

HARLTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Harlton Parish Council held on Tuesday 28 March 2017 starting at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall, Harlton

Present:

Councillor: Ben Banks (BB) - Chairman

Councillor: Richard Benson (RB) – Vice-chair

Councillor: Chris Coleridge (CC)

Clerk: Kim Quince

In attendance: County Cllr Sebastian Kindersley and District Cllr Doug Cattermole

1. Apologies for absences

Apologies received from Cllr Garry Johnson. Cllr Karen Evans had tendered her resignation with the clerk. The clerk will inform South Cambs and publicise the Councillor vacancy on the village notice board, website and C&V with the view of co-option, if an election is not requested within during the statutory period of notice (14 days). **ACTION: Clerk**

2. To receive Members' declaration of interest and dispensations

None received

3. Public Participation – open forum session of 10 minutes for members of the Public to speak on matters that concern the Parish.

No members of the public were present.

4. To approve and sign the minutes of the Planning and Parish Council meeting held on 21 February 2017 -

the minutes were approved by council and signed by the Chairman as a correct record of the meeting.

5. To receive Clerk's report and updates on business actions

See item 10 below for ongoing business and action reports.

6. To receive reports from Cambridgeshire County and District Councillors

Cllr Sebastian Kindersley reported CCC are consulting on options to improve the A428 between Black cat roundabout and Caxton Gibbet. He encouraged members and residents to respond. This was Sebastian's last meeting and he thanked Harlton residents and the parish council for being extremely welcoming over the years. He said it had been a pleasure and privilege working with us. Chairman thanked Sebastian for his efforts and long standing interest in Harlton.

Cllr Doug Cattermole gave a verbal update: the Local Plan Examination Inspectors have highlighted concerns with South Cambs assessment of proposed Local Green Spaces and had advised a review of all the proposed areas. City Deal is spending on infrastructure and will continue with feasibility work into rural 'travel hubs' and an extensive 'greenways' cycle network in South Cambridgeshire.

7. Finance:-

Bank reconciliation/ statements – bank reconciliation and statements presented.

Invoices and order of payments for approval:

£200.11, Clerk's March salary

8. Parish council monthly children's playground inspection – Cllr Ben Banks had inspected the playground with no matters to report.

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9. Village Website Hosting

The clerk asked for councillors to seek a volunteer to help with the ongoing management of the website. Noted that the invoice for the annual village web hosting is due in April. It was agreed to approve the subscription with DK Marketing for 2017, subject to costs and review options/fees from other service providers that offer 24/7 help desk support. **ACTION: ALL**

10. Reports and consideration for ongoing business including:-

Village Hall Trustee Liaison – Cllr Benson was unable to attend the recent annual VHT meeting in March; to forward the minutes to the clerk once in receipt. MKA Services are due to start on the alteration work on the front door of the village hall shortly.

Management of the Clunch pit – a small group of volunteers had worked on clearing Ivy from the Trees. Another date will be scheduled later in the year.

Consideration of purchasing speedwatch equipment for Harlton – John Watson has informed the clerk that the speedwatch team had access again to the police equipment. However, since it wasn't clear if this was a permanent loan, it was felt it was in best interests to take the opportunity to share costs of purchasing equipment with Haslingfield. The cost of the speedwatch tripod is £2,400 + Vat. Members agreed to approve a 25% contribution of the purchase price (£600 excluding vat) in return for having access to the equipment once fortnightly.

ACTION: Clerk to clarify sharing arrangements with Haslingfield PC and the speedwatch team

11. To consider correspondence received – all circulated and noted.

01/03/2016 Cambridgeshire Constabulary – new parking enforcement initiative. Clerk to place links on the village website.

06/03/2017 SCDC Amendment for planning application 16 Haslingfield Road – consultation period extended because the plans were not loaded correctly to SCDC website

07/03/2017 CCC Highways, South Cambs Surface treatments 2017

08/03/2017 CALPALC Bulletin & consultation of membership agreement

9/03/2017 CCC Councillor notes

15/03/2017 SCDC Planning Policy updates - March

17/03/2017 SCDC, Additional information only for application 2/2365/14/OL CEMEX

Barrington –refers to variation of condition 1 for outline planning for 220 residential units –

ACTION: ALL to view plans online and raise any concerns by email.

12. Matters for consideration at the next meeting

Signing and approval of the Annual return – Governance and Accounting statements; and review of Standing orders and Financial Regulations; and Clerks Salary review

13. Incidents and observations relating to the village –none reported.

14. To approve date and time of next meeting

Annual Village Meeting, Tuesday 25 April

Annual Parish Council Meeting, Tuesday 23 May

Meeting Closed – 8.45pm

ChairmanDate