

**HORRINGER-cum-ICKWORTH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN  
THE COMMUNITY CENTRE, HORRINGER ON MONDAY 17<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2014**

Present: Cllrs C Knight (Chairman), J White, P Fuller, J Cannon, J Dearsley, Mrs R Walker (arrived 8.15 p.m.) & Mrs P Davison. C Cllr/B Cllr T Clements (arrived 7.40 p.m.)  
Police (arrived 8.04 p.m.)

Apologies: Mrs P Cook (Community Council).

<u>PUBLIC FORUM</u> - No matters raised
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DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST - None

DISPENSATIONS - None

MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD 20<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2014

Subject to the minutes being amended, it was resolved that the minutes be approved as a true and accurate record and signed accordingly. Proposed by Cllr White, seconded by Cllr Knight – all in favour by those who were present at the meeting.

SUMMARY OF MINUTES FOR 20<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2014

With amendments it was resolved that the summary was an accurate record and signed accordingly. Proposed by Cllr Knight, seconded by Cllr Cannon – all in favour.

The meeting recessed for the next item.

REPORTS

**C Cllr/B Cllr Clements** – report covering extra broadband funding for Suffolk; tax freeze pledge; cabinet support to change to two-tier education; apprenticeship funding from employers and residents set to receive new travel bus passes. (attached)

Discussion also on camber of bend and possibility of Highways (Guy Smith) being asked to change and improve. Additionally the drains in Westley Lane have been checked.

The Bury Festival dates are being extended. C Cllr Clements left the meeting at 7.55 p.m.

**Community Council** – still looking for a booking secretary ASAP; need volunteers to organise fete /bonfire- see latest diary as this has all we need!

**Police** – the parish council did not meet in February so the police report from that month is attached. Their report for the current meeting is also attached. It was noted that there were no crimes of interest in the parish since January. The police left the meeting at 8.24 p.m.

The meeting re-convened.

**Play Area** - monthly report submitted – need two new children swing seats, chains o.,k. but might possibly need shackles. Generally tidied up.

**Chairman's report** – Lord Bristol has suggested the parish council entered into a more formal agreement in respect of the village green which was currently maintained by the council under a casual arrangement. Councillors felt that if this was to be agreed the village green should be owned by the council. Cllr White agreed to draft a suitable letter of response.

Parking outside old post office – Lord Bristol had queried the legitimate parking by householders

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from the post office to The Street. Clerk to provide Chairman with details of relevant properties.

#### PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following applications were considered and supported by Councillors:-

**DC/14/0142/HH 3 The Chestnuts:** Erection of 1<sup>st</sup> floor extension over existing garage

**DC/13/0909/FUL 1-9 & 11 Godfreys Close:** Installation of air source heat pumps

**DC/14/0234/TPO 12 Sharps Green:** i) fell one beech tree ii) remove south west limb and reduce crown by 25% to one silver birch tree

**TPO0291 18 Orchard Way:** Fell two field maple trees

#### FINANCE

563 **Cheques:** It was proposed by Cllr Knight, seconded by Cllr Cannon that the following cheques be issued – all in favour.

<u>Chqs</u>		
1536	Sarah Place (a/cs service)	£ 24.90
1537	J Cannon (stationery)	£ 10.99
1538	B Crouch (Litter January)	£126.20
1539	B Crouch (Litter February)	£126.20
1540	Clerk (expenses)	£ 34.98
S/O	Personnel (February/March)	£ 421.74

Current Account £8,193.84      Income£350.00 (rent February/March)

#### BRISTOL ESTATES

Discussed under Chairman's report.

#### BT SKETCH

Cllr Fuller had received quotes for the work and removal of the trees. Prices provided were for either with or without removal of the two trees. Since the land belonged to Lord Bristol, the Clerk was asked to clarify with SALC what power the council could use for this project. County Cllr Clements to be asked if he could award any money from possibly a safety aspect. Cllr Fuller agreed to contact the National Trust to see if they could assist with the tree work.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

Various brochures for circulation.

#### MAINTENANCE IN THE VILLAGE

- 1. Footpaths- Bench Oak/Bury St Edmunds:** Ongoing discussion with Cllr White and the Borough Councillor.
- 2. BT kiosk:** BT had been contacted and had advised it was the responsibility of the Council to undertake any work necessary.
- 3. Tree Survey:** Cllr Mrs Davison to ask SEBC for more detailed information.
- 4. Community Council gating matter:** Cllr White to draft letter to the villager again explaining the Council's position and that non compliance with the Council's request would result in the offer of a formal licence being withdrawn. Clerk to send via Recorded Delivery.
- 5. Upgrade of Play area:** Cllr Dearsley advised that new swings were needed.

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DATE OF NEXT MEETING - Annual Parish Meeting 30<sup>th</sup> April 2014

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.40 p.m.

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