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**HOATH PARISH COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the meeting held on 12th October 2015.**

Present: Councillors Sue Chapman (chair), John Williams, Jonathan Moore. In attendance: Guy Foster (clerk and CCC), and 3 members of the public.

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1. **Apologies**

Cllr Wright had sent apologies as had Alan Marsh of KCC.

1. **Declaration of members’ interests**

None.

1. **Minutes of the last meeting and any matters arising**

The minutes were agreed and signed as a true record.

1. **CCC and KCC reports**

Guy Foster (CCC) reported that he had attended the Joint Transportation Board and Herne Bay Area Member Panel meetings. He had also attended a meeting about the proposed development at South Canterbury. He remarked that this was an enormous development which was almost certain to go ahead and recommended that people should have a look at it as it was likely to transform Canterbury.

Most importantly, it seemed that the Chislet wind farm scheme was now dead, or at least mortally wounded.

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At this point the meeting was adjourned to allow comments from members of the public. The following matters were raised:

* The waste bin by the school had disappeared. It would also be useful to have a dog waste bin there. The clerk would contact SERCO.
* The “no dogs” sign had gone from the play area. It would also be useful to have a “no adults unless with children” sign there. The clerk to action.
* The matter of new play equipment was raised. The history of this was recounted and it was agreed to have another think about this.

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1. **Planning**

There were no new applications. It was noted that the application at Millbank House had been withdrawn.

Cllr Williams reported seeing a new steel structure at Ford Hill. It was agreed that members would take a look at this, as no one else had seen it or knew what it was.

1. **Report of the clerk/RFO**

The clerk reported that the end-September cashbook balance was £16,147.64. The bank balance at the same date was £16,570.33.

The following were approved for payment:

1. Clerk: September £360.25 (salary £315.19, expenses £45.06)

Correspondence:

* The clerk referred to the CFG review and related the discussion on this topic at the Herne Bay Area Member Panel. It was agreed that the clerk would respond to CCC on behalf of the PC.
* Hoath school enlargement: the clerk reported the forthcoming public meeting on this topic.

1. **Councillors’ reports**

Cllr Williams said that the new sign post was ready and would be installed soon.

Cllr Chapman said there were a few vacancies on the first aid course arranged for 19th October at 4 pm.

There was general concern at the effects on traffic movements and parking of the proposed increase in size of Hoath school.

1. **Date of next meeting.**

This was confirmed as Monday November 9th  at 8 p.m.

**Guy Foster**

*Clerk to Hoath Parish Council*

October 16th 2015.

Signed as a true record \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_