

HORHAM AND ATHELINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held Wednesday 6 March 2019 in the Old School 7.30pm

1 The Chairman welcomed those present. No Apologies received

2. PRESENT – Cllrs Hav Wilkins (Chairman), Christine Cooper, Pip Florance. Keith Hawes (vice-Chairman), Jill Peters, Angela Wilkins (Clerk) Mrs Gibson-Harries (District Council), Guy McGregor (County Councillor)

3. REPORTS - District Council - Mrs Gibson said that Martin Illing is offering a first-aider to run a first aid course or to give a refresher session. Let her know if this is of interest. Any concerns over planning applications get in touch with her. At the forthcoming elections in May Mrs Gibson-Harries is standing down as District Councillor and will not be seeking re-election. The Chairman thanked Mrs Gibson-Harries for her help and guidance over the past twelve years.

County Council – Mr Guy McGregor reported that the funding gap is being taken out of reserve funds for this year and can't go on indefinitely. There are no cuts in the budget for Citizens Advice Bureau this year. Special Needs in schools to be 'in house' to reduce costs. The opening of the new library in Eye has seen a big improvement in facilities than previously. There is no news yet on county fund bus service through the village. Mr McGregor said as we were still concerned on the speed of traffic through the village he has money available from his locality budget for slow down signs - vehicle activated signs (VAS). Letter to him with our request offering to pay towards the costs and he would take it further. Mr McGregor had also suggested in the past that alterations could be made to the junction with the Denham road making it into a T-junction to increase road safety.

3. MINUTES of Meeting held 5th December 2019 were signed as a true and proper record by the Chairman.

4. ARISING FROM MINUTES

Cllr Hawes said that pot holes had been repaired and general maintenance had been carried out in Worlingworth road (C535) during December.

5. CORRESPONDENCE – Riparian Ownership - Guidance on owning of Waterways (ditches streams, watercourses) on your property.

Connecting Communities – want Suffolk residents to have equality on costs for all passengers and consistency on the use of travel bus passes as there is no statutory requirement to give free travel for pre-booked seats. From 1 April all Connecting Communities will be charged fares, and free bus passes will no longer be accepted. Fare will not be increased this year.

Headway Fundraising Events – Tues 12 March Charity Dinner, 11 April Quiz Night, 27 April Cycle Ride and Walk in various locations. www.headwaysuffolk.org.uk

Henry's Film – Free screening of Henry Blake's film about the growing national crisis of 'County Lines' on 20 March 2019 Regal Theatre, Stowmarket.

SNT Newsletter – Information from Suffolk Constabulary- Responding to issues in the community and making Communities safer

SALC E Bulletin – Consultation on future Suffolk Fire and Rescue end 7 April at 5pm.

School Transport changes from September 2019, all schools have been informed of the changes, more info from www.suffolkonboard.com/schooltravel

6. HIGHWAYS – Suffolk Highways will be carrying out repairs on C532 Athelington and surrounding roads between Monday 25th and Friday 29th March between 7.30am and 4pm . Whilst

work is in progress the road will be temporarily closed to through traffic. Diversions will be in place.

7. PLANNING The following planning application has been received.

Application DC/19/00852 Application for lawful development certificate (existing). Little Meadow Farm, Stradbroke Road, Horham. No evidence that the caravan has been on site for over ten years. Does the caravan have water or sewage (sanitation) connected. **PC object**

Between meetings

1. Application DC/18/04955 ground floor bedroom and bathroom extension. The Treen, The Street, Horham. **PC approve**

2. Application DC/19/00010 Erection of two-storey extension, 2 Rose Cottage, Athelington Road, Horham **PC approve/ MS approve**

3. Application DC/19/00022 Outline Planning Application with access to be considered for erection of up to sixty dwellings on Land to the South of New Street, Stradbroke. **Pc approve**

Application DC/18/01427 Erection of four detached dwellings on (refusal of outline planning permission) Land North of Church Farm Barn, The Street, Horham has been referred for appeal Ref APP/W3520/W/18/3206342

Discharge of conditions for application 5023/16 allowed by appeal APP/W3520/W/17/3175002 details of manoeuvring and the parking of vehicles including cycle storage and Condition 6 Bin storage/refuse collection point, at Barnacre, Worlingworth Road, Horham

8. FINANCE

Risk Assessment – Financial Risk Assessment drawn up by the clerk was presented to the council for comment and approval. It was proposed this be accepted by Christine Cooper seconded by Jill Peters.

Clerks Salary – Cllr. Cooper proposed that the Clerk’s salary be increased by £25 per annum for this financial year (£720) seconded by Cllr. Hawes

Bank Balances held – Current a/c £2,851.81 – Business Premium a/c £101.85 – NSI £891.63

Precept made at last meeting received and accepted by Mid Suffolk.

Payments – The following payments were approved – Proposed by Cllr Hawes seconded by Cllr Florance

Mr H Wilkins -fuel for mower £10.73

Mrs A Wilkins – Clerk’s Expenses £43.43

Horham & Athelington Village Hall Fund (Hire of Old School for meetings) £52.00

Mrs A Wilkins - Clerks Salary £720.00

The clerk said she was expecting an invoice from SALC for payroll services and would pay that on receipt (£21.60) as it would be due for payment before the next meeting.

9. PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS - The four-yearly elections will be held 2nd May. The new council will be formed at the next meeting.

10. MATTERS RAISED BY COUNCILLORS – No matters raised

11. ANNUAL PARISH MEETINGS – Wednesday 24 April 2019 – Athelington meeting followed by Horham

12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING Wednesday 22 May 2019

As there was no other business the meeting was closed at 9.55pm

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