

HEMINGFORD ABBOTS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on 29th June 2016 at 7:30pm at the Hemingford Abbots Village Hall

Present: Bridget Flanagan
Councillors: Alun Jones
Christine Nicol
John Peters (Chairman)

Clerk: Carole Pollock

County and District Councillors: County Councillor Ian Bates

Members of the Public: 8 members of the public

26 To receive and approve Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received and approved from Councillor Erika Brown.

27 Councillors' Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary and Other Interests

None declared.

28 Public Participation Session

A resident was still concerned about the standing water outside the village hall, the Parish Clerk still continues to chase Cambridgeshire County Council Highways Team to solve the problem.

29 County/District Councillors' Update.

County Councillor Ian Bates reminded the meeting that Cambridgeshire County Council had a responsibility for public health and had produced an interesting report with facts and figures on subjects such as smoking, obesity etc. and felt that this information would be useful for village groups when bidding for funds.

The Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority Devolution document will be released for consultation soon.

30 Minutes of the previous meeting

The Minutes of the meetings held on the 11th May 2016 were agreed as a correct record and signed.

31 Matters Arising from the previous meeting

The Minutes Action Plan was reviewed

32 For Information Only

The Parish Clerk is to attend an update seminar on the 15th July.

Councillor John Peters advised the meeting that resident Josette Kermath had volunteered to take on the role as Neighbourhood Watch Area Co-ordinator.

33 Anglia Level Crossing Proposals

It was **RESOLVED** not to respond to the consultation.

34 Parish Councillor Vacancies

The Parish Council considered the applications received for the two Parish Councillor vacancies. Councillor Bridget Flanagan proposed Marcus Whewell and Councillor Christine Nicol seconded the proposal. Councillor Christine Nicol proposed Pearl Muspratt and Councillor Bridget Flanagan

seconded the proposal. A third candidate was also proposed but the proposal did not receive a seconder. A single composite motion was proposed that Marcus Whewell and Pearl Muspratt be co-opted to the Parish council. **RESOLVED** by a show of hands that Pearl Muspratt and Marcus Whewell be co-opted to fill the two Parish Councillor vacancies.

35 Village Maintenance and Repairs

It had been reported by a resident that the bench in the High Street near the bus stop needed attention, the seat to be inspected to ascertain what repair or maintenance work was required.

36 Highway Faults, Repairs and Issues

a Posts around the Splash in Rideaway are damaged and leaning dangerously over into the highway, this issue to be reported to Cambridgeshire County Council (CCC) Highways team for repair.

The Parish Clerk had been informed by Huntingdonshire District Council that the street cleaning department would no longer clear any fly tipping from the old Shell Garage area as it was private land. The problem was that part of the approach road goes over unregistered land which had not been adopted by CCC Highways and which CCC Highways were unable to identify the owner of. The Parish Clerk to write to Jo Challis (CCC District Highway Manager), County Councillor Ian Bates and the CCC Highways team to request that the problem of ownership be urgently investigated and identified.

b The Parish Council considered and discussed the response received from Cambridgeshire County Council Highways Department on the issue of obstructions of the highway in the village and **RESOLVED** to respond. Councillor John Peters to prepare a draft response.

37 Village Street Lighting

Two street lights (PC3 & 6) in Common Lane had been severely damaged, were unsafe and a risk to the public, it was **RESOLVED** to replace both columns/lanterns immediately for public safety reasons. The cost for this urgent repair will be up to the value £3,500, the parish street lighting maintenance contractors, K & M Lighting Services and UK Network to be instructed. Unfortunately, it was not known who damaged the streetlights. A tender request for the upgrade and repair of the village street lighting stock has been advertised on Contract Finder for 30 days.

Two residents left the meeting

38 Financial Matters

a RESOLVED that the following accounts be approved and paid:

i	Clerk's salary	For June 2016	Chq: 300147	£ 338.53
ii	Clerk's expenses	June 2016 Office Exps	Chq: 300148	£ 26.00
iii	HAVH	May-July Room Hire	Chq: 300149	£ 54.00
iv	HPMF	Grant Award	Chq: 300150	£ 500.00
v	HDC	Uncontested Election Fees	Chq: 300151	£ 105.00
vi	MG Garden Svcs	Village Maintenance	Chq: 300152	£ 50.50
vii	Staples UK Ltd	Stationery	Chq: 300153	£ 39.60 plus VAT

b Income noted as received:

i	HDC	Precept 2016-17	£17,500.00
ii	Unity Trust	C/A Interest 31/3 & 4/06/16	£ 5.41
iii	Unity Trust	Dep Interest 31/3	£ 5.91

c i The Parish Council considered expenditure on the purchase of a projector to view planning application documents during meetings, as the Huntingdonshire District Council no longer send out paper copies of documents to Parish Councils. The Parish Clerk to investigate the cost for a projector and a compatible laptop to use with the projector. The Parish Clerk to apply for funding from the Transparency Fund for an office/meeting laptop.

County Councillor Ian Bates and one resident left the meeting.

39 Planning

a Outstanding Matters

No matters to report

b Application determined by HDC

- i **13 Common Lane – 16/00749/HHFUL** – Erection of Boundary Wall and Gates (Retrospective).

HAPC: No observations for or against

HDC: Permission

c Applications awaiting determination by HDC

- i **Land Between Houghton Grange and The How, Houghton Road, Houghton 1301056OUT** - Hybrid application. Outline permission for 224 dwellings and retail unit (details of access and layout included) and full permission for roads, pathways, Public Open Space, associated landscaping, lighting and drainage.

HAPC: Refusal

- ii **Axe & Compass, High Street – 1401175FUL** – Erection of outbuilding for food and beverage preparation.

HAPC: No observations for or against

- iii **Fairways Lodge, Cambridge Road – 15/01563/FUL** – Change of Use of golf course to National Centre for Great War (NCGW), revised access arrangements, provision of a car park and coach park, erection of buildings for museum (replica training camp), erection of fishing lake/balancing pond and internal watercourse, excavation for replica trenches, erection of earth bunds, laying of track for narrow gauge railway, creation of memorial garden, erection of trenches for use as film set.

HAPC: Refusal

- iv **Royal Oak Corner, High Street – 16/00176/TREE** – All Willows to be pollarded to 6-8m, remove all Leylandii, fell all Poplars that are more than 5m from boundary, T1: Beech tree – fell, T2-Thorn – fell, T3- Horse-chestnut – fell and h other works.

HAPC: Refusal

- v **Selwyn Cottage, Rideaway – 16/00358/TRCA** – Remove a Scots Pine.

HAPC: No observations for or against.

- vi **6 Rideaway Drive – 16/00782/TRCA** – Removal of a Monkey Puzzle tree.

HAPC: No observations for or against.

Applications Withdrawn

- i **13 Common Lane – 16/00942/HHFUL**– Erection of Outbuilding for Incidental Use (Swimming Pool)

HAPC: Refusal.

d New Applications

- i **36 High Street– 16/00988/HHFUL** – Loft conversion and alterations to roof pitches to rear of property including forming of gable on rear elevation.

After discussion it was **RESOLVED** to make no observations for or against.

- ii **6A Common Lane – 16/01073/HHFUL** - Amendment to position of glazed link to approved pool extension by Anthony Rickett Architects, planning ref 1301337 REP, dated 8 October 2013, due to position of air conditioning units, to existing house.

After discussion it was **RESOLVED** to make no observations for or against.

- iii **20 Common Lane – 16/01223/TRCA** – Removal of a Damson Tree and small Birch Tree

After discussion it was **RESOLVED** to make no observations for or against.

- iv **Southview, Rideaway – 16/01178/TRCA** – Cypress tree: fell and remove.

After discussion it was **RESOLVED** to make no observations for or against.

40 Correspondence

The following correspondence was noted as received

a Email: LGBC – Electoral Review of Cambridgeshire: New Draft Recommendations

b Email: CCC Bulletins

c Email: A14 Improvement Scheme Bulletins

d Email: Hunts Forum Newsletters/Bulletins

e Email: CCC – Parish News

f Email: CCC – Cambridgeshire Highways Depot Open Days

- g** Email: HMPF – Meeting Minutes
- h** Email: Cambridge ACRE Newsletter
- i** Email: 90 Years of CPRE: Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow – 6th July 2016
- j** Email: LCPAS – Training Events
- k** Email: Godmanchester Town Council – Mayor Making – 9th October 2016
- m** Email: Very Cool Events - Tour of Cambridgeshire 2016
- n** Email: Co-option Applications
- o** Email: Network Rail – Anglia Level Crossing Consultation
- p** Email: CCC - Rights of Way Improvement Plan
- q** Email: HDC - Street Naming & Numbering Notifications
- r** Email: Hunts Forum June Newsletter
- s** Email: CCC - New Local Highway Officer
- t** Email: HDC – Response from J Jaarsma – TPO's etc
- u** Email: Environment Agency – Regatta Field temporary fence

41 Publications Received
None received

42 Matters for Future Consideration

Meeting closed at 08:36 pm