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At a meeting of Trotton with Chithurst Parish Council held on Wednesday 9th July, 2008,
at the Southdown Hotel .

Those present: Mr C.Hodgson(Chairman) Mrs Brown Mr Dawtrey
Mrs Paddock Mrs Stiles
District Councillor Mr Shaxson and 1 member of the general public

- 1) **Apologies of absence** - Mrs Robertson Mr Knight and Ms Hendon
- 2) **Declaration of Interest** - none were received
- 3) **The Minutes of the meeting held on 14/05/2008** were confirmed and signed as correct.
- 4) **Matters Arising from the Minutes**
 - a) The survey carried out by the Sussex University on Chithurst churchyard is with the Clerk for safe keeping.
 - b) **Highways Matters** - Nearly all the road signs in the Parish are obscured by overhanging vegetation, the Give Way sign near Lovehill needs securing to the upright. the clerk to inform the Highways.
 - c) **Quiet Lanes** - The Council agree in principle to the scheme (only Chithurst Lane and Gatehouse Lane are included in the zone) but are against more signage. Mrs Stiles said that local people using the Lanes are unlikely to alter their speeds when entering the 'Quiet Areas'
 - d) **Chithurst Church Yard** - The safety inspection of the two closed churchyards have been carried out and found to be satisfactory. The path in St. Mary's church is becoming overgrown with grass with the gravel surface being obliterated.
Councillors are asked to inspect the path prior to the next meeting to obtain their views on the paths maintenance.
 - e) The repair of the Notice Board is underway.
 - f) The bridge on the Bridleway adjacent to Trotton Mill will be repaired.
The hedge needs cutting back belonging to The Mill as it restricts the width of the bridleway.
- 5) **District Councillors Report** -Mr Shaxson said that the financial slow down is affecting the revenue to the District Council. Car park takings are down, no big planning application fees/land searches fees and building regulation fees.

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6) **Financial matters** - The 'books' are with Mr Daborn for the internal audit inspection

7) **No Planning Applications**

8) **Correspondence.**

- a) Notice that the telephone box at Mill Lane will be removed no mention of the telephone box next to the bus shelter at The Bridge.
- b) Notice of the closure of Midhurst grammar School to enable the School to have academy status in the new year.
- c) Chithurst Lane will be temporary closed on 3rd August for a running race.
- d) WSCC 'talk with us' open meeting on 22nd July and Midhurst Primary School.

9) **Any Other Business -**

- a) the condition of Briar Lane is becoming very dangerous to horse riders and the bridleway from the A.272 near cocksparrow Hall the bridleway line as been moved over onto a tree stumped line.
- b) The roof of the Bus Shelter near Trotton Bridge needs attention.

Date:

Chairman