

**Horringer-cum-Ickworth Parish Council
Minutes of the Parish Meeting held on Monday 17th February 2020
In Horringer Community Centre**

Present: Cllr. Knight (Chairman), Cllr. Walker, Cllr. Crofts, Cllr White, Cllr Fuller
Cllr. Lewis and Cllr. Berry
Mrs. Michelle Thompson (Parish Clerk) took the minutes.

Cllr. Knight welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Democratic 1/4 Hour/ Public Question Time: from 7.30pm, residents are invited to give their views and question the Parish Council on issues on this agenda, or raise issues for future consideration, at the discretion of the Chairman before the start of the Parish Council meeting at 7.45 pm Members of the public may not take any further part in the meeting after this item has been discharged..

Items raised for discussion will appear on the agenda for the next meeting

ACTION

1.	Record Councillors' Apologies for Absence: None	
2.	Declarations of Interest: Cllr. White declared an interest in Section 6, and 7 Cllr. Walker declared section 7, and 8 Cllr Knight declared an interest in section 7	
3.	County Councillor's Report: Cllr. Karen Soons reported that she had been newly elected for Newmarket North (A14 – Tesco-Newmarket Hospital) as West Suffolk Councillor. This is in an addition to being our SCC Councillor too. This will enable her to work alongside Cllr. Clements giving her a wider knowledge. She informed the Council that in January there was a new permit scheme passed which gave the go ahead to reduce the number of delays on county's roads caused by roadworks. Companies wanting to do work on those roads will need to apply for a permit. It has enabled Suffolk County Council to either approve, refuse or amend their request, as they see fit. It's proved very successful elsewhere and reduced congestion. It's a non-profit making scheme and meant to assist in the management of road closures. Karen outlined that over the next six weeks would see work to repair "blockwork" and improve two crossing points in the Angel Square area. This £150,000 project is working with Bury St. Edmunds Town Council and West Suffolk Council to reduce the amount of disruption caused.	

Angel Hill and Crown Street are to be closed in two phases

First stage Honey Hill to Northgate Street and secondly Churchgate Street to the Athenaeum

We were made aware of the new Recycling Centre which is situated at Fornham and includes black bin waste.

Cllr. Fuller raised the issue to Cllr. Soons concerning problems around the Westley crossroad area in regard to the give-ways signs. The Council expressed their concerns over how poor the signs were and how the main sign at the top of the road had been destroyed. They told Cllr. Soons that this has been constantly reported to Highways.

Cllr. Crofts made Cllr. Soons aware that the letter sent regarding footpaths to Mark Ash, back in November 2019 but no response had been received. Cllr Soons did outline to the Council that there are certain criteria that need to be met when reporting issues such as this. Cllr. Crofts asked for it to be looked in to again.

Pot Holes are a constant issue and Cllr. Soons made the Council aware and explained to them about the different types of holes. Reporting them was encouraged.

(See Attached February Parish Newsletter for further information)

Borough Councillor's Report: Cllr. Clements reported to the Parish Council

The '*Civil Parking Act*' has now been passed, which means from April 2020 West Suffolk Council will take responsibility for Car Parking Enforcement.

This enables the Council to have its own powers in enforcing where people park and stopping them obstructing the road. This will also be the case in the surrounding villages. He also outlined the development plans for the Old Post Office and the walkway too.

He told the Council that they are looking at putting the Council tax up and putting money into Leisure Centres and other such developments.

Cllr Fuller asked about any further progress on the Cycle Link. Cllr. Soons had looked into this previously and the problem was that it was not wise to put something across land that was reserved for development. Cllr. Soons is to follow this up.

**Michelle
Thompson**

	<p>Community Council Report:</p> <p>The Chairman of the Community Council reported that the Car Park was now completed with the exception of one space which will be done at a later date</p> <p>With a kind donation from Brian Thaxted the Community Council have been able to consider updating their PA system and purchase a projector</p> <p>The heating system is still under discussion and air source heating seems very popular at the moment. Unfortunately, the pump house was damaged and instead of replacing this it has been decided to upgrade the system. This is to be looked into.</p> <p>With the AGM approaching in May, there are numerous vacancies on the committee. The Chair is stepping down along with the Treasurer and one Committee member, hopefully we will be able to see some new recruits.</p> <p>The Chairman outlined that a group of local 'A' Level students filmed a tour of the Community Centre which is going to hopefully be uploaded on the new website.</p> <p>4. To Consider the Approval of the Minutes of the Last Meeting:</p> <p>The approval of the minutes of the meeting held on 20th January 2020 were proposed by Cllr. Knight and seconded by Cllr. Crofts All were approved and signed as a true record.</p> <p>5. Reports:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">i <i>Play Area Report</i></p> <p>Cllr. Walker reported that last month's Inspection highlighted that the basket swing's screws were loose. She had tightened them up but suggested that we contact Sovereign once again to come and carry out an assessment. It has been taken out of use until repairs are carried out.</p> <p>The Clerk had been asked once more to find out the date "Chris Lodge" are coming to repair the Hippo See Saw and to give a quote on the other outstanding issues within the Play Area.</p> <p>The continuous problem of the overflowing bins in the village, especially in the Play Area has now been resolved and is being regularly monitored The Clerk was asked to contact West Suffolk Council to enquire about our Bin Contract, to see whether there was a possibility of a refund, as unfortunately, the bins were not actually emptied until January 2020</p>	<p>Michelle Thompson</p> <p>Michelle Thompson</p>
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6.	<p>ii Chairman's Report:</p> <p>The Chairman reported back on:-</p> <p>The Parish Council are looking to see if they could have access to the website so they are able to update it when necessary</p> <p>The Chairman mentioned to the other Councillors that Cllr. Knight and Cllr. Crofts are looking towards the first week in March to do their inspection and measuring of the village footpaths/ways. They want to cost it up and then have someone to give them a quote.</p> <p>He outlined to the Council that SHELAA – Strategic Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment report had been published and that it had now been put back to May 2020 where the first draft will be drawn up We are not a priority village, but Horringer cum Ickworth could see one or two developments.</p> <p>The Chairman reported that a reply was sent back regarding the parking issue at Hornings Park.</p> <p>Cllr Knight mentioned the next A.P.M and said that this year we will be looking to advertise on the village noticeboards and website etc</p> <p>Updates:-</p> <p>Footpaths</p> <p>This was discussed earlier</p> <p>Welcome New Councillors</p> <p>Fiona Berry and Tom Lewis were welcomed onto on to the Parish Council.</p> <p>Emptying Bins in The Play Area and in Horringer</p> <p>This was discussed earlier</p> <p>Risk Assessment Document received by The Community Council</p> <p>This is on-going and still awaiting instructions from The Community Council</p>	<p>Cllr. Knight</p> <p>Cllr. Knight /Cllr. Crofts</p> <p>Cllr. Knight</p>
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7.	<p>The Pricing for Hatching of a Parking Space for Emergency Access for the Scouts.</p> <p>This has all been completed apart from one area of which the Community Council will arrange to do at a later date.</p> <p>Proposed Defibrillator situated at Ickworth Park Primary School</p> <p>This is an on-going process liaising with the school. The defibrillator is already in place and awaiting instructions from the school. Cllr. White to approach the school</p> <p>DCON(A)/2575 Telephone Kiosk – The Street Horringer:-</p> <p>This is an on-going process The Clerk and Cllr. Knight have been working with Bream to try to establish a date of moving it to the new location A quote for £300.00 has been received for shelving inside the phone box. The Chairman is to chase the contractors.</p> <p>Installation of the Noticeboard at the Community Centre</p> <p>The noticeboard bought by the Parish Council in December is being assembled in the next couple of months</p> <p><u>Planning Applications:-</u></p> <p>DC/20/0124/HH Household Planning Application- (i) Construction of single storey pool building Horringer Manor Manor Lane Horringer Bury St Edmunds Mr. and Mrs. A. Campbell No objections from the Parish Council</p> <p>TPO 028 (1960) Tree Preservation Order-1noOak (T1on Plan) 2no Sycamore (T2 and T3 on Plan) and 1no London Plane (T4 on Plan) fell Hardwick Game Farm, Horsecroft Road Bury St Edmunds IP29 5NY Mr Ben Chapman No objections from the Parish Council</p>	<p>Cllr. White</p> <p>Cllr. Knight</p> <p>Cllr. Fuller/ Cllr. Lewis</p>
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DC/20/0166/TPO

TPO 086(1967) – 1no Oak

(T1 On plan within A1 on order) Prune to clear garage by removing the four stem arising from the tree to clear garage by approximately 3 metres

The Rectory , Manor Lane, Horringer IP29 5PY

Julie Bilham – Diocese of St Edmundsbury and Ipswich

No objections from the Parish Council

DC/20/0183/HH

Household Planning Application- (1) Single Storey rear extension (ii) front porch(i)1no window (following removal or garage door)

Grovebury House. The Street Horringer IP29 5SN

Mr and Mrs. Daly

West Suffolk Local Plan

No objections from the Parish Council

8. **Finance Report and to consider payments to be made:** The Clerk confirmed receipt of rent from the Old Post Office of £200 and Interest of £1.52 **Total Income for Feb £201.52**

- i **M Thompson** (Clerk's Salary) Cheque no: 1939 was raised for £243.00.
- iii **Michelle Thompson** (Clerk's Expenses) Cheque no:1940 was raised for £21.22
- iv **LexisNexis** (Local Council Law Book) Cheque no:1941 was raised for £103.98
- v **Horringer Pre School** (grant for 2019/20 towards) Cheques no 1942 was raised for £5,000

No further invoices have been received.

Reserve account @ £ 9,533.42 - 08.01.2020

Current account @ £38,494.18 – 14.01.2020

All agreed

A request for a grant of £5,000 was made by Cllr. Walker on behalf of Pre- School for 2019/2020. This was agreed by all. The Chairman, also confirmed that consideration would be given for a grant in 2020/21 as well. All agreed

9. **Correspondence:-**

There was no Correspondence to report.

10. **Councillors' Reports and Items for Future Agenda:**

11. **Date of Next Meeting** –confirmed as Monday, 16^h March 2020

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.15 pm