

**HORRINGER-cum-ICKWORTH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE  
COMMUNITY CENTRE, HORRINGER ON MONDAY 20<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2017**

Present: Cllrs C Knight (Chairman), J White, P Crofts, J Dearsley, P Fuller, Mrs R Walker.  
C Cllr T Clements. Mrs M Bottomley (Clerk).  
Ms K Soons (SCC Conservative candidate) & 3 villagers

Apologies: None

**PUBLIC FORUM**

Issues regarding the recent speed survey and excessive speeding raised by villager and this was now being referred to the police.

Additionally more information provided regarding The Pond, College Close and surface water problems.

Ms Soons was present at the meeting as an observer.

**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cllr Mrs R Walker - Item 8 Planning

**DISPENSATIONS** - None

**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD 16<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2017**

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

The meeting noted that the head teacher of Ickworth Primary school would be putting an article in the Horringer Diary regarding the problem of car parking outside the school. Leaves on the footpaths was not a parish council matter.

**SUMMARY OF MINUTES FOR 16<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2017**

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** – confirmed he would be continuing as a Borough Councillor but standing down as a County Councillor in the forthcoming elections in May. The January roundup report had been circulated to all councillors prior to the meeting.

**Community Council** – report circulated covering maintenance; equipment; first aid course 31<sup>st</sup> March ; Policies and the website.

Councillors agreed that the Community Council should organise the external maintenance of the roof but liaise with Cllr Dearsley in respect of the Post Office section.

The meeting reconvened.

**Play area report** – area checked and monthly report submitted. The benches and tables will need treating soon. The block paving path towards the phone box also needs cleaning up. Cllr Dearsley will make enquiries regarding a new “fun” litter bin. The goal posts have been re-instated.

**Tree Report** – contractor will be undertaking the work on the Green shortly.

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**Chairman's report** – Clerk to advise B Cllr Clements details of the fencing adjacent to the pond. The refreshments for the Annual Parish Meeting on 15<sup>th</sup> May have been arranged by Cllr Dearsley. Clerk to check up to date account with the tenant of the Post Office. Clerk to contact the Chairman of NH Watch and additionally the police requesting them to monitor the parking problem and visit the school.

Risk Assessment completed and the final copy signed.

#### PLANNING

The following applications were considered by councillors:-

- 0062/17 Ashdown Cottage, The Street:** (i) 1no.Lime raise crown to 2.5m (ii) 1no Ash and 1no.Cherry reduce height to previous cutting points  
PC comment: no objection (proposed by Cllr Fuller, seconded by Cllr Whiter – all in favour.
- 0001/17LB Street Farmhouse:** internal alterations to convert existing bedroom into an en-suite bathroom for the main bedroom.  
PC comment: no objection (proposed by Cllr Crofts, seconded by Cllr Fuller – all in favour.
- 0170/17TCA Anne Corders Cottage:** (i) T1Spruce – remove (ii) T2 Spruce – remove overhanging branch  
PC comment: no objection (proposed by Cllr Fuller, seconded by Cllr Mrs Walker – all in favour.

#### FINANCE

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

<u>Chqs</u>		
1687	Ickworth Primary School (grant)	£1,500.00 <sup>s145</sup>
1688	Graffiti Busters (bus shelter)	£ 648.00
1689	Litter Picker (January)	£ 144.00
1690	Clerk (expenses)	£ 52.85
1691	Cancelled	
1692	SEBC (plastic sacks)	£ 15.28
1693	Haughley PC (network day)	£ 3.20
1694	Haughley PC (IT repairs)	£ 10.00
S/O	Personnel (February)	£ 225.95

Current A/c £ 30,389.01 Reserve A/c £9,533.42.

Receipts & Payments summary circulated

#### VILLAGE MAINTENANCE

**a) Dog Bin at Brick Kiln**

Bin to be installed this month.

**b) Old Post Office repairs**

Saxham Ltd had inspected and reported on the leaking roof and following a brief discussion, councillors agreed that the Community Council should organise the external maintenance of the roof but liaise with Cllr Dearsley in respect of the Post Office section. Clerk to advise the Chairman of the Community Council.

**c) Repair of village sign**

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List of Thatchers obtained by the Clerk and passed to Cllrs Ms Walker and Dearsley to investigate further.

**d) Phone box – ongoing.**

BROADBAND OPTIONS

Broadband for Rural Norfolk’s proposal for the Community Centre to host equipment to make available super fast broadband for life for the village was favourably received by all councillors and following a brief discussion Cllr White proposed supporting the Community Council’s initiative. Seconded by Cllr Mrs Walker – all in favour.

The Council decided however not to pursue the additional suggestion for villagers to apply for super fast broadband.

FREEHOLD STATUS WITH COMMUNITY CENTRE / STRIP OF LAND

The Parish Council now has registered title and the lease is complete and in the process of registration.

EMERGENCY PLAN

The Plan had been circulated and there were a few further final amendments that needed to be made. Cllr Fuller to forward details to the Clerk.

CORRESPONDENCE

SALC/PCC proposed meetings (circulated 14.02.17)

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

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.50 p.m.

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