

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE KIG JOINT PARISHES GROUP
Held on Monday 21st November 2007 at 7.30pm.

Present: Representatives from the following Parish Councils:
Bearsted
Boxley
Broomfield & Kingswood
Detling
Harrietsham
Hollingbourne
Leeds
Lenham
Sutton Valence
Thurnham

The meeting was chaired by Richard Jacques - TPC.

Also in attendance: Mrs Sherrie Babington and Peter Cooper from Bloomfield's Planning Consultants.

1. Apologies.

Apologies were received from Chart Sutton, Otham, Langley and Downswood Parish Councils.

2. Minutes from the previous meeting.

The minutes from the previous meeting were agreed by all present.

3. Draft Response to KIG planning application presented by Bloomfield's.

The draft response to the planning application was presented by Peter Cooper of Bloomfield's.

All parties present discussed this and made suggestions as to other areas to cover.

The effects on the M20 were discussed along with transport survey accompanying the application. All present disagreed with the content of the transport survey and its fact regarding traffic congestion. Peter Cooper confirmed that he had covered this area within the body of his response.

Health, well-being and quality of life issues were mentioned by Richard Jacques. He suggested that these areas should be included as they were issues that had not been considered in detail as part of the planning application.

Discussions focussed around the service industry that would build up around the development and the light and noise issues from the site.

Richard Jacques informed the meeting that he had approached Rob Jarman to ask whether he would seek permission for the Joint Parish Group to have access to their information. He stated that he was still awaiting a response to this request.

Following discussions it was agreed that subject to the inclusion of the agreed points that the draft should be finalised and sent to MBC before the deadline of 27th November 2007.

Richard Jacques reminded all present that the Joint Parish Meeting were due to meet again on Monday 26th November where Mark Watts was due to attend the meeting to speak on this matter.

4. Other Matters.

The draft Terms of Reference were circulated and discussed by all present. These were agreed subject to the clarification of two points. The Clerk was asked to amend these for acceptance at the next meeting.

Action: Amend Terms of Reference as agreed.

Richard Jacques spoke regarding the forthcoming Local Board meeting that was due to take place on 30th November 2007. He stated that the Joint Parish Group had not been invited to attend and form part of the platform. It was agreed that a letter should be written from the Joint Parish Group to ask for a representative to be formally invited to speak on the platform.

Action: Letter to be written to KCC as agreed.

5. Date of next meeting.

To be arranged.

The meeting closed at 8.50pm.