

ASHBURNHAM AND PENHURST

PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting held on Tuesday

8th January 2002

at

Ashburnham Village Hall

1. Apologies Cllr R. White, Cllr N. Harman, Cllr K. Field.

(Chairman then welcomed the Chairman of the Council, the Leader of Rother District Council and the Chief Executive to this meeting.)

2. Minutes Approved and signed

3. Matters Arising

1. Cricket Pavilion.

It was put to the vote as to which contractor the council wanted to build the pavilion, the choice was English Heritage, who got one vote, and Keeley Brothers who got four votes. The Chairman is to notify them of the council's decision

A quote has been received from Derek Southhouse of £9122, for groundwork, drains, car park etc., this was also accepted.

2. Finance

£27.000 is to be released from the millennium committee, to the Parish Council, towards the cost of the pavilion. This is to be paid into the high interest account.

2. Grant

£25.000 has been applied for from the Countryside Agency.

3. Loan

Loan sanction has been applied for from SALC for £10.000, it is planned that this would be paid back over a period of ten years.

4 **Notice Board**

The Clerk is to ring Jonathan Oldroyd, to point out that if the notice board has not been delivered by the end of the month, the Parish Council will withdraw the contract.

5 **Ponts Green Post Box.**

No news of a replacement, only an offer to move one of the existing box's, this was felt not to be favorable, Cllr W. Miers, is to see what she can do.

6 **Jubilee Celebrations**

Mrs. S. Cummings has the labels for the trees in hand. A total of sixty trees are needed.

7 **Correspondence**

All brought to the attention of the Council.

8 **Planning**

New-none
Old-Red Pale Farmhouse, Bodle Street.
Conservatory has been dismissed.

Old Shop
Permission for mobile home, to be sought by occupants.

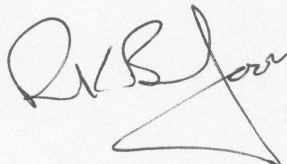
9 **Finance**

Budget has been prepared to be able to apply for the loan
Audit at the end of the month

10 **AOB**

Richard White is to set up a committee for the Jubilee Celebrations

Signed



Date 12 February 2002

ASHBURNHAM AND PENHURST

PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES

OF MEETING HELD ON

TUESDAY 12.2.02

At 7.30pm in the Village Hall

1. Apologies Cllr.R. White,
Cllr C. Baker
Cllr A. Wooding-Jones
Cllr K. Field

2. Minutes

Amended and approved

3. Matters Arising

A).Planning New

RR 2001/2920

Glydes

Approval subject to modified roofline

RR2002/0122,3

Old Sprays Barn

View of the Parish Council remains as of letter dated 18th January, 2002.

Mobile Home at Pons Green Bungalow.

The Planning officer has been advised.

The Old Post Office.

The occupants are aware that temporary permission for their mobile home is required.

B.)Planning Old

Corner House

Field gate has to be removed, and replaced with similar to what was there before. The Environmental Department will check future work on the ponds as and when this work is in progress.

The banks left exposed by the building work, are of some concern, it will be required that they are planted in such a way as to ensure no more erosion of the remaining bank takes place, and the foundation works are concealed with greenery

The Shooting Lodge, Rocks Farm.

This is tied to the house and cannot be sold separately.

Green Pastures

Work in progress at the moment, on making safe the roof, is in keeping with a previous planning application.

Cricket pavilion.

A new building plan is to be presented to the Council for approval, by Keeley Bros. building regulations have also been applied for from their Architectural advisor.

4. Finance

The grant from the Countryside Agency has been turned down, so this now creates a shortfall, the Chairman is to see if the loan could be increased from £10,000 to £20,000, it was suggested that fund raising was one way to cover the repayment and an increase in precept would also contribute.

5. Notice Board

We are now in possession of the notice board, this now has to be erected in the grounds of the Chapel.

6. Post Box

No new news

7. Jubilee Celebrations

The marquee is booked.

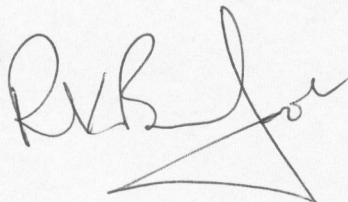
The tree planting will take place on the cricket field on Saturday 16th February, 10am-1pm, 2002. After consultation with Strutt and Parker it was agreed to plant the trees 3 meters away from the hedge, and about 5 meters apart, alternating large with not so large, so as to allow plenty of room for growth.

Richard White is to be invited to our next meeting, so he can brief us as to the progress. the Jubilee Celebrations are making.

8. AOB

None

Signed



Date

5/3/02

ASHBURNHAM AND PENHURST
PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD

ON TUESDAY 5TH MARCH 2002

IN ASHBURNHAM VILLAGE HALL

1 Apologies Cllr W. Miers, Cllr C. Field, Cllr F. Akehurst, Cllr R. White and Mr Richard White.

2 Minutes Read approved and signed.

3 Matters Arising

Corner House

A careful watch is to be kept to ensure the planting of greenery on the bank, where building excavations have taken place.

The plans are to be looked at again, because concerns have been voiced over the unapproved use of windows in the garage/store.

Notice Board

The chairman reported that the notice board has gone away to be painted black, and to have Parish Notices written across the top.

Cricket Pavilion

Revised plans have now been received, and have to be re-submitted for approval and planning permission from RDC. The plans have also been submitted to the Ashburnham Estate for approval.

The financial aspect is unchanged pending a revised estimate due to changes required for Building Regulations approval.

Jubilee Celebrations

The clerk gave a report of the Jubilee Committee meeting to the Council and the minutes of that meeting were circulated. The Chairman stressed that the Jubilee committee was a sub-committee of the Parish Council and as such all finances would be transacted through the Parish Council, consequently the Parish Council would subsidize any events and any profits would revert to the Parish Council.

4 Planning

RR/2002/0177

Burnt Barns

Garage with store over (Retrospective)

The Parish Council is concerned that another large building (more than half the size of the house) is necessary on this site. Together with the swimming pool (retrospective application) and another "barn" which is also the subject of a retrospective application, unapproved development on this residential site appears to have got out of hand.

The Parish Council supports a refusal.

RR/2002/0178

Burnt Barns

Barn for storage (Retrospective)

Together with our comments of 0177 above, the Parish Council feel that a barn for storage is totally unacceptable on this overdeveloped residential site. The site is not agricultural and from the appearance of the "barn" the likely use is industrial. The Parish Council supports a refusal

RR/2002/0340

RR/2002/0347

Sprays Oast Farm

2 Bay garage and replacement of perimeter fence

The Parish Council supports an approval of the replacement of the fence.

With regard to the two bay garage, the Parish Council feel this proposed development would be out of proportion and constitute an incongruous feature out of harmony with the existing building, The Council feels that garaging facilities would be better provided for with a conversion of the existing building and thus would support a refusal.

The Chairman made no comment on this application.

5 Finance

In total the Parish Council has in its funds £34.617.00, this is made up by the following £29.538.00 High interest acct.

£ 5.000.00 Business bond

£ 79.00 Current acct.

An uplift of Fidelity Insurance has been applied for consequent on the acquisition of the Millenium Fund by the Parish Council.

6 Correspondence

A letter has been received for Strutt and Parker, to the effect that plans have been submitted to RDC, re work to be undertaken on the Ashburnham Estate Timber Yard, James Bridgeland has offered to attend a Parish Council meeting to outline the Estate's intentions for this project.

Strutt and Parker have given their approval for the tree planting to mark the occasion of the Queens Golden Jubilee, which has taken place on the sports field.

7 AOB

Trees, there were 15plus various species left over from the above mentioned tree planting it is yet to be decided where these should be planted, 6 Mountain Ash were left these are to be planted in a small group on the sports field.

A get well card is to be sent to Cllr Roy White from the Parish Council.

Signed



Date

19/3/02

Ashburnham and Penhurst Parish Council

Minutes of Meeting Held on Tuesday 19th March, 2002

At Ashburnham Village Hall

1. **Apologies** Cllr Roy White, Cllr Andrew Wooding Jones, Cllr Fred Akehurst, Cllr Wendy Miers.

2. **Minutes** of last meeting Read and Signed.

3. **Matters Arising.**

Cricket Pavilion, this is now in progress, the footings have been dug, and all is set for all the groundwork to be done. It was proposed to accept the revised quote submitted by the Keeley brothers, by the Vice Chairman Cllr Colin Baker, seconded by Cllr Jane Andrew, and carried unanimously.

Roof for the above, Simon Hollett has quoted a sum of £3.000 for materials alone, he is to ask for a quote for the labour. The Keeley brothers have quoted the sum of £6.000; this is an all-inclusive quote. (Labour and Materials) An extra £1.500 has been added to the Keeley quote to allow for the extra windows and doors, this now takes the total from £26.000 to £27.500. The groundwork is to cost an estimated £9122, bringing the total to £34.000, leaving a £2,000 shortfall. The Chairman is to chase the loan of £20.000 from SALC. Which is needed to complete the interior. It was also noted that the Trustees of the Ashburnham Estate approved of the revised plans.

4. **Correspondence**

5. **Planning**

OLD

Corner House

It was brought to the attention of the Paris Council that the Chairman has been in touch with RDC, re the amendments that seem to have taken place on this site, that are not in accordance with the plans approved by the Parish Council. (i.e. the windows in the garage/store)

Rocks Farm

Enforcement notice, the Chairman is to seek the advice of the planning officer

Planning New

Ammerbrook, The Forge, Ashburnham

RR/2002/0456

Construction of 2 Bay Cart Lodge with log store

The Chairman declined to comment on this planning application.

The Parish Council support approval of this application but feel that the building would be more attractive if the left hand side were to match the right hand side, to present a more balanced appearance.

Old Post Office

RR/2002/0475/6

Erection of Conservatory, Window alterations, Sewerage and Residential Caravan

Conservatory

The parish Council support REFUSAL of permission for a conservatory as this would be detrimental to the character and appearance of this listed building. The erection of this conservatory would also remove part of the catslide reef together with the demolition of a chimney stack both of which are intergral parts of this listed building.

Roof lights/windows

The Council support the replacement of the felt roof on the dormer window on the eastern elevation but feel the new windows on the northern elevation should match the existing dormer window on that elevation.

The Council also notes that no floor plan has been submitted for the accommodation to which these windows relate.

Residential Caravan

The Parish Council note that this caravan was installed on or about 8th November 2001. We would only support **temporary approval** for the caravan whilst work is carried out on the main house and would suggest a period of **one year** dated from the date of installation.

Sewerage Plant

The Council support the installation of a new sewerage plant but feel that the discharge point situated on the side of the public highway is not acceptable

6 Finance

The Parish Council currently has in its funds the sum of £34,542

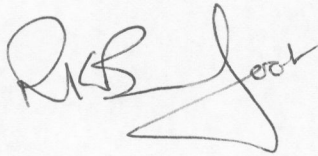
7 Ethical Code of Conduct

The Council accepted the code as it stands, all councillors were asked to fill in the Appropriate forms,

8 AOB

The Clerk is to approach Nigel White to ask him a break down of duties on the sports field, and to supply the Council with a new list of duties now to be undertaken in light of the much larger area.

Signed

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Nigel White', with a large, sweeping flourish at the end.

Date

9 April 2002.

ASHBURNHAM AND PENHURST
PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY
9th APRIL 2002
IN ASHBURNHAM VILLAGE HALL

1, APOLOGIES Cllr F. Akehurst, Cllr R. White, Cllr K. Field.

Present. Cllr . R. Burfoot (chairman), Cllr J. Andrew, Cllr N. Harman,
Cllr A. Wooding-Jones, Cllr C. Baker.

By invitation of the Parish Council, Mr. James Bridgeland (Strutt and Parker)

2. MINUTES of the meeting on 19th March signed and dated

3. MATTERS ARISING

Jubilee Celebrations

Mrs Bickersteth or a member of her family has kindly agreed to present the jubilee mugs on behalf of the Parish Council. The Parish Council is to loan the jubilee committee the sum of £2.000 to include the cost of the marquee.

Pavilion The building work has now commenced, permission for revised plans has been granted, and building regs., has been approved, In the quote the Keeleys did not quote for ply which has to be incorporated for structural reasons, this is now to be charged to us at cost.

Corner House The Parish Council is now in receipt of confirmation from R.D.C, that an amended plan was accepted as a minor amendment on 18th December, 2001 indicating as additional window in both the north and west elevations.

Rocks Farm The enforcement notice was served to ensure that the shooting lodge could not be used as a separate dwelling by default.

Nigel White The clerk has asked him for a list of duties carried out in the past and one for the future, so that the Parish Council could make a comparison, and adjust his fees accordingly, but as yet we have received nothing from him..

4. CORRESPONDENCE

The saga of the drains at Akehurst Field is still ongoing, now awaiting the results of tests carried out by the Environment Agency.

5. PLANNING

Old

Caravan-Ponts Green Cottage, Ashburnham

R.D.C are currently investigating if there has been a breach of planning control.

NEW

RR/2002/0438

Ashburnham Estate Timber Yard

Change of use of Forestry Building and replacement Tractor Shed.

The Parish Council support an approval of this application but wish to make the following comments.

Buildings 4.5.6(.N.elev)

1. The large glazed panel at the entrance would be more in keeping with the other windows in these buildings if it were reduced to a standard window similar to the windows on the East elevation.

2. The conservation roof lights on the North elevation would be better situated on the South elevation and could be slightly larger to compensate for loss of glazed area in reducing the glazed panel on the North elevation.

New Tractor Shed.

The cladding of this building should be in wood to match the other buildings and the roof should be clay tiled.

RR/2002/0441

Penhurst Field

To alter and extend private house.

The Parish Council would have preferred to have seen a balanced extension of the existing house and the atrium windows (N.elev) and conservatory windows to be more in keeping with the cottage type windows in the rest of the house.

The chairman made no comment on this application.

RR/2002/0653

Burnt Barns Farm Bungalow, Frickley Hollow.

Construction of farm building

The Parish Council is most concerned with the expansion of the Burnt Barns Farm site.

We understand that this applicant successfully applied for change of use of redundant farm buildings to industrial use in 1994(RR/1994/0815), then successfully applied for a new agricultural building in 2000 (RR/2000/1257). How many buildings can be allowed on this site under the disguise of an agricultural requirement when the original buildings have been sold off for other uses?

The Parish Council note that the agricultural building which appears to be at least 600 square meters is NOT shown on the plans accompanying this application. We enclose a plan to show its location.

Bearing in mind the other recent retrospective applications on this site

(RR/2002/0177) and(RR/2002/0178) the Parish Council are totally against any further development on this site which is rapidly turning into a small industrial estate.

6.FINANCE

Audit qualified approval, some further attention required, we need to have a higher fidelity guarantee insurance because of the increase in money held, to be increased to £50.000.

Insurance requirements require the audit to be done every year.

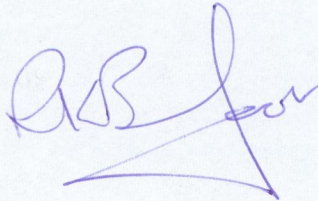
The loan of £20.000 has now been approved, it was decided to opt for a fixed rate of interest at 5 1/2% to be paid back over 10 years, this had 100% agreement from the council.

The current finance stands at £25.065 after £9.166 has been paid to the Keeleys as part payment for the pavilion, and £329.59 to Rother for building regs approval. The clerk is to obtain the grant of £250 for the mugs and trees from R.D.C.

A.O.B

Ethical Framework Forms now to be collected and sent off.

Signed



Date

30/4/02

A.G.M.
AHBURNHAM AND PENHURST PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD IN ASHBURNHAM VILLAGE HALL
TUESDAY 30TH APRIL 2002

PRESENT

Cllr R. Burfoot (Chairman)) Prop. Cllr J. Andrew, seconded Cllr. F. Akehurst
Cllr A. Wooding-Jones (Vice Chairman) Prop. Cllr R. Burfoot, seconded Cllr, J.
Andrew.

Cllr C. Baker

Cllr N. Harman

Cllr. F. Akehurst

Cllr J. Andrew

Cllr W. Miers

Red
Cllr R. White.

Three members of the public attended.

1. APOLOGIES-none
2. MINUTES of last meeting approved and signed
3. MATTERS ARISING

Nigel White-terms and conditions of future ground keeping on and around the sports field to be verified, once the pavilion has been completed.

Roger Burfoot to mow the newly acquired area on the sports field, in an attempt to keep costs down.

A newly created position of Key Holder and caretaker is to be decided at the next meeting.

Drains at Akehurst Field, still ongoing the Environment Agency is now involved as the waste is emptying into a stream.

Pavilion now almost complete, inside bays to be erected, toilets to be installed, the building interior is to be lined with MDF, a temporary kitchen is to be fitted and changing rooms to be installed.

Simon Hollett is to provide materials; this can be billed to the PC to enable the VAT to be claimed back.

Some thought must be given as to what still needs to be done, when to pavilion is complete, for example floor covering.

Code of Conduct-Paper work to be in by Friday 17th May 2002

4. CORRESPONDENCE-none

5. PLANNING-NEW-none

OLD- PONTS GREEN BUNGALOW CARAVAN

Approved as extended living accommodation for a family member.

PAVILION All planning conditions have now been satisfied.

BARN AT PENHURST CHURCH - A letter has been written to the agents Charles Clarke concerning it almost becoming full time living accommodation

6. FINANCE

The loan of £20.000 is to paid into the Parish Councils account as at 1.5.02

A global figure of £50.000 for pavilion, there is an estimated cost of £10.000-£12.000 to fit it out.

An internal audit is now required, but not by a member of the Parish Council, the Chairman is to approach a suitable candidate after a phone call to Christine Swan (SALC), to verify the suitability of likely candidates.

7 .A.O.B.

Wendy Miers informed toe Council the Old Post Office has submitted, amended plans. (The Parish Council asked her to relay to the correct bodies that the Parish Council would like to be notified of any amended plans in the future) The amended plans are as follows: -

10' conservatory

Roof lights half the original dormer size

Eaves line to be lowered to meet existing window in roof, now to match other dormer

Septic tank

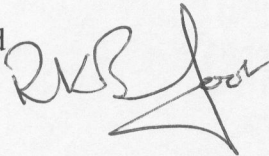
Wendy Miers to relay the thoughts of the council, that is, to underline what was said before.

Jubilee Celebrations

Cllr R. White has kindly agreed to officially open the pavilion at the start of the Jubilee day celebrations.

Next Meeting Now 30 May 2002

Signed



Date. 30/5/02

ASHBURNHAM AND PENHURST PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 30th MAY, 2002
IN ASHBURNHAM VILLAGE HALL

PRESENT

Cllr R. Burfoot(Chairman), Cllr F. Akehurst, Cllr J. Andrew, Cllr A. Wooding- Jones.
Cllr. N. Harman.

Two members of the public attended the meeting.

1.APOLOGIES

Cllr R. White, Cllr W. Miers, Cllr K. Field.

2MINUTES of last meeting with the addition of Councilor White approved and signed

3. MATTERS ARISING

Pavilion

The structure is now almost complete, jobs still outstanding are the roof over the porch to be completed on the inside, rainwater goods still to be installed, the final weatherboard still to be finished, the final balance is to be withheld till all these jobs are completed.

The account to date is; -

£9,000 estimated for electricity (Hailsham Roadway to install conduit)

£18,332 already paid to the Keeley brothers

£8,700 approximately still outstanding to the Keeley brothers

£7230 to Hailsham Roadway with a further bill of £3027 outstanding

£750 Weather board and plywood

£1,000 plumber

£2,000 carpenter

£500 alterations to the roadside gate

A few short posts are to be erected across the entrance to the cricket pitch to stop people driving round the field.

£51,000 total

£54,000 budget

This sum is made up of the Millennium contribution of £27,000

£20,000 loan, £4,000 FSA Grant, £3,000 RDC Grant

There are still a few cosmetic jobs that must be done this year, they are as follows

Weatherboarding needs to be treated.

Floor needs to be painted with something similar to garage floor paint.

Bookings - Bernard Baker has agreed to do this task 01424 421067

Charges AM/PM use £10 for residents of the parish £20 non-residents, a whole days hire would be double.. Just hire of the playing field £8. £25 for a visiting cricket team. The fee will be doubled when electricity is installed. At present the Ashburnham cricket Club pay an annual fee of £130 however this will have to be increased next season.

The wicket is to be fenced off.

Keith Finch will calculate the likely power consumption assuming that electric heating will be installed at a later stage.

Key holders at present are Derek Southouse, Robert Parsons, who the PC, were happy to carry on, the other two keys are at present with Richard Keeley, and Brian Saunders the carpenter, they will hand them back when their work is complete, it was proposed that Cllr R. Burfoot, and Linda Keeley would then hold these keys.

Caretaker - an advert is to be placed in the Parish magazine, salary negotiable, in the region of £300 per year was suggested, applicants to apply to the chairman.

Fire extinguisher - the clerk is to contact the fire brigade for their advice.

Code of Conduct

All declarations and notices completed.

Jubilee

The proceeds of the quiz evening are to be sought.

Mug orders are to be taken on the day and ordered, £4 per mug.

4. Correspondence-none

5. Planning-New

RR/2002/1083 Burnt Barns

The parish council would not support this application, due to their concern for the expansion of this site, and the feeling that a previous barn erected would house 20.000 hay bales, so eliminating the need for another barn.

RR/2002/1141 Brays Hill Barn

The Parish Council support a refusal, because this building does not make a contribution to the rural scene and therefore does not comply with RDC Draft policy T5. The building lies within an existing area of scattered development, therefore this proposal contravenes the County Structure Plan and Rother's Housing Strategy. Ashburnham does not fall within the areas outlined in RDC draft policy CBE 2, therefore does not qualify for the development of existing buildings for tourism accommodation under RDC Draft Policy T3. Cllr J. Andrew abstained.

RR/2002.1198 Redpale Farm

The parish Council were in agreement that the construction of the horse exerciser was too obtrusive in this prominent roadside position and permission should be refused

RR/2002/1197 1 New Building Cottage

There is no current requirement for agricultural dwellings within the Parish, the Council supports approval.

Planning-old

Sprays Oast Barn - Refusal of planning permission for decking and enforcement order

Sprays Oast Farm - permission for garage granted

6. Finance Internal Audit

This has been completed by Mr. J. Cumming, Clerk to write and thank him.

Bank Accounts-Current Situation

Bond soon to mature £5000 to be added to current account, where £26.887 is already earmarked, there is a total of £20145 in the high interest account, and £2000 is budgeted for the jubilee celebrations.

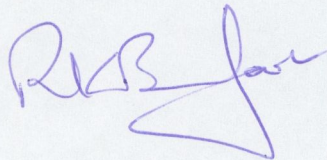
The parish council will have to look next year to an increase in the precept to service the loan

7 A.O.B.

The clerk is to follow up an enquiry from Claverham about holding adult education classes in the village hall.

An eye is to be kept on the paintwork of the new notice board at the Chapel, as it already seems to be showing some sign of wear.

Signed



Date

21/7/02

ASHBURNHAM AND PENHURST
PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON
TUESDAY 2nd JULY
AT ASHBURNHAM VILLAGE HALL

2002

Members present, Cllr R Burfoot, (Chairman), Cllr R. White, Cllr A. Wooding-Jones, Cllr N. Harman. Cllr K. Field.

1. Apologies Cllr J. Andrew.

2. Minutes of last meeting approved and signed

3. Matters Arising.

The Pavilion has now been fitted out with a fire extinguisher at a cost of £64 and a fire blanket at a cost of £18.

Derek Southouse is to be consulted about the application of wood preservative for the outside of the pavilion It has been suggested that we use "Sadolin" which is a middle of the range wood treatment in a shade light to med. brown. When this has been decided it will have to be submitted to the planning authorities for approval.

Provision has been made for the temporary use of a generator to connect to the pavilion electrical installation.

There is an estimated total of £5,000 which now can be put towards the pavilion, £2,000 of that sum is from the Jubilee Celebration which was underwritten by the Council, which in the event was not required.

Mr Brian Saunders the carpenter has almost finished his work on the pavilion.

The Keeley Brothers have offered to hang gates at no extra cost, it is hoped to use the existing one and buy a new one.

The Countryside Agency has been approached again for a grant. This time it has been emphasized (with the back up of photos of the Jubilee celebrations) that the pavilion and surrounding area is multi-functional. We are waiting for a reply.

Pavilion bookings at the moment are made through Bernard Baker, but at the end of the cricket season it is proposed to make the bookings through the parish clerk.

Rates were discussed, with particular attention to the Stoolball club. Laurence Keeley was at the meeting, and was invited to speak. It was decided that the agreed fee of £8 was too much for this club, and it was agreed that a fee of £5 per session be paid by the Stoolball club for the use of the ground and pavilion.

It was brought to the attention of the Parish Council that the Stoolball club has in the past paid £40 per year to the Cricket Club. The Stoolball club were asked to now pay all fees directly to the Parish Council.

Nigel White is to be approached for the name and address of the Hailsham Young Farmers tug of war coach, so that they can be billed for the use of the field.

An advert is to be placed in the forthcoming issue of the Parish Magazine for a caretaker for the pavilion.

The Jubilee Celebrations almost broke even at a total cost of nearly £3,300, the marquee and band costing the most.

4. Correspondence

A bill has been received from Keith Finch for electrical services to the pavilion, at a cost of £120. This was for work carried out in the pavilion for the Jubilee, which can now be left in situ for when mains electricity is finally installed.

A letter has been received from the Environment Agency, re Akehurst Field ongoing sewerage problem, they are not happy with the outfall, and are considering enforcement action against Hyde Housing.

5 Planning-

Old

RR/002/441 Penhurst Field, alter & extend-Granted

RR/2002/456 Ammerbrook, Cartshed-Granted

New

RR2002/1430 Sprays Oast Barn

Modified decking and balustrade

The Paris Council felt strongly that this is not acceptable, and therefore are against this application.

RR/2002/1437 Corner House

Erection of Domestic Store

The Parish Council had no objection

RR/2002/451 Penhurst Field

Erection of Garage and workshop and new outdoor tennis court.

The Parish Council had no objection

RR/2002/ Redpale Farm, Change of use – Old Dairy to Holiday

Accommodation

The Parish Council had no objection

6. Finance

£30.000 in the bank

£16.000 in un-cashed cheques

£5.000 still available for the pavilion

£2360 VAT refund has been applied for

Now that the pavilion is nearing completion it was felt that at a cost of £90 each, blinds should be purchased and fitted at the toilet windows.

7 AOB

Cllr. K. Field gave the news that the Mountfield incinerator was still ongoing.

Andrew Woodhouse
Vice chair
3/9/02

ASHBURNHAM AND PENHURST
PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER 2002.
AT ASHBURNHAM VILLAGE HALL

PRESENT

Cllr Jane Andrew, Cllr Katherine Field, Cllr Colin Baker, Cllr Norman Harman. Cllr Andrew Wooding-Jones.

1.APOLOGIES

Cllr Roy White, Cllr Fred Akehurst, Chairman, Cllr Roger Burfoot.

2.DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

None

3.MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

Read and signed

4. MATTERS ARISING

Pavilion-weather board painting has now been completed by Brian Saunders.

Blinds-shortly to be fitted to the three toilet windows.

Car park-shingle surface now complete.

Electricity supply-still negotiating with Seeboard and Strutt and Parker, re wayleaves and whether single phase or 3 phase.

Pavilion finance- to be discussed at the next meeting.

Pavilion grants- a second application to the Countryside Agency has been refused.

Caretaker- has been appointed- Johanna Thompson £6 per week.

5. CORRESPONDENCE-

Recycling-Clerk to get in touch with Derek Stevens re-possibilities of recycling in the village.

The Battle Partnership-the clerk is to make enquiries as to whether there is any funding available, towards the pavilion interior or play equipment in the outfield. Also could it be retrospective or future funding.

R.D.C.-The council were in full agreement that they had no objections to future visits to PCC meetings from Derek Stevens, Chief Executive

The clerk is to ask Jennifer Oldroyd to insert in the magazine information regarding the community bus, and also asking for residents opinions on Adult Learning, for example what would their chosen subject be, and what time of the day would they like this to take place, also to highlight to the residents the services on offer from the local Citizens Advice Bureau.

6. PLANNING

OLD-RR/2002/1430-Pprays Oast Barn-Revised plans-granted.

RR/2002/1197-1 New Buildings Farm Cottage-granted.

RR/2002/1083 Isaacs Burnt Barns Farm-Extension to barn-granted
RR/2002/1437 Winfield Corner House-Domestic Store-granted
RR/2002/1451 Edgar Penhurst Field-Garage/Tennis Court-granted with sec. 106
RR/2002/1290/1275 Roberts Redpale Farm-Holiday accom-granted with sec. 106

NEW-

Amended:

RR/2002/1723- Ashburnham Place-Adaptions to existing workshop to include new laundry and store including adjacent caravan storage.

7. FINANCE

None

8. AOB

Cllr C. Baker thought the fees for the stoolball club ought to be revised early next year ready for the new season.

Cllr A. Wooding-Jones voiced concerns over the speed cars are driven through the village and surrounding main roads and asked the clerk to look into ways of rectifying this problem, Cllr Katherine Field, suggested to back up our claim, in the unfortunate event of an accident to take photographs, as evidence, and as a way of logging accidents.

RWB Jones

5/11/02

ASHBURNHAM AND PENHURST
PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING
HELD ON TUESDAY 5TH NOVEMBER 2002
AT ASHBURNHAM VILLAGE HALL

PRESENT

Cllr F. Akehurst, Cllr R. White, Cllr N. Harman, Cllr J. Andrew, Cllr C. Baker, Cllr A. Wooding-Jones, Cllr R Burfoot (chairman) Cllr W, Miers.

1, APOLOGIES

None

2, DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

Councillor White re-playing field maintenance

3. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

Read and signed as a correct record.

4. MATTERS ARISING

Pavilion electricity supply;-It was stated that an estimate has been received from Seeboard for single phase electricity to the pavilion at a cost of £3,731 and £4,166 for three phase, it was approved by the whole council to adopt the three phase system. An outside meter is to be fitted to the pavilion.

Keith Finch has given an estimate of £1958.04 including VAT for internal electrical work to be done, but it was felt by the whole council that two other estimates would be required.

We have a Foundation for Sport & The Arts grant for £4,000 that would be put towards this work.

Derek Southouse of Hailsham Roadway is to be asked to confirm his estimate in writing to dig a trench for the electricity cable and backfill.

Pavilion Finance;- There is still a sum of £9000 available to be spent on the pavilion. With this money it was felt, that we should look into the insulation of the loft space and to make enquiries as to the cost of showers. These would be the first priority.

Pavilion Bookings and Charges;- Bernard Baker has been thanked for his work in this area in the past, and has been informed that Linda Keeley is to take over the bookings for the pavilion with immediate effect. The charges were reviewed and set at a minimum of £15 per session, this would include stoolball and any other body except the cricket club who would pay a yearly cost of £225 for hiring the pavilion and field, this was proposed by Colin Baker and seconded by Fred Akehurst, these charges are to be reviewed in 2003.

It was suggested, to help with the running cost, that a meter be installed on the electrical circuit serving the showers and any future heaters, as these would be the most expensive to run of all the electrical equipment.

The T.O.W. when they use the field for a day next year have been quoted a rent of £45.

5. CORRESPONDENCE.

FWAG-it was agreed to a £35 subscription.

6.PLANNING-NEW

RR/2002/2368 Thornden- To increase area of workshop and storage building – recommended for approval.

OLD

RR/2002/177 Burnt Barns House, Garage/Store-Granted

RR/2002/178 Burnt Barns House, Barn for storage-Granted

RR/2002/1198 Redpale, Horse exerciser-Granted

Correspondence re-Old Post Office-No reply, but Cllr Miers did inform the meeting that the caravan had been overlooked by Rother, and despite the councils objections to the conservatory, Rother approved it, and as yet no word on the sewage outfall.

Burnt Barns Farm-Rother had approved the application.

7 FINANCE

Approval of accounts was give prior to Audit.

The Council were informed that the Clerk has taken on the job of RF0, proposed by Cllr Baker and seconded by Cllr Andrew. The Clerk's pay was also discussed, and a salary of £740 for the year ending 31st December 2002, and £770 for the year to 31st December 2003 was approved by the council.

8 A.O.B

The Freedom of information Act was studied and the core classes (with the exception of the class on electoral arrangements were adopted. It was felt that if any member of the public wanted to view Council documents, there would be a charge of £10 per document to cover Clerk's time and copying costs..

The Clerk is to write a letter to Bernard Baker, thanking him for all his work behind the scenes, planning the new Pavilion and applying for grants. Mr Baker's work was at no cost to the Parish Council.

Sports Field maintenance - Due to the increase in the field size, maintenance will now be carried out as and when necessary on a job by job basis..

Future dates for Parish Council Meetings

7.1.03

4.3.03

6.5.03

RVB
CHRIS
8th January 2003