HORRINGER-cum-ICKWORTH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE COMMUNITY CENTRE, HORRINGER ON MONDAY 16th DECEMBER 2013

Present: Cllrs C Knight (Chairman), J White, P Fuller, J Cannon, J Dearsley, Mrs R Walker

& Mrs P Davison. C Cllr/B Cllr T Clements (arrived 7.59 p.m.)

Apologies: Mrs P Cook (Community Council), Police

PUBLIC FORUM - no matters raised

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST - None

DISPENSATIONS - None

MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD 18th November 2013

It was resolved that the minutes be approved as a true and accurate record and signed accordingly. Proposed by Cllr Mrs. Walker, seconded by Cllr Knight – all in favour

SUMMARY OF MINUTES FOR 18th NOVEMBER 2013

It was resolved that the summary was an accurate record and signed accordingly. Proposed by Cllr Knight, seconded by Cllr Mrs Walker – all in favour.

The meeting recessed for the next item.

REPORTS

Police – There have been no crimes in the village since the last meeting. A breakdown on speeding checks in the area was submitted.

Community Council – The DIY SOS went very well and we had many people turn up with a variety of skills and a lot was achieved- decorating/cleaning/fixing etc. Village supper: Friday 20th December. We may have an editor for the Horringer diary- but will keep you posted. We need people to run events next year......!

The meeting re-convened.

Play Area - monthly report submitted – and all in order.

Chairman's report – nothing to report.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following applications were considered and supported by Councillors:-

DC/13/0542/TCVA Charlotte Cottage, The Street: i)T1 & T – 2no. Acer Raise crowns to 3

metres and ii) T3,T4 & T3 – 3 no. Cherry and T6 Holly – reduce height by

one third.

FUTURE PLANNING APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Various options were discussed but no firm decision reached.

FINANCE

548 **Signatories:** ongoing

Precept 2014/2015: Papers were circulated prior to the meeting and following a brief discussion considering the requirements for next year it was proposed by Cllr Knight to precept for £22,190. Seconded by Cllr Cannon – all in favour.

- **Grant Policy:** Amendments had been made and councillors agreed the document should now be sent to SALC for any additional comments.
- 557 **Closure of Bank Account:** forms countersigned and documents have been sent to the bank for closure and the transfer of funds to the current account.
- **Cheques:** It was proposed by Cllr Knight, seconded by Cllr White that the following cheques be issued all in favour.

<u>Chqs</u>		
1526	J Dearsley (materials)	£ 63.83
1527	Litter Picker (Nov)	£ 126.20
1528	Clerk (expenses)	£ 32.63
1529	Stuart Bradnam (play area trees)	£ 485.00
1530	Post Office (1/4ly PAYE tax)	£ 156.60
S/O	Personnel (December)	£ 231.75

Income £350.00 (rent Nov/Dec) Current account: £6,924.32

External Audit: Conclusion of audit notice displayed.

FOOTPATH ACCESS QUERY (LOW WAY)

Suffolk County Council have agreed to include this footpath in their cutting programme for 2014. However the insurers have advised they are adverse to councillors undertaking this work on a private basis.

CORRESPONDENCE

Various brochures for circulation.

SEBC grass cutting – clerk to ask for scheduled cutting programme.

Suffolk Wildlife -circulate.

Damage to Bus Shelter – Suffolk ACRE has been advised and contact is to be made to the insurers direct to speed up the process. Cllr Fuller meanwhile has handed over to the Clerk the estimates for the work.

MAINTENANCE IN THE VILLAGE

- 1. Footpaths- Bench Oak/Bury St Edmunds: Savills have confirmed they are agreeable to the project. Signage etc needs to be arranged.
- **2. BT kiosk**: although the kiosk was tilting the internal light was working. Clerk to contact BT and query current agreement arrangements.
- **3. White Lines Westley Lane:** C Cllr Clements agreed the work was sub standard and would take this up with Highways.
- **4. Tree Survey:** SEBC to provide information on the TPO's listed on the land owned by the parish council Community Centre, Meadow Drive, Play Area and village green.
- **5.** Community Council gating matter: Draft letter has been drawn up and send to the Chairman of the Community Centre for agreement and once agreed will be sent via Recorded Delivery to the villager.
- **6. Upgrade of Play area:** clerk to respond to applicants that the council is considering improvements in the near future but felt village organisations should contribute towards any such funding.

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DATE OF NEXT MEETING - 20 th January 2014.	
There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.40 p.m.	

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