

**HORRINGER-cum-ICKWORTH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE
COMMUNITY CENTRE, HORRINGER ON MONDAY 18th JULY 2016**

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

Apologies: Cllr J Dearsley

<u>PUBLIC FORUM</u> - no matters raised

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr J White	-	Item 9 Planning
Cllr P Crofts	-	Item 9 Planning

DISPENSATIONS - None

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD 20th JUNE 2016

Following a brief discussion regarding the item on the Beehive sign, it was resolved that with the following amendment:-

3rd line wording changed from “planning permission” to “advertisement consent”

the minutes be approved as a true and accurate record and signed accordingly. Proposed by Cllr White, seconded by Cllr Mrs Walker – 4 councillors in favour, 1 abstention.

SUMMARY OF MINUTES FOR 20th JUNE 2016

With amendments as per the minutes, it was resolved that the summary was an accurate record and signed accordingly. Proposed by Cllr White, seconded by Cllr Mrs Walker. 4 councillors in favour, 1 abstention.

The meeting recessed for the next item.

REPORTS

County /Borough report - report circulated covering the Devolution update; proposed new heritage centre for SCC; £10 million of road surfacing work taking place during spring and summer and the extended weekend hours at Suffolk’s household waste recycling centres; Locality fund information for SCC and the Borough. Cllr Clements then left the meeting at 7.45 p.m.

Community Council – nothing to report.

The meeting reconvened.

Play area report – nothing to report.

Chairman’s report – nothing to report.

PARISH COUNCIL TRUSTEE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Cllr White advised councillors that the parish council should appoint a trustee to the CC under the existing terms as mentioned at the June meeting. Following a brief discussion Cllr Fuller agreed to be the representative. Members also unanimously agreed that Cllr Fuller would be able to claim any reasonable expenses incurred when attending as a trustee.

SIGNAGE/SPEED for WESTLEY LANE

In a response from N Panting, SCC, Highways had stated that following the additional bend signs and

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high friction surfacing laid some time ago – and which seemed to have been successful in removing accidents - there did not seem to be any other feasible or appropriate actions that could be taken at this location. Clerk to advise Mr Thaxter of their comments and to thank him for his offer to fund any additional improvements.

PLANNING

The following applications were considered by councillors:-

- DC/16/1148/LB** **Anne Corders Cottage, The Street:** replacement of rear door, frame and hardwood sill.
PC comment: support
- DC/16/1390/TCA** **National Trust:** fell 1 Sycamore
PC comment: support
- DC/16/1416/TPO** **The Rectory:** crown lift no. of trees
PC comment: the proposals detailed are incorrect and application should therefore be withdrawn.

Planning application DC/16/1027/FUL –Meadow Farm, Sharp’s Lane: meeting discussed copy letter sent to SEBC Planning by Mr Byers. He objected to this planning application – which the council did not. He expressed concern over the level of noise as an environmental health matter. Councillors felt that SEBC Environmental Health needed to clarify whether they are looking into this properly and to advise what is being done about the problem. Councillors unanimously agreed a letter should be written asking what action they are taking.

FINANCE

- 610 **Review signatories:** NatWest confirmed that the customer information form still needed to be completed by councillors.
- 613 **Risk Assessment:** defer to September meeting.
- 615 **Emergency Plan:** Cllr White to check information and circulate when completed.
- 616 **Audit report 2015/2016:** defer to September meeting. Copy to be emailed to the Chairman.
- 617 **Code of Conduct:** amendment agreed – proposed by Cllr Crofts, seconded by Cllr White – all in favour.
- 618 **Cheques:** It was proposed by Cllr Knight, seconded by Cllr White that the following cheques be issued. All in favour:-

Chqs

1640	Clerk (expenses)	£ 29.68
1641	Litter Picker	£144.00
1642	McGregor (grass cuts)	£228.00
1643	Post Office (tax)	£192.20
1644	S Place (services)	£ 30.00
1645	Haughley PC (1/5 th book)	£ 14.72
1646	Haughley PC (cartridge)	£ 49.43
S/O	Personnel (July)	£256.52

Current A/c £ 40,306.30 (income £1,089.56) Reserve A/c £9,533.42.

VILLAGE MAINTENANCE

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- a) **Public footpaths** Cllr Fuller obtaining quotes to cut certain areas in the village which were not being cut regularly by SCC. McGregors had quoted £80 plus VAT to undertake work as a one off. SCC to be advised the areas being cut by the parish council. (Junction Westley Lane up to Great Horringer Hall & The Low Way). Work to proceed - proposed by Cllr Fuller seconded by Cllr White – all in favour.
- b) **Overgrown hedge** The villager had been contacted again and had promised to deal with the overgrown hedge.
- c) **Annual Walk** 10th September at 2 p.m. on The Green.
- d) **Dog Bin at Brick Kiln** Clerk to chase for a response
- e) **Repair of village sign** Contractor unable to carry out any remedial work. Enquiries continuing
- f) **Draft Lease** Negotiations ongoing
- g) **Grit Bin** SCC to be chased
- h) **Ditch problem** Already dealt with
- i) **Village Green** McGregors requested to tidy up base of large tree
Stuart Bradnam to meet with Cllr Fuller to discuss further tree work on the Green.

WEBSITE

The meeting was advised that Mrs L Fuller had reviewed the current site and the software and reported her findings. Cllrs Mrs Walker & Fuller to contact villager who might be interested in working the site.

CORRESPONDENCE

Member of the public had complained about the state of work being undertaken by the Borough – removing trees and leaving a lot of debris in Hawthorn Drive and Sharps Green. Cllr Fuller had also written to SEBC, and the Tree Officer had responded stating the Borough had in excess of 30,000 trees to maintain in West Suffolk on a four yearly review. The officer advised the trees were a risk in some way but he did state they would be back later to stump grind them. Suggest contacting Cllr Clements on the matter.

Friends of Holly Close Playpark: Grant application form received. Total Cost £35,000 with a request for the parish council to commit the sum of £5,000 as a contribution. Circulate form to all councillors, acknowledge the application and ask them along to the next meeting to provide a 10 minute presentation.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING - 19th September 2016.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.40 p.m.

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