

FAIRLIGHT PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held at Fairlight Village Hall on Tuesday 28th July 2015 at 7.15pm.

Present: Councillors A. Mier (Chairman), Mrs J. Annetts, Mrs C. Gallagher, Rev. V. Gibbs, D. Greenup, A. King, S. Leadbetter and D. Thatcher. Also present: County Cllr C. Maynard, Dist Cllrs R. Bird and C. Saint, Parish Clerk J. Edmunds and 22 members of the public.

15107 Apologies for Absence: Haydon Luke.

15108 Agenda additions: None although County Councillor Maynard requested that his report be taken early as he needed to attend a meeting at Brede Parish Council. The Chairman agreed to take the report before item 15112 but the actual report will be shown within the usual section (15119) for ease of the reader.

15109 Code of Conduct and Disclosure of Interests: None

15110 To Approve the Minutes of the Meeting held 23rd June 2015.

The minutes having been distributed prior to the meeting and made available to the Public at the meeting, were approved and signed by The Chairman as a correct record.

15111 Matters arising from the Minutes not otherwise on the Agenda: None

15112 Financial Matters

(a) Discuss/approve the requested increase in valuation fee by the District Valuer re Warren Estate
The Clerk explained that he had received a request from the District Valuer for an increased payment which the Clerk had queried and asked for a breakdown, which the DV had now supplied. The Clerk read out the breakdown. The request was for a payment of £1120.38 plus VAT against an original quote of £750 plus VAT.

Following a discussion, it was agreed that the Clerk would write and refuse to increase the amount to be paid as the original was an agreed quote and clearly written in the Terms of Engagement.

(b) Approve the payment on account to Wellers Law Group

The Clerk advised that the appointed Solicitor had requested an advance payment of £500. Councillors agreed that this was normal practice and approved the payment.

(c) Pensions Auto Enrolment

The Clerk advised Members that under Government legislation, all employees will need to be offered a pension and that in Fairlight PC's case this will be from August 2016. This is advance notice and further information will be supplied in due course.

15113 Visitor Centre

The Chairman recapped the history of the Planning Application for the Country Park Visitor Centre by Hastings Borough Council, the Hastings Planning Committee Meeting in March 2015 and the recent meetings with Hastings Councillors. He also read out the recent letter from Hastings Councillor Davies who has direct responsibility for the Visitor Centre at Hastings Country Park and the reply from Fairlight PC. The Chairman then read out Haydon Luke's report on his meeting at Hastings Town Hall with Cllr Davies and the subsequent offer of a seat on the Project Board. The Chairman also made it clear that the offer of a seat on the Project Board was not conditional on the proposed complaint being withdrawn. Cllrs views were then requested.

A lengthy discussion took place and all different options considered. Cllrs were torn between (a) accepting the offer as the seat on the Project Board was the original aim and (b) the fear that Haydon Luke would not be treated equally and the opportunity to complain over the alleged dismissive conduct of some of Hastings Councillors towards Fairlight residents.

County Cllr Maynard offered a view from his County experience and generally felt that a seat on the PB at least gave the PC first-hand knowledge of what was being decided and suggested inviting Cllr Davies along with Groundworks to the next PC meeting in order to allay the fears which residents may have over the development. The Chairman suspended Standing Orders at 8.02 pm to give the public a chance to give their views.

Zoe Darroch (Owner of Coastguard Tea Rooms) wanted to know what the basis of the complaint would be. The Chairman set out all the issues.

Zoe then advised that she had been present at the Hastings Planning meeting and confirmed all that had been reported and also that when the original plans were displayed, she was promised there would be no tables and chairs at the Visitor Centre. As they rely on a lot of visitor trade during the summer, she anticipates this having a bad effect on her business, which may be enough to cause her business to close.

Maggie Boulter (Owner of Fairlight Lodge) explained that even though she is a Hastings resident she was shocked to hear how her Cllrs had acted and also felt some loss to her business will occur. Her main worry was that the Visitor Centre is on the outskirts of Hastings and as such does not affect Hastings residents. Therefore she believes they should have an obligation to look at the effect on those residents who are in the proximity.

Other residents made similar observations about the lack of a site visit and one suggested Cllr Davies knock on the doors of the residents most affected by the VC and speak directly with them.

Generally, the views supported the existing business and residents objections and felt that as no Hastings resident lives in close proximity that it was not fair or ethical to discount the views of Fairlight residents living nearby. It was felt by the public to be both arrogant and un-neighbourly especially as it is thought nobody in Fairlight has opposed the idea of a new Visitor Centre.

It was accepted that a place on the Project Board would be a fair solution but as there is no fixed date for their next meeting then a decision to do something needed to be made.

The Chairman re-instated Standing Orders at 8.15 pm.

The Chairman then suggested *‘We write to Hastings Borough Council accepting the Project Board seat without mentioning the complaint and offer Cllr Davies, Groundworks and Murray Davidson the chance to come and address the serious concerns of Fairlight residents regarding the Visitor Centre. Also that a resident of Fairlight nominated by the Fairlight Parish Council (currently Haydon Luke) or a nominated deputy be a full member of the Project Board for the Visitor Centre.’* Cllr King proposed the suggestion which was seconded by Cllr Leadbetter. Following a vote which was carried 4 votes to 3 (The Chairman did not vote) the motion was **resolved**.

The Clerk will write to Cllr Davies.

15114 RALC

Cllr Thatcher had prepared a report which had been circulated prior to the meeting and made available to the public at the meeting. A copy of the report is attached as an appendix to these Minutes.

15115 Highways

The Highways Report had been circulated by Cllr. Revd. Gibbs prior to the Meeting and made available to the Public at the Meeting. The Report is attached as an appendix to these Minutes.

There was a recent issue with parking in Lower Waites Lane where cars were parked for 3 days and it would have been very difficult for Emergency vehicles to have passed them, if they had been needed.

15116 Planning

The Planning Committee’s report and notes from their meetings for the last month had been circulated prior to the meeting and made available to the Public at the meeting.

The Report was noted and is attached as an appendix to these Minutes. Cllr Leadbetter highlighted some of the main points of the report and also advised that an appeal by the developers for The Anchorage site had been upheld.

Cllr Leadbetter advised that the Clerk has the notices to send to Rother DC regarding the Neighbourhood Plan. Once the acknowledgement from Rother is received, application for the Grant can be made.

15117 Land Management:

(a) Monthly Report

Cllr King reported the following:-

(1) The basketball net has been turned around and is being used.

(2) The new dog bins have arrived and will be fitted in due course. It is possible there is someone who will take away the old ones.

(3) The play-bark will arrive on 29th and some help will be needed to spread it at the Playground.

(4) Cllr Thatcher and Paul Reid have been cutting back the undergrowth in Knowle Wood. Cllr Thatcher asked that the Tennis club leave the clearings they have done on the concrete and he will arrange to clear it away and not to place it in the wood.

(b) Parking Issues at the junction of Hill Road and Coastguard Lane

Details of the letter from The Hill Road Residents were read out concerning the Parking within the area near to the junction with Coastguard Lane. The matter had been taken up with East Sussex County Council but they had referred the H.R. Residents to the Parish Council.

After discussion it was decided that Cllr Revd Gibbs in her capacity of Highways Officer would visit the site and report back to the Members at the next meeting.

(c) Southern Water

The Chairman recapped the situation and advised that Paul Capps (Fairlight Preservation Trust) was communicating with the Water Consumers Council over the problems.

Cllr Revd Gibbs felt that it was still appropriate for The Environment Agency to be involved.

A reply and update had been received from Southern Water since the last meeting but it did not resolve the issues and fresh questions had been asked.

(d) Wildflower Verges

Cllr Mrs Annetts reported that the verges in Broadway opposite Wakehams Farm had been badly cut by ESCC. The verge in Broadway should not have been cut yet. The verge in Wood Field has not worked and was also not universally well received. It is therefore likely to be discontinued.

(e) Playground matting

Cllr Mrs Annetts advised that the playpark is a short term solution and she is still looking into the possibility of matting being used as a long term replacement.

15118 Vice-Chair`s Report

The Vice-Chair had nothing to report this month.

15119 County and District Councillors Reports:

County Cllr Maynard reported that Revenue money pressures mean that over the last 5 years £78 million has been lost due to Government restrictions and over the next 5 years between £70 M - £90 million will be lost in reduced funding. There will be a need to make savings but the County Council are committed to retaining services and will consult widely before cuts are made. With regard to the Bexhill to Hastings link road, Cllr Maynard advised what the delays had been but confirmed that it will be open before the end of the year and although the Queensway Gateway had stalled due to the Planning Application being withdrawn, he believes a new Planning Application will be made in the very near future.

Dist Cllr Bird gave a short report on what is acceptable where bonfires are concerned and confirmed that although generally speaking white smoke is acceptable, continuous white smoke could be considered a nuisance and should be reported to Rother DC. He also thought that if neighbours were considerate then bonfires would not be an issue.

Cllr Mrs Gallagher advised that there had been several bonfires recently in the privately owned part of Knowle Wood where there had been a lot of wood cutting going on.

Dist Cllr Saint advised that very little had happened for reporting purposes as the District Council was still in the change-over period. There had been a meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee of which he is a member and it has been decided to review the Assets Rother owns and look at their value to Rother. They have 34 projects to resolve including the two fields at the top of Peter James Lane, one of which houses the Beacon owned by the PC.

15120 Approval and Payment of Accounts

The Clerk tabled a list of payments to be made at this meeting.

Approved as follows:-

| Cheque No. | Payee | Gross £ | VAT(Reclaimable) |
|-------------------|----------------------------|----------------|-------------------------|
| 1689 | Wellers Law group | 500.00 | |
| 1690 | AB Fire & Security | 49.39 | 8.23 |
| 1691 | Mrs V King | xxxxxx | |
| 1692 | J Edmunds (Sal & Expenses) | xxxxxx | |
| 1693 | HMRC | xxxxxx | |
| 1694 | Miss T Robertson | 30.00 | |
| 1695 | Fairlight Village Hall | 79.00 | |
| 1696 | D Thatcher (Expenses) | 9.45 | |
| 1697 | Viking | 52.61 | 8.77 |
| 1698 | Glasdon (dog bins) | 1123.20 | 187.20 |
| 1699 | J Annetts | 152.00 | |

Cheque numbered1689 signed in advance of meeting (14/07)

15121 Information and/or Future Agenda Items

- **Correspondence**

Correspondence Received:-

AirS

B Patience x 3

Cllr Davies re Visitor Centre

ESCC Highways re

Fusion 4

Hill Road Residents

Ian Davison

K Prescott re Hill Road Parking

M Harper – ESCC
Mrs Tanner
National Trust
Rother District Council
Southern Water re sewer run x 2
The Pensions Regulator
Victim Support
Weekly Rural News
Weekly Police updates
Wicksteed

Correspondence Sent:

AirS
B Patience x2
ESCC Highways re stats for fingerposts
ESCC – Mat Harper
Fusion 4
Glasdon
HBC re Visitor Centre
Ian Davison
Mrs Tanner
Murray Davidson
National Trust
Planning Applicant x4
Southern Water

- The Village Hall is closed for maintenance on 3rd/4th August
- The CCTV at the end of Waites Lane has failed due possibly to a power surge or a lightning strike. Fusion4 are providing a quote to replace the equipment and The Clerk has applied to the PC's Insurance Company to see if a claim can be made.
- Mrs Tanner has advised through her Solicitor that she is prepared to offer the twitten in Woodland Way to the PC. This will be discussed at the next meeting.

15122 **Date of next meeting** – Tuesday 25th August 2015, 7.15pm at Fairlight.
The formal part of the meeting closed at 9.06 pm

Open Forum

- John Pulfer (resident) thanked Cllr Revd Gibbs for arranging the Waites Lane sign repair. He also mentioned that the pot hole repair in Waites Lane `followed the dip in the road`.
- Paul Capps (Fairlight Preservation Trust) suggested adding `or deputy` to the advice letter going to Hastings re the Visitor Centre in case Haydon Luke was unable to make a meeting for any reason.

He has also been in contact with the Consumer Council for Water and will be involving the Environment Agency in light of the reply he had received.

Rother's Cabinet have also met and approved the £30k required to enable the scoping study for the Cliffs to get underway. From a fund raising point of view, there are 12 pledges outstanding from all that have been promised. He is hopeful that the remainder will be received soon but there is still a need to raise more funds.

- Cllr Annetts reminded everyone about the picnic on the beach on 9th August. Meet at the gate down to the beach at 12 and for safety reasons everyone must keep to the path. There will be stewards to help.
- Paul Capps talked about the Planning consent for The Anchorage. He has looked at the conditions for approval and specifically at the surface water and Japanese Knotweed. He pushed for the PC to keep on top of the development and ensure Rother make the developers adhere to the conditions set.
- In reply to a question from Keith Jellicoe (East Field) Cllr Leadbetter advised that no further news had been received about Rother's Local Plan and he re-iterated that if any information is received then that information will be passed on to him. Cllr Leadbetter also advised that a question about the potential development in Pixie Wood being part of the numbers already quoted in the previous figure for new development in Fairlight or whether they are additional. He also read out the comments that had been sent to Rother Planners about the Planning Application for Pixie Wood.

- 2) Ideally the dwellings should be set slightly further back on the site if this can be achieved without compromising the Area Tree Preservation Order.
- 3) While the proposed parking provision complies with the required minimum standard, additional parking provision should be strongly encouraged. This is because these are 4 bedroom houses and **no** street parking is available on Farley Way or anywhere nearby. Setting the houses further back would facilitate this.
- 4) The drainage system in Fairlight is under strain. Assurances should be sought from Southern Water that the foul drainage system can cope with two additional properties in this area.
- 5) Planners need to be satisfied that the work to remove Japanese Knotweed has been adequately carried out, and ensure that processes for monitoring, and carrying out, further works, as needed, are in place.
- 6) Should planning permission be granted it should be a condition that a compound be created within the site and that construction traffic be contained within it at all times during the construction phase.
- 7) Any comments made by nearby residents affected by the proposal should be taken into account.

Planning report weeks 26 and 27

Nothing for Fairlight

Planning report week 28

RR/2015/1579/P

Old Granary, Warren Road, Fairlight TN35 4AG

Erection of single storey extension (renewal of permission RR/2012/1459/P).

Parish Council comments: Not yet considered by Parish Council.

RR/2015/1664/P

Thyme Cottage, Rosemary Lane, Fairlight TN35 4EB

Discharge section 106 obligation dated 26th October 2005 relating to planning permission RR/2005/1299/P.

Parish Council comments: Not yet considered by Parish Council.

RR/2015/1687/P

Holly Lodge, Cliff Way, Fairlight TN35 4DT

Disabled ramp for wheelchair use down to garden with garden made level with decking for wheelchair use.

Parish Council comments: Not yet considered by Parish Council.

2) Planning Decisions

RR/2015/1248/P

1 The Close, Ness View, Fairlight TN35 4AQ

Proposed dormer for ensuite Shower room and internal alterations.

Decision: Approved

RR/2015/785/P

Thyme Cottage, Rosemary Lane, Fairlight TN35 4EB

Proposed triple garage with holiday let accommodation over in roof void. Proposed tool and agriculture equipment shed.

Decision: Refused on the following grounds (my summary)

- 1) The proposed structure is suburban in character and appearance and would detract from the appearance of the main property and be intrusive in an AONB.
- 2) It has not been demonstrated that storage of the scale proposed is required and it would be ostentatious, intrusive and out of character.

RR/2015/947/P

Dreams End, Channel Way, Fairlight TN35 4BP

Variation of condition 2 of RR/2013/247/P to replace ridge glazing with rooflights; Variation of rear dormer detail; Insertion of rear rooflight; Removal of second floor room.

Decision: Approved

**Planning Application – RR/2015/1273/
17 Woodland Way, Fairlight, TN35 4AU**

Conservatory to front. Alterations to fenestration and wall infill to rear.
Removal of existing habitable garage.

Decision: Approved

3) Appeals Against Refusal to Grant Planning Permission.

APP/U1430/W/15/3035984

Gentian Cottage – Land adjoining, Hill Road, Fairlight, TN35 4AE

Outline Development of land into dwellinghouse

Refused as outside the development boundary of the village and does not meet any of the criteria which would allow development in such locations.

Applicant has appealed to the secretary of State and the matter will be determined by an examination of documents.

Stephen Leadbetter
Planning Committee Chairman
21st July 2015

**Fairlight Parish Council Planning Committee – 30th June 2015
Notes of Meeting**

Present: Councillors S. Leadbetter (Chairman), A. Mier, Mrs C. Gallagher, Mrs J. Annetts,
Revd V. Gibbs

Mrs I Tuffrey(joint applicant), neighbour.

Apologies for Absence - None

1) Code of Conduct and Disclosure of Interests:

None

2) Planning Applications

Planning Application – RR/2015/1498/P

Lower Stonelynk Farm, Rosemary Lane, TN35 4EB

Replacement of existing conservatory roof with solid roof and rooflight, additional roof light to utility room and additional French doors to conservatory.

Mrs Tuffrey explained that the work was being carried out to improve the ageing conservatory , improve energy efficiency and to improve light in the utility room.

Councillors discussed the application had no concerns and felt the proposed work would be of benefit.

Parish Council comments to be:

- 1) The Parish Council support this application as the proposed works will improve the property, while retaining its character, and improve thermal insulation.
- 2) Any comments made by residents of adjoining properties should be taken into account.

3) Neighbourhood Plan

The Chairman advised that work could begin in earnest once the promised documents from AIRS had been sent.

4) Any Other Business

None

Meeting closed at 2.40pm

5) Date and Venue of Next Meeting

Tuesday 14th July 2015 at 2.30pm in Fairlight Village Hall, subject to confirmation.

Fairlight Parish Council Planning Committee – 14th July 2015

Notes of Meeting

Present: Councillors S. Leadbetter (Chairman), A. Mier, Mrs C. Gallagher, Mrs J. Annetts,

Mrs S Kinnes (applicant), Ms R Mackinnon, Ms S E Kinnes

Apologies for Absence - Revd V. Gibbs

3) Code of Conduct and Disclosure of Interests:

None

4) Planning Applications

RR/2015/1648/P

Pixie Wood, Farley Way, Fairlight TN35 4AS

Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of three detached dwellings.

The Chairman invited Mrs Kinnes to introduce the application.

Mrs Kinnes explained that Pixie Wood had been owned by her grandparents and subsequently her parents who had now died. The house meant a great deal to the family but was in poor condition and needed to be replaced. The family felt they needed to do the best for themselves and seek to develop the site.

The family had retained a planning consultant who had sought to present a suitable proposal taking into account the special features of the site.

The Chairman then summarised the comments on the Rother website made by local residents who had expressed concerns as follows:

4 expressed concern that the proposal was out of character for the area.

8 had expressed concern about foul or surface water drainage.

10 were worried about additional traffic, particularly construction traffic.

7 felt the proposal was over development of the site.

5 were concerned about overlooking.

There were also comments about the presence of Japanese knotweed, impact on trees and impact on wildlife.

Committee members then discussed the proposals and decided that the following comments should be made to Rother Planning.

- 8) The presence of three similar properties, close to each other, and in a forward position on the site, made the development dominant in relation to nearby properties. Rother Planners should consider whether this made the proposal out of keeping with the area.
- 9) Ideally the dwellings should be set slightly further back on the site if this can be achieved without compromising the Area Tree Preservation Order.
- 10) While the proposed parking provision complies with the required minimum standard, additional parking provision should be strongly encouraged. This is because these are 4 bedroom houses and **no** street parking is available on Farley Way or anywhere nearby. Setting the houses further back would facilitate this.
- 11) The drainage system in Fairlight is under strain. Assurances should be sought from Southern Water that the foul drainage system can cope with two additional properties in this area.
- 12) Planners need to be satisfied that the work to remove Japanese Knotweed has been adequately carried out, and ensure that processes for monitoring, and carrying out, further works, as needed, are in place.
- 13) Should planning permission be granted it should be a condition that a compound be created within the site and that construction traffic be contained within it at all times during the construction phase.
- 14) Any comments made by nearby residents affected by the proposal should be taken into account.

Planning Appeal comments for RR/2014/2521/P/2332 –

Appeal ref APP/U1430/W/15/3035984

Land adjoining Gentian Cottage, Hill Road, Fairlight

Development of land into dwellinghouse.

Committee members felt that generally they were content to rely on comments made in relation to the original application.

Southern Water to be contacted to clarify what pipework runs across this site in order that further comments can be made in relation to the appeal, if required, when such information is available.

3) Neighbourhood Plan

The Chairman distributed hard copies of documents sent by AiRS .

- Following the meeting with Faustina Bayo of AiRS on 24th June it was agreed that the priorities are:
- a) Serve notice on Rother, subject to checking with AiRS that the notice and covering letter contain all relevant information.
 - b) Chase AiRS for information to allow grant application to be applied for.
 - c) Initiate meeting of those who have expressed an interest in being involved.
 - d) Draft terms of reference.
 - e) Prepare publicity for the Neighbourhood Plan raising awareness and asking for expressions of interest in being core group members.
 - f) Plan open day.
 - g) Obtain updated flow chart from AiRS

4) Any Other Business

None

5) Date and Venue of Next Meeting

Tuesday 28th July 2015 at 6.15pm in Fairlight Village Hall, subject to confirmation.

3. Visitor Centre

Report to Parish Council on meeting with Murray Davidson, Environment and Natural Resources Manager for HBC, and Hastings Borough Councillor Warren Davies who, since the May elections, holds the cabinet Brief which includes the Hastings Country Park.

The meeting was offered by HBC in response to the FPC's formal request for representation on the Board which will oversee the construction and development of the new Country Park Visitor Centre. I was asked by the Chair of the FPC to be the Fairlight representative at that meeting, held on Monday 14th July in Committee Room 2 at HBC Offices.

The meeting lasted just over an hour and I was able to reiterate many of the objections and concerns that Fairlight had with respect to the project. I stressed the fact that more than 50 Fairlight residential properties were within 500 metres (some far less) of the proposed site but there were no Hastings residents in that compass. I reminded Mr Davidson and Cllr Davies that though HBC owns the Country Park, parts of it lie in Fairlight Parish and Rother District. Though they own the park, in practice they hold in trust a precious landscape asset of importance regionally and nationally, not just to Hastings. I stressed the fact that Fairlight, like Hastings, has a strong interest in the future and well-being of the Country Park but also that nearby Fairlight residents have a reasonable expectation that their quality of life should not be diminished by the existence of a new visitor centre.

Although it was made clear that HBC was not prepared to compromise on the location of the new centre which it had long aspired to create, Cllr Davies emphasised that he was coming at the project afresh and was keen to understand the various points of view. Murray Davidson said he felt it was unfortunate that concerns had been raised about some things that were never in fact intended and repeated categorical assurances about the limits of their ambitions for catering (light refreshments only, no liquor licence) and no evening use out of hours. These had been incorporated in the conditions attaching to the granting of planning permission.

After a wide ranging and frank discussion of the various issues, Cllr Davies said he would put the proposal for Fairlight representation to the committee later that day and get back to me. In the event the committee's decision was positive and we have been offered a seat on the Board which will consist of about 6 members.

It will clearly be up to FPC to decide whether to accept or not but I think this represents real progress and an opportunity to engage with Hastings and their project developers (Groundwork South) as the project moves forward in a more positive fashion than might otherwise have been the case. Consequently, I think that if we accept this seat we will now be much better placed to influence the future than we would have been in a confrontational situation which would follow from proceeding with a formal complaint.

Sadly we are not going to get the location of the Centre changed but I believe that there is now a genuine desire to improve relations.

I apologise for the fact that I am unable to present this report to the FPC meeting in person but we will be away with the wider family on a holiday booked more than a year ago to celebrate our golden wedding.

Haydon Luke
23/07/15

4. RALC report

Summary of the RALC meeting held at Battle, Wednesday 15th July 2015.

As ever hopefully it is fairly accurate as the ability to hear what many are saying is at best limited at times.

- 1) Battle Partnership is being wound up. There are limited funds available for those wishing to make an application for community projects.
- 2) ESCC Community grant scheme.....deadline for this year is 31st July to apply for grants.
- 3) No Police attendance, just a notification that they will be cutting back on attending meetings such as RALC, unless there is a pressing and more urgent matter(s).
- 4) As mentioned earlier, because of Police funding cutbacks, they are suggesting? that Town & Parish Councils contribute towards the cost (all of it?).
However, if that scenario were to come about, then they couldn't promise that a Town or Parish will get an "X" amount of time, because if an incident occurred that needed urgently attending elsewhere, then they would be "pulled" from the area.
- 5) The Police would like Town & Parish Councils to let them know what their priorities are in Policing their areas, so they can make judgements to assess their what they are best able to do.
- 5) Parish & town councils should make sure they are up to speed on training that is available.
RALC is in the process of organising a training session Re' Planning in the very near future (September?).
- 6) A Planning seminar to be held at Bexhill Town Hall on 7th or 9th October.
- 7) Where a Town or Parish Clerk is struggling to cope, there is a "suggestion" that an assistant is hired to help with the workload. Costs to be shared between co-operating Councils.
- 8) There are plans to create a South East Powerhouse, the same as being mooted for Manchester to help boost Jobs/Industry etc.

Cllr D Thatcher