

WEST HANNEY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING

HELD ON: Tues. 28/06/2016 in St James Church at 7.00pm

PRESENT: Cllrs. C. Surman (Chairman), Trevor Brettell, Graham Garner, Kay Sayers (Clerk) & Eddie Wilkinson

ATTENDEES: Laura Hutchins-Payne OCC, Paul Aram EHPC, D Walker, K Dancey, B Haines, J Harvey, C Harvey, T Page, L Ciupa, & J Whyte

APOLOGIES

None

49/16 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

G Garner – Chairman of Hanney Memorial Hall.

50/16 MINUTES OF LAST MEETINGS

Minutes of 03/05/16, 17/05/16 & 9/6/15 were agreed & signed

51/16 MATTERS ARISING

None

52/16 CLERK'S REPORT

Received a telephone call from Pauline Dickenson concerned that the ditch at the bottom of her garden was not being dealt with by Sweetcroft (Developers of Church Farm). Said PC would remind them that it was an important ditch which stopped houses in School Rd from flooding.

OCC have been clearing out the gulleys in the village. Had a complaint that the Winter Lane sign was covered in mud. I cleaned it.

Dealt with a query from the auditors regarding the PC's assets.

Since the financial report had been prepared a cheque for £5000 has been received (grant towards cost of NP).

53/16 FINANCIAL REPORT

See attached

54/16 OXFORDSHIRE TOGETHER

Laura Hutchins-Payne (OCC) gave a brief explanation on the changes in the work done to maintain villages. WH's main concern would be the cutting of grass especially the cutting of the

verges up to the parish boundaries. OCC would only cut once a year but as an alternative give the PC a grant to cut twice a year. Laura produced maps showing who owned what strips of land within the village. These varied to the PC's understanding. Laura to e-mail copy of the maps to TB so that the PC can study in detail.

OCC would still be responsible for felling dangerous trees when it was on its land.

The PC has to confirm within the next 2 weeks whether or not it wants to take on the task of the grass cutting. It was decided that as it was very short notice it would leave things to OCC for the time being.

55/16 SECURITY OF THE PLAYING FIELDS

Paul Aram (EHPC) had been assessing the fields after Travellers had again parked on them and left them in a disgusting state. A combination of bollards, a barrier, & fencing was agreed to. GG stated that the Village Hall had wanted the land in front of the tennis courts for extra parking at some time in the future. This had not been agreed by the PC. The barrier would have a combination lock to allow WH allotment holders access to their allotments. The fields at present are roped off because of their poor condition due to the recent heavy rain. KS to ask allotment holders to park in the hall car park and walk to the allotments as much as possible.

Paul to get final quotes and report back. GG asked if he could add a metal post to the list as a post on the field gate in the woodland had rotted.

56/16 SPEEDSIGNS

As the village now does regular speed checks under the community speedwatch scheme, it was thought that signs stating that drivers were entering a community speedwatch area should be put up at the 3 entrances to the village. This would negate the need to use the flimsy ones provided with the speed kit.

It was agreed that the PC should buy 3 signs at £93.

57/16 PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE

GG reported that he had received all the information required to put on the website & hoped it would be up & running by next week. It was decided to pay the provider and extra £40 to allow a 2nd admin. user.

58/16 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

3 events are being organized within the next month to advertise the plan.

A sustainability report is to be done although it is not clear that such a small village needs one.

59/16 PLANNING

P15/V2887/FUL – Land off School Rd. Discussed with local residents. Trevor Page was to represent them at the Planning Committee meeting with David Walker as his back up.

Density is still an issue & Laurence is to contact Clare Golden (Urban Design Officer) to see if she is satisfied that revisions to the plans have addressed her concerns.

At present the development does not seem to conform to the Vale’s design guide. It was suggested that each member of the committee is lobbied, EW to contact EHPC to ask if they consider this sensible.

P15/V2990/FUL & P15/V2991/LB – Barn to rear of Prior’s Court - Ongoing

P16/V0491/FUL – Conversion of stable block Priors Court – Permission Granted

P16/0637/FUL – Church Farm 8 houses – Ongoing

P16/0635/FUL – Church Farm 11 houses – Ongoing

P16/V0871/HH – 8 School Rd rear extension – Permission Granted

P16/V0736/O – Land rear of Priors Court 20 houses. PC strongly objects. A. Cottrell has contacted EW & CS trying to persuade them to allow development even at a smaller scale.

P16/V1318/LB – Alterations to The Plough – PC has no objections

39/15 DATES OF NEXT MEETINGS

16/8/2016 & 27/09/2016

Signed

(Chairman West Hanney Parish Council)

Date

