# HORRINGER-cum-ICKWORTH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE COMMUNITY CENTRE, HORRINGER ON MONDAY 20th JULY 2015

Present: Cllrs C Knight (Chairman), Mrs R Walker, J White, P Crofts, P Fuller & Mrs M

Bottomley (Clerk).

5 villagers

Apologies: C Cllr T Clements & Police

<u>PUBLIC FORUM</u> - Updating that so far 50 villagers have signed for a designated area for play equipment for older youngsters. Parish Council supports the project which would require match funding/grants. Cllr Mrs Walker agreed to attend any meetings being held. Horringer Diary item asking villagers to suggest what equipment was wanted.

Discussion on proposed planning application by Lord Bristol – Hill Cottages.

## DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr White - Item 11 Planning

Cllr Croft - Item 8 Community Council

#### **CO-OPTION**

An application by J Dearsley was discussed and Cllr Knight proposed accepting him onto the Council. Seconded by Cllr Croft – all in favour. Declaration of Acceptance was duly signed and Clr Dearsley was invited to join the parish council.

## **DISPENSATIONS** - none

## MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD 15th JUNE 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 15th JUNE 2015

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

## REPRESENTATIVE FOR PLAY AREA

Cllr Dearsley - proposed by Cllr Knight, seconded by Cllr Fuller. All in favour.

#### **REPORTS**

**County report** - the County report was circulated to all councillors covering refinancing proposal for Suffolk's Energy from Waste facility; changes to garden waste collection policy; new academy sponsor proposed and Are you a private foster carer?

**Update on St Edmundsbury and the way forward**: report circulated and tabled covering what St Edmundsbury is doing; major priorities – economic development, families and communities and housing; Eastern BSE development; Secondary school; Funding; challenges & Crucial crew.

**Community Council** – report tabled covering the energy efficiency works at the Community Council and funding; DIY gardening day; family fun night and the village fete.

**Police** – there have been no crimes since the last meeting. 10 speed check undertaken during the month – 9 verbal warnings and 7 written warnings being given. CSW team carried out 3 checks since the last meeting resulting in 28 warning letters being sent. New on burglaries, suspicious activity and

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staff changes. Information can be followed on twitter @StEdsPolice.

**Play area report** – submitted. SEBC have cut the overgrown grass next to the fencing. Some bolts have been tightened but it has been pointed out on the annual inspection and risk assessment that surface edges are in need of attention. SEBC to be contacted for information on suitable contractor to deal with the problem. Hazardous weeds to also be dealt with.

Chairman's report – Cllr Fuller continuing to liaise with contractor on the repairs to the play area footpath through to the street. Insurers to be notified. Deadline for the Horringer Diary is 7<sup>th</sup> August. Chase map for dog bin. New tenant needed for the Post Office. Signage for the green. Contact SEBC for update on Meadow Farm and send copy to County Councillor and Chairman. Clerk to check on insurance for litter picking. Cycle route – Cllrs Fuller, Dearsley and Chairman – circulate information to all. Clerk to type up Emergency Plan details.

#### STREET LIGHTING

Already discussed earlier.

#### PARISH PLAN

No response from villagers but a meeting was suggested and the Chairman to draw up and revamp/pick up relevant points for consideration.

## **PLANNING**

The following applications were considered by councillors:-

# 1277/15 Manor Grove, Manor Lane: Single storey extension.

<u>PC comment</u>: Support (proposed by Cllr Fuller, seconded by Cllr Mrs Walker – all in favour.

## **FINANCE**

- **Risk Assessment:** Cllr Dearsley to undertake assessment.
- 593 **Cheques:** It was proposed by Cllr Knight, seconded by Cllr Fuller that the following cheques be issued all in favour:-

Chqs		
1001586	Post Office (tax)	£192.20
1001587	Litter Picker	£130.00
1001588	Clerk (expenses)	£122.20
1001589	S Bradnam (grinding out stump)	£ 75.00
1001590	ICO (data)	£ 35.00
1001591	SALC (training)	£ 30.00
S/O	Personnel (July)	£256.52

## ACCESS BY VILLAGER ACROSS COMMUNITY CENTRE

No response to date.

#### VILLAGE MAINTENANCE

a) Bus shelters	Cllr Dearsley agreed to check shelters against the Risk Assessment
	being undertaken.

**b) Sale of Speed stickers** Stonham Parva to be invoiced for 50 speed stickers. No response yet

Stonham Parva to be invoiced for 50 speed stickers. No response yet from Whepstead PC.

c) **Tree removal** Contractor has now ground out the roots of the tree removed from the

top of Meadow Drive.

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d) Path/Six Bells

Three quotes received and Anglia Block paving at £4,460 was agreed. (proposed by Cllr Knight, seconded by Cllr Dearsley – all in favour). County Councillor to receive a copy of the accepted invoice and council to wait to hear funding details. The other quotes were:-

Welham Surfacing £2,417 Garrod Construction £5,785

e) Annual Parish Walk

Will take place on 13th September 2015.

f) Japanese Knotweed

Understand this is now a legal requirement for plant to be removed Clerk to contact SEBC about this.

g) BT phone box

Volunteers required to refurbish phone box. Cllrs Crofts & Dearsley kindly offered their services.

h) Grit Bin

Cllr Dearsley to inspect proposed site is suitable and resident agreeable to the bin being located there.

i) The Beehive

Meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> July to consider support and way forward. Parish Council has been asked to write to owners expressing concern at the overgrown state of grass etc.

# **CORRESPONDENCE**

Brochures circulated

## **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

21st September 2015.

Apologies from Cllr Fuller for the September meeting

The Chairman thanked all for attending and closed the meeting at 10.10 p.m.