

HORHAM AND ATHELINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held Wednesday 23 November 2016 in the Old School 7.30pm

1. APOLOGIES – Cllr Keith Hawes

PRESENT – Cllrs: Hav Wilkins (Chairman), Pip Florance, Lawrence Weaver, Celia Morphett, Jill Peters, Christine Cooper, Angela Wilkins (Clerk), Elizabeth Gibson-Harries (District Councillor)

2. REPORTS - District Council - Mrs Gibson-Harries said on Devolution that it is likely Suffolk will go it alone with the possibility of parts of Essex and Norfolk joining together. Mid Suffolk and Babergh are likely to move into Suffolk County Council offices in Ipswich during April/May. There are hopes to maintain an office in Stowmarket. There is regeneration for transport business including broadband with an investment programme to the sum of £25million for the region. Mrs Gibson-Harries said she is meeting with the Communities Team with regard to the Old School finances.

No report made available from Suffolk County Council.

3 MINUTES of meeting held 21 September were distributed and signed by the Chairman.

4. MATTERS ARISING - S106 Fund - The Chairman had written supporting the application made by Old School Committee, however the application was rejected as it didn't meet the criteria set down by the District Council. The committee are planning to submit a new application.

5. CORRESPONDENCE-

Local Government Finance Settlement Consultation – Response from SALC to Communities and Local Government re automatic precept referendums. (Attached minute book) It appears under current proposals it would not affect us. Neighbourhood Planning Bill – aims to change elements of the planning system including neighbourhood planning and deals with compulsory purchase. It was suggested that perhaps we consider a 'village plan' – next meeting

Waste and Recycling Collection 2017 a small number of collection calendar leaflets covering Christmas and New Year downloaded from Mid Suffolk. These are not distributed as a matter of course but available on line and from Needham Market office on request –Copies will be displayed on Notice Board, Community Centre and Old School.

New Chief Executive - Mid Suffolk and Babergh District Councils have appointed Arthur Charvonja as the new Joint Chief Executive. Mr Charvonja who is currently employed as Strategic Director at Suffolk Coastal and Waveney D.C will take up his new role early in the New Year.

Suffolk Accident Rescue Service (SARS) Letter updating the works of SARS and asking if PC would make a donation towards their work. The Jill Peters proposed a donation of £50 seconded Christine Cooper, all in favour.

Suffolk Constabulary Suffolk Local Policing Review was implemented in April.

Street Names and Numbering - In 2010 it was decided that the Parish/Town Council, not the developer, be invited to suggest new road/street names as these tend to have historical or geographical significance. This process can be delayed as a decision can take some time to be reached. Mid Suffolk are therefore compiling a list of street names for when a new development is proposed and is asking for suitable names to be put forward - next meeting

SALC - Mid Suffolk North Area Meeting will be held 1 December Eye Council Chamber 7.00 -9.00pm

6. TELEPHONE KIOSK *UPDATE*- Work on the telephone kiosk is progressing well. Meetings have taken place to work out designs for 24 panels. Volunteers are now needed to make up the panels.

7. HIGHWAYS – Hedges Mr Gerald Cooper says he is responsible for hedge at top end of the street - Denham Road – and will arrange to get it cut. The 30mph signs at top end of street are faded and need replacing. Rectory Hedge – Letter sent to Highways as hedgerow is growing out over the footway and carriageway. SCC will not cut the hedge as they say it is the responsibility of property owners to keep their hedges trimmed.

8. PLANNING – Between Meetings –

Application 3644/16 - Erection of new carport, garage, log store, and games room (previously approved under application 2272/13) Rose Farm, Athelington Road, Horham. **PC approve MSDC approve**

Application 3397/16 – Land South of Meadow Farm Horham Road Athelington – Removal of a hedgerow to make 2 small fields farmable. To enable drainage of a larger area to take place and enable access on farm side of fields. **PC approved**. Mid Suffolk issued a Hedgerow Retention Notice 11 October 2017. An appeal against this notice has been made to the Planning Inspectorate.

Athelington Hall — Use of land for the siting of Marquee for holding events between the 1 May and 4 October 2013 and between 17 May and 20 September 2014. Application superseded by MSDC planning ref 0108/15 granted 23 June 2016. A new application will be required should the applicant wish to further pursue the proposals at a future date. MSDC records have been updated.

9. FINANCE: The following payments were approved and paid – proposed Celia Morphett seconded Jill Peters

C.A.S. – Onesuffolk web site – annual fee £60.00

Hav Wilkins – fuel for mower £10.71

Suffolk Accident Rescue Service – Donation £50.00

Bank balances - current a/c £2040.94 (including £137.80 recycling credit)

Business Premium a/c £101.62 - NSI £875.80

PRECEPT – A precept of £1,300.00 was made upon Mid Suffolk DC for 2017/18. Proposed Pip Florance seconded Lawrence Weaver

10. MATTERS Raised by Councillors –No matters were raised

11. MEETING DATES 2017

Wednesdays – 1st March

24th May

19th July

20th September

22nd November

Parish Meetings Wednesday 26th April

As there was no further business the meeting closed 9.25pm