between English Rural Housing Association and the owner of site 4. Concerns regarding highway safety had been brought up relating to the site entrance and further investigation of this would be necessary.

14.5 Broadband upgrade: Cllr Witherington was not present at the meeting but had provided a written report. Having investigated the suggestion of residents buying mobile broadband access using USB dongles from the mobile companies, it is clear that those areas with a poor mobile reception will not be able to use this service, e.g. The Quarries and Peens Lane. The company offering the service that will reach areas such as this would be a Fibre to the Home solution.

It was agreed that Cllr Witherington should be given delegated powers to decide on the best proposal and take things forward with the relevant supplier. Proposed by Cllr Munford, seconded by Cllr Ellis, agreed by all Councillors.

CLLR WITHERINGTON

14.6 Beresfords Hill footpath : The clerk advised that she had contacted Mr Gill's solicitor, suggesting 5th November as a date for Cllrs Evans and Williams to meet with Mr Gill. No response had been received to this. Clerk to chase. **CLERK**

14.7 Exempt item.

14.8 Concurrent Funding : Covered in item 13.1 above

14.9 The Community Bill : Cllr Ellis spoke regarding the Community Bill and it was agreed that a group of Councillors was required to investigate and take this forward. Cllrs Munford, Ellis, Evans, Smith, Clarke, Thompson and Date volunteered for this.

CLLRS MUNFORD, ELLIS, EVANS, SMITH, CLARKE, THOMPSON, DATE

14.10 Carols on The Green : Cllr Ellis to source Christmas tree. Tree to be erected by Councillors on Saturday 11th December at 10am. Cllr Bray to sort out PA system (borrowed from the village hall) for Carols on The Green. Clerk to invite scouts, brownies and vicar from St Peters church to attend. Clerk to purchase mince pies, sausage rolls and mulled wine for the event using money donated by Councillors. Cllr Ellis to make arrangements with Mrs Harrison who kindly makes the soup each year. Clerk to arrange for loan of scout's gas burner for heating of soup and mulled wine. **CLERK / ALL CLLRS**

14.11 Postal service : Cllr Evans explained that several residents had complained to her recently regarding the lateness of postal deliveries in the parish. It had also been reported by local Royal Mail staff that in the New Year, the post would be delivered over an hour later than it currently is. It was agreed that the clerk should write to

Royal Mail in Maidstone regarding this, asking for earlier deliveries. Proposed by Cllr Munford, seconded by Cllr Thompson, agreed by all Councillors. **CLERK**

15. Deferred items schedule :

15.1 The contents of the deferred items schedule were noted.

16. Any Other Business :

16.1 Cllr Munford asked that one of the Councillors attend the remembrance day service at St Peters Church on Sunday 14th November and lay the wreath. Cllr Smith agreed to attend. **CLLR SMITH**

16.2 Cllr Thompson asked that items for the next newsletter be submitted to her by 5th November. It was agreed that the new north ward Neighbourhood Watch group should also be asked to provide an article. **ALL COUNCILLORS**

16.3 Cllr Bracking stated that he had spoken to several residents recently who had expressed concern at the speed of traffic through Marlpit. Cllr Fitzgerald stated that safety measures had been taken in the past including hedges being cut back to aid visibility and an advisory speed limit of 25mph. Cllr Date suggested that the Police could be asked to identify a location in Marlpit for use as a Speedwatch site. It was agreed to take this forward. Cllr Burton explained that Langley Parish Council are currently trialling some equipment which collects data on traffic speeds. **CLLR DATE**

16.4 Cllr Bray stated that there would be a pantomime on in the village hall before Christmas.

17. Date of Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be held on 11th January 2011 in the committee room of the village hall. There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 10.10pm.

MINUTE 15 (Parish Council meeting 2 November 2010)

SCHEDULE OF DEFERRED ITEMS CARRIED FORWARD FROM PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS:

BMPC DATE :	ITEM:	ACTION:	POSITION AS OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 2 November 2010
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). Clerk to write to MBC requesting that this is added to the enforcement action report. (7/7/09). E-mail sent to MBC (Denise Roy) on 22/8 requesting that this case is added to the report and requesting information on its status (1/9/09)
13.5.03	Wierton Place <u>IN ABEYANCE</u>	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). E-mail sent to MBC on 22/8 requesting that this case is added to the enforcement action report and requesting information on its status (1/9/09). Enforcement update received from MBC 17/12. Case marked as 'in abeyance' (29/12/09)
4.6.98	Ld at Boughton Court	Transfer from MBC to BMAT / adoption of Infrastructure	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. Wimpey's being chased for a response. Change in personnel. Southern Water now looking favourable on adoption of foul sewer as laid (15.1.08). Cllr Fuller reported that he had spoken to Paul Bending and that a meeting would be taking place (6.5.08). Sewers now adopted and commuted sum of £7K deposited with Southern Water (4.11.08). E-mail received from MBC on 25/8 stating that they have had a meeting with Taylor Wimpey with a view to agreeing final details prior to the adoption (1/9/09). Clerk to contact MBC regarding transfer of land adj Pested Bars Road to BMAT (6.7.10). Letter sent to MBC from BMAT 14/7/10 asking that priority be given to transferring the land over to the Amenity Trust. Response received 19/7/10 advising that MBC are still waiting for the land to be transferred from Taylor Wimpey although they hope this will be complete by the end of the year. MBC further advise that they are now fully aware of the decision to transfer the land on a 999 year lease to the Amenity Trust (7.9.10). Wrote to MBC requesting latest progress (27/10/10)
11.5.04	Footway;	East side: ('Beresfords')	Meeting held with Mr Gill 24 November 2004. Kent Highways Manager in attendance.

	Beresfords Hill	land).	<p>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). Planner's 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. Referred to KCC for comments before mtg arranged with landowner & KCC. Confirmed further request from KCC that BMPC will defray all costs – agreed subject to KCC advising its costs. Future hedge cutting arrangements to be discussed with contractor (4.9.07). A meeting took place in February 08. Mr Gill has requested further details (4.3.08). Still with Mr Gill's solicitors (2.9.08). Cllr Fuller to submit planning application (6.1.09). Planning application submitted (9.3.09). Planning consent now obtained. Cllr Fuller to continue negotiations with Mr Gill and obtain quotes for construction works (5.5.09). Cllr Fuller in final negotiations with Mr Gill (7/7/09). Cllr Fuller submitted amended drawings to MBC based on Mr Gill's requirements. E-mail sent to Mr Gill's solicitors requesting that formal agreement be drafted based on the assumption that MBC will approve amendments (11/9/09). Cllr Fuller met with Mr Gill and his solicitor wc 7/9. Wrote to Mr Gill's solicitor following this meeting requesting that a formal agreement be drafted. Amended drawings submitted to MBC 25/9. Tenders invited for footpath construction work 25/9 (3.11.09). Cllr Fuller proceeding with negotiations with preferred contractor (29/12/09). Letter dated 6/1 sent to MBC by Cllr Fuller ref delay in approval of minor amendments to drawings. Letter dated 15/1/10 received from MBC stating that the proposed amendments are not minor and that a full planning application would need to be made. Cllr Fuller e-mailed Mr Gill's solicitor on 21/1/10 asking for agreement such that the works can commence without a further planning application being made. Cllr Fuller e-mailed Mr Gill's solicitor on 16/4/10 advising that if agreement to the approved scheme is not forthcoming in the</p>
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			near future then the Parish Council will resort to asking KCC to use their powers to get the path built (4/5/10). Cllr Evans to pursue with KCC with a view to a Compulsory Purchase Order being obtained (6/7/10). Further to a request from Mr Gill's solicitor for suitable meeting dates, suggested meeting with Mr Gill on Friday 5 th November. Awaiting response from solicitor. Cllr Evans and Cllr Williams will attend the meeting.
16.1.07	Furfield Quarry	Methane monitoring	Update reports obtained & passed to Cllr Fuller / meeting of Custodian Trustees. Need to write to planning authority asking whether methane is being monitored (4.3.08, 6.5.08, 15.7.08). Up to date report received. Ensure reports requested annually (2.9.08). Clerk to request latest report (29/12/09, 2/3/10)
6.11.07	Quarry Wood footpath (BMAT)	Cutting footpath through Wood	Explorer scouts to cut path under supervision of their leader Andy Wright (Cllr Bray) (4.9.07). No explorer scouts locally anymore. Cllr Bray will pursue this with Andy Wright <u>once</u> more, if not, will have to get a quote for this work (4.3.08, 6.5.08). Clerk to pursue with KITS (2.9.08). Clerk to pursue with KITS (6.1.09). Cllr Bray to pursue with KITS (9.3.09, 5.5.09). Scouts have now commenced this work. Cllr Bray to check on progress (1/9/09). Cllr Munford to speak to Tony Boden regarding venture scouts resuming this work (2/3/10). Cllr Munford contacted Scouts with a view to agreeing a date for further work to the footpath (6/7/10). Work carried out by Scouts summer 2010 (7.9.10)
6.1.09	Footpath link from Furfield Park to Pested Bars	Wimpey to provide	Letter received from Wimpey 4.12.08 agreeing to construct footpath link once they have obtained approval from Kent Highways (6.1.09)