

## HORHAM AND ATHELINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held Wednesday 25 November 2015 in the Old School 7.30pm

1. APOLOGIES – Cllr Keith Hawes

PRESENT – Cllrs: Hav Wilkins (chairman), Pip Florance, Lawrence Weaver, Celia Morphett, Christine Cooper

2. REPORTS - District Council - Mrs Gibson-Harries said there was still money available from the locality budget - The Old School committee were applying - New windows have been fitted to the bungalows in St Mary's Close. Old tyres have been dumped in various places in the area, inform her if anyone is seen dumping. Mid Suffolk is to build affordable housing. Looking for land – it is possible that Glebe land may be available. It is possible there will be a rise in Council Tax for next year announced today by the Chancellor. Suffolk is involved in a bidding process for devolution. Speeding through the village at certain times of the day is cause for concern.

3 MINUTES of meeting held 23 September were distributed and signed by the chairman.

4. MATTERS ARISING - Telephone Kiosk – has been prepared for painting. Letters were sent to Police (vehicles parked adjacent to new build at Old Eight Bells) and MS planning on our concerns of height of roof of new build.

5. MATTERS RAISED BY COUNCILLORS — Cllr Weaver said he is aware of dumping of suspected biomass/manure on land off Church Lane on an environmental issue. Access to the land is gated and locked. Cllr Morphett said there needs to be more care when lighting bonfires and to be mindful of which direction the wind was blowing so as not to cause inconvenience to others. Notice to this effect in village newsletter. Cllr Cooper said work vehicles were also parking on the footway at new build along the street adjacent to Firethorn. Cllr Morphett informed the clerk of the Onesuffolk website to set up a web page for Parish Council.

6. CORRESPONDENCE-

Waste and Recycling Collection Schedule 2016 a small number of collection calendar leaflets covering Christmas and New Year received 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. Cllr Cooper said she had noticed some residents were putting rubbish into other bins when theirs were full just before collection.

Community Buying Oil – Community Action Suffolk has a new community-based countywide oil buying syndicate saving on the cost of heating oil. Scheme works by contacting local co-ordinator to let them know how much oil you want allowing up to a maximum of two weeks for delivery (usually delivered in 5 working days) contact CAS 01473 345400

Local Policing Information Event - Thursday 10 December 7pm Landmark House Ipswich. Talk on the changes Suffolk Constabulary will be making in order to meet future demand whilst making the cuts placed upon them in the Government spending review.

Suffolk Constabulary – A review of local policing in Suffolk is underway to enable the Constabulary to achieve savings required by government. Structures and processes are being reviewed to ensure that protection high quality policing service whilst making the best use of resources. As a result police officer attendance at Parish Council meetings is under review.

7. HIGHWAY MATTERS – Speed Data Recorder – Speed of traffic still continues to be an issue in the village and it was suggested by Cllr Morphett that SCC Highways be contacted to arrange for a speed data recorder be placed in the Street.

8. PLANNING - Between Meetings

Application 3555/15 Frances Cottage Athelington Road Horham. Erection of two storey side extension (following demolition of existing single side storey extension and front porch) Changes to fenestration, Erection of detached double garage and installation of ground mounted photovoltaic panel array. **PC Approve**

Application 0836/15 Homestead The Street Horham – Erection of two storey dwelling – **Withdrawn by applicant**

9. FINANCE: The following payment was approved and paid – proposed Lawrence Weaver seconded Christine Cooper

SALC – Payroll Services £16.80

Bank balances held @30 September 2015 £2876.06

PRECEPT – A precept of £1300.00 was made upon Mid Suffolk DC for 2016/17. Proposed Hav Wilkins seconded Pip Florance

10. A.O.B. It was suggested we keep check on our elderly and more vulnerable neighbours who may need help during the coming winter months.

11. VACANCY – The vacancy on the council left by John Scent will be filled by Casual Vacancy. The Clerk will display a notice on the board inviting anyone interested to apply.

12. MEETING DATES 2016

Wednesdays – 2<sup>nd</sup> March – 18<sup>th</sup> May – 20<sup>th</sup> July – 21<sup>st</sup> September – 30<sup>th</sup> November

Parish Meetings Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> April

As there was no further business the meeting closed 9.10pm