

MANAGERS OF STELLING MINNIS COMMON

MINUTES OF MEETING 11th JANUARY 2012 AT STELLING MINNIS VILLAGE HALL

Present – K Smyth, I Champion, R Griffin, M Hamilton, J Haffenden, A Barchi, S Chantler,
A Day

In attendance – C Gooch

1. Apologies – J Gifford, G Baldwin
2. Minutes of Meeting 12th October 2012 were agreed and signed by the chairman.
3. Matters Arising:
 - a) Intercom outside The Cottage – Planning permission never granted.
CG still ongoing and says prime example of creeping urbanisation. Trustees deciding whether to send a solicitor's letter following no reply to previous correspondence.
 - b) Information leaflets – IC to do before the spring
 - c) KCC Overhanging branches on Bossingham Road – no reply from bus company. Subject to be dropped.
 - d) CG met with Shepway District Council and explained to them that the trustees had not been informed of previous planning applications. SDC were given a plan and agreed that all planning applications would henceforth be rejected unless a red line showing access to the property across the Minnis was evident. A compromise was agreed upon re access surface of "driveways". A ban on kerbing was accepted.
CG also agreed to check with his secretary re production/delivery of more copies of Residents Guide.
4. Correspondence – Various items of correspondence was read by the Secretary including an email from Pam Carr on behalf of various residents re increase of bracken in fenced areas. IC agreed to write an explanation in his next article in the Parish Magazine. Following a discussion about bracken, the committee were informed that Dan Tuson had stated that methods introduced were acceptable and should continue.
5. Queens Diamond Jubilee Celebrations:

At a previous "Village Jubilee Meeting" it was suggested that various societies should have either floats or static displays on the Cricket Pitch as well as picnics. The committee decided that as IC had agreed to lend a tractor and trailer, a float would be appropriate. It was also decided that the Chairman should write on behalf of the Managers to William Trower and invite him and his family to join us in our celebrations.

6. Reports:

- a) Secretary – nothing to report
 - b) Grazing – sheep will be grazed in January in the fenced area to the east of Bossingham Road. The cattle would be returning in the spring.
 - c) Ponds/School Liaison – the ponds at Ivy House and Split Lane had been dredged by R Green. It was suggested that some trees could be planted by the school children on the Minnis to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee and that if William Trower attended the Jubilee Celebrations it would be an appropriate time to inaugurate them. KS to approach Stephen Rayner.
 - d) Mowing – to be attended to as per last year.
 - e) Trees/Scrub/Bird Boxes/Owl Boxes/Surveys – nothing to report
7. Press Release: IC to include explanation re movement of cattle and therefore increase in bracken.
8. A.O.B.: Re the track from Jacaranda to Ducks Hill, which is being increasingly used by through traffic and therefore getting in a bad and muddy state – it was decided to move and resurrect the gate which would be locked and a key given to Mr Hursey.
9. Date and time of next meeting – 18th April 2012 at 7.30pm, Stelling Minnis Village Hall

STELLING MINNIS CHARITABLE TRUST
MINUTES OF MEETING 12th OCTOBER 2011
AT STELLING MINNIS VILLAGE HALL

Present – I Champion, R Griffin, J Gifford, A Barchi, G Baldwin

In attendance – C Gooch, M Hamilton, K Smyth, A Day

1. Apologies – J Haffenden
2. Minutes of Meeting 13th July 2011 were agreed.
3. Treasurers Report:

Nat West Current Account	£ 333.28
Nat West Business Account	£3666.00
Yorkshire Building Soc.	£10464.14

The issue of “Higher Level Stewardship” it was agreed to leave this until the next meeting.

4. Trustees approval of expenditure:

£120 (maximum) for hire of mini digger
£ 50 half share of subscription to BTCV
£ 28.80 reimburse IC for wedge-belts x 2
£ 50 (maximum) for fence battery

5. Any other business:

It was agreed to share the cost of the subscription to BTCV with FOSM.
It was agreed that AD go ahead with arranging internet banking with NatWest

6. Date and time of next meeting -11th January 2012 at 7.30pm, Stelling Minnis Village Hall