

**HORRINGER-cum-ICKWORTH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE  
COMMUNITY CENTRE, HORRINGER ON MONDAY 15<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2015**

Present: Cllrs C Knight (Chairman), Mrs R Walker, J White, P Crofts, P Fuller & Mrs M Bottomley (Clerk). C Cllr T Clements  
1 villager

Apologies: None

**PUBLIC FORUM** -

Problem with Broadband - College Close. C Cllr Clements agreed to check this problem.

**CO-OPTION**

Due to personal circumstances Mr Dearsley had been unable to attend the June meeting and the Clerk had advised him that his nomination as a councillor at the recent elections had been cancelled. There were currently two vacancies on the council and these now had to be advertised to enable the council to co-opt any applicant. The Clerk to write to Mr Dearsley explaining the situation and express the hope he would apply to be co-opted instead.

**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** - none

**DISPENSATIONS** - none

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD 18<sup>th</sup> MAY 2015**

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

**SUMMARY OF MINUTES FOR 18<sup>th</sup> MAY 2015**

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

**REPORTS**

**Borough/County report** - C Cllr Clements reported that he was now assistant portfolio on the health side – covering sport etc. On the Borough side he was covering devolution and funding and explained in detail what was involved. He has committed money from his Highways budget in respect of the cycle route to Bury. This was to help with legal fees to get this project to move forward. Currently the scheme was finding favour with County. General discussion followed covering the broadband problem.

**Community Council** – they have been successful in their bid to Suffolk County Council who have decided to award a grant of up to £5k towards the energy efficiency works. News of other bids awaited. A volunteers gardening day is being held on Friday 19th June from 9.15 a.m. The aim is to cut hedges and clear weeds etc from around the community centre. All were welcome.

**Police** – there had been no crimes since the last meeting. The Horringer CSW team have conducted 3 speed checks resulting in 49 warning letters being sent. Full report attached.

**Play area report** – submitted. Clerk to ask SEBC to cut the overgrown grass next to the fencing. Also to request S Bradnam to ground out the base of the tree recently removed in Meadow Drive.

**Chairman's report** – received an email regarding dog fouling in certain areas. Unfortunately not much could be done – some dog owners were just ignoring using the numerous dog bins made available in the village. However he would mention problem again in the newsletter.

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Noted that Ickworth Trust has banned all dogs off the lead.

New tenant needed for the Post Office. Clerk to send updated invoices to current tenant and advise requirement necessary when vacating at the end of July. The Council has not had any new tenant enquiry as yet and will need to advertise.

Parish Plan - put information and requirements on the website and discuss further at the July meeting.

### STREET LIGHTING

C Cllr Clements, Cllr Fuller and Adrian Last met on the 2<sup>nd</sup> June to discuss problems with the light on the Hornings Park development. If the light was brought up to standard, SCC would take over ownership as the street lights were part of the planning development for Hornings Park. Clerk to contact SEBC and ask for the address of the developer and then contact him.

### PLANNING

The following applications were considered by councillors:-

**1071/15**      **Sharpes Farm Barn, Sharps Lane:** (i) proposed 1½ storey garage wing (ii) new porch .

PC comment: Support (proposed by Cllr Fuller, seconded by Cllr White – all in favour).

**0999/15**      **10 Holly Close:** 4no.Sycamore trees remove branches (1,2,3 &4 on plan within area A2 of order) to height of eight metres, to remove branches that overhand the garden and house of 10 Holly Close.

PC Comment: Support (proposed by Cllr Fuller, seconded by Cllr White – all in favour).

**71095/15**      **7 Holly Close:** Porch to front of dwelling.

PC comment: Support (proposed by Cllr Fuller seconded by Cllr Knight – all in favour)

**1112/15**      **8 The Limes:** (i) two storey side and rear extension and (ii) single storey rear extension (following demolition of existing conservatory)

PC comment: Support (proposed by Cllr Fuller seconded by Cllr Mrs Walker – all in favour).

### FINANCE

586      **Accounts 2014/2015:** circulated to all councillors and unanimously approved.

587      **Annual Return/Governance:** Approved and signed by the Chairman – all Councillors in favour.

588      **Auditor 2016/2017:** councillors unanimously agreed for SALC to continue

589      **Review signatories:** Clerk to contact bank to remove J Cannon

590      **Standing/Finance Orders:** Finance no change and Standing Orders amended .

591      **Risk Assessment:** Defer until June

592      **Cheques:** It was proposed by Cllr White, seconded by Cllr Knight that the following cheques be issued – all in favour:-

Chqs		
800	Horringer WI	£ 20.00
801	Horringer PCC	£1,000.00
802	Community Council	£1,000.00
803	Cancelled	
804	Community Action	£ 30.00

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805	Litter Contractor	£ 130.00
806	Clerk	£ 53.93
807	Bradnam Tree service	£ 120.00
808	Ickworth Primary School	£1,000.00
S/O	Personnel (June)	£ 256.52

#### ACCESS BY VILLAGER ACROSS COMMUNITY CENTRE

Letter received from the villager's legal representative and circulated to all councillors. Discussion took place and Cllr White agreed to draft a suitable response for the Clerk to send to DAS Law.

#### VILLAGE MAINTENANCE

- a) Notice Board** Cllr Fuller had kindly cleaned the board.
- b) Bus shelters** Defer to next meeting
- c) Sale of Speed stickers** Whepstead had expressed an interest in purchasing some stickers but they had not yet advised how many were required. Stonham Parva would also like to purchase 50 stickers.  
The meeting agreed for stickers to be set aside for these two councils.  
Clerk to invoice as necessary.
- d) Tree removal** Tree located at the top of Meadow Drive had been removed but councillors agreed the roots should also be ground out. Clerk to contact contractor.
- e) Path/Six Bells** Following a request from a villager, the path had now been cut back and the weeds sprayed. Cllr Fuller agreed to obtain estimates for the path to be improved – tarmac/paving etc.
- f) BT footpath** It had been arranged for contractors to come out and reinstate a section of the path. However they did not come as arranged but Cllr Fuller was continuing to liaise with them.  
  
Clerk to notify the insurers.
- g) Overgrown hedge** Clerk to write to the owner in The Beeches and request hedge is cut back.  
  
Same action to be taken in respect of owner in The Chestnuts.
- h) Phone Box** Believed to be listed. SEBC to be contacted for permission to remove it. However it was pointed out that villagers rely on the light at night to walk along the path.
- i) The Beehive** Legal Department SEBC have advised this is now registered as an Asset of Community value.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

Note from Community Council regarding general repairs. Tabled

DATE OF NEXT MEETING - 20<sup>th</sup> July 2015.

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