

**HORRINGER-cum-ICKWORTH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE  
COMMUNITY CENTRE, HORRINGER ON MONDAY 16<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2017**

Present: Cllrs C Knight (Chairman), J White, P Crofts, J Dearsley, P Fuller  
Mrs M Bottomley (Clerk).  
3 villagers

Apologies: Cllr Mrs R Walker & C Cllr T Clements

**PUBLIC FORUM**

Speed survey for Westley Road discussed with response from SCC insufficient for any action to be taken. Damage to bollard on Village Green. Agreement by Council for WI to place bench on the Village Green

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST - None

DISPENSATIONS - None

**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD 19<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2016**

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.

**SUMMARY OF MINUTES FOR 19<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2016**

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

The meeting recessed for the next item.

**REPORTS**

**County /Borough report** – no report

**Community Council** – nothing to report.

The meeting reconvened.

**Play area report** – area checked and monthly report submitted. The equipment will be cleaned/washed in the Spring.

**Tree Report** – contractor to be asked when the work will commence on the Village Green.

**Chairman's report** – Clerk to chase for a response from Highways in respect of the fencing adjacent to the Pond. Clerk to contact Havebury for further information requested previously regarding the possible purchase of the pond.

A complaint received over parking at the school and leaves on the paths. Meeting being organised with the school shortly. Clerk to respond to the Chairman of NH Watch and additionally the police requesting them to monitor the parking problem and visit the school.

Contractor has been in touch concerning the refurbishment of the phone box and the Chairman is to meet with K. Chapman to discuss further. Meeting noted the e-mail from a villager complaining about the current state of the phone box due to vandalism.

E-mail from the Chairman regarding cars parked on the green during the recent church event – Chairman agreed to contact Lord Bristol on the matter.

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Error on the meeting dates for 2017. Change of dates duly agreed with the April meeting being altered to the 24<sup>th</sup>. The APM and APC meeting now rescheduled for 15<sup>th</sup> May and confirmed with the Booking Officer at the Community Centre.

The damaged drain at the entrance to Ickworth National Trust was reported but SCC Highways had responded that whilst it would be dealt with, it was not considered urgent.

#### THE POND

Nothing to report – waiting for further information from Havebury. Clerk to chase.

#### PLANNING

The following application was considered by councillors:-

**DC/16/2572/HH**      **2 The Beeches:** 1No. window to front elevation.  
PC comment: no objection (proposed by Cllr White, seconded by Cllr Fuller – all in favour)

Approvals by SEBC:

**DC/16/2586/TCA**      **Community Centre, The Street:** (i) 1no. Lime, 4no. Oak, 2no. Horse Chestnut, 1no. Sweet Chestnut, 1no. Walnut and 1no. Beech raise crowns to 3 metres (ii) 1no. Oak fell.

**DC/16/2481/TA**      **Manor Lodge, Bury Road:** (i) 1no Oak reduce in height by 5 metres (ii) Sycamore reduce in height by 4.5 metres (iii) 1no. Holm Oak raise crown to 3.5 metres (iv) group of sycamore, Ash, Hazel & Holly Bush raise crowns to 4 metres where overhanging highway

**DC/16/2263/FUL**      **Little Horsecroft Barn, Horsecroft Road:** change of use of redundant barn to 1 dwelling including alterations, widening of entrance and landscaping.

**DC/16/2264/LB**      **Little Horsecroft Barn, Horsecroft Road:** Internal & external alterations to allow conversion of barn into dwelling including the reconstruction of the single storey wings.

**DC/16/2255/TCA**      **The Walled Gardens, Manor Lane:** 1no. Beech – fell

#### FINANCE

621      **Precept 2017/2018:** revised draft circulated to all councillors. The meeting agreed a final precept figure of £25,975. Proposed by Cllr White, seconded by Cllr Knight – all in favour.

625      **Unpresented cheque:** Cheque No.1627 for £30.00 has been cancelled and the WI confirmed there was no requirement to re-issue a further cheque as they had already received a subsequent payment.

627      **Cheques:** It was proposed by Cllr Knight, seconded by Cllr White that the following cheques be issued. All in favour:-

#### Chqs

1682	Litter Picker (December)	£ 144.00
1683	Haughley PC (Imaging drum 1/5 <sup>th</sup> )	£ 12.87
1684	Clerk (expenses)	£ 35.83
1685	Birketts LLP (Lease)	£ 100.00 <sup>s124</sup>
1686	Land Registry (strip.Land)	£ 40.00 <sup>s124</sup>
S/O	Personnel (January)	£ 225.95
	Current A/c £ 30,894.71 Reserve A/c £9,533.42.	

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Internal Control template completed.  
Receipts & Payments summary circulated

#### VILLAGE MAINTENANCE

**a) Dog Bin at Brick Kiln**

Due to be installed however there had been a query from the nearby property. Cllrs Fuller and Dearsley to contact and speak with the villager.

**b) Old Post Office repairs**

Clerk had contacted Proflat who had inspected the leaking roof. Because of the special composition of the roof they had recommended Saxham Ltd. Clerk to contact the firm and liaise between tenant and Saxham Ltd. to inspect and provide estimate of work needed to undertake the necessary repairs.

**c) Repair of village sign**

Clerk to make enquiries with SEBC for list of thatchers.

**d) Phone box – ongoing.**

#### BROADBAND OPTIONS

A meeting date had been set aside for the 12<sup>th</sup> January. Councillors agreed to meet informally at 7.30 p.m. at The Beehive along with B Stokes . Clerk to advise Mr Davey.

#### FREEHOLD STATUS WITH COMMUNITY CENTRE / STRIP OF LAND

Matter in final stages.

#### EMERGENCY PLAN

Amendments, alterations and additions to be completed by Clerk for the February meeting.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

McGregor quoting same price for grass cutting for 2017 – approval proposed by Cllr Knight, seconded by Cllr White – all in favour. Clerk to confirm.

Bench – councillors agreed support for WI to install in 2018. Clerk to confirm.

Community Management Meeting – Cllr Fuller attended and provided an update covering St John's First Aid Course /CCTV for the Community Centre / notice board for display at the CC.

National Trust contacted to arrange a talk on their work to date – possibly at the APM? Response awaited.

Cllr Dearsley had completed the Risk Assessment – Clerk to make relevant amendments for signature at the February meeting.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING - 20<sup>th</sup> February 2017.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 10.15 p.m.

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