

WEST HANNEY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING

HELD ON: Tues. 24/01/2017 in St James Church at 7.30pm

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

ATTENDEES: B Haines P Sayers & J Stagg

APOLOGIES: None

01/17 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

02/17 MINUTES OF LAST MEETINGS

Minutes of 13/12/16 were agreed & signed

03/17 MATTERS ARISING

Carport/Garage in The Meads – Vale Enforcement contacted.

Precept – Form sent off & acknowledge of receipt obtained.

Hanney News Invoice – Paid, letter sent & letter from Jim Stagg received. Jim Stagg stated that he found the tone of the letter offensive. After discussion, it was agreed that had the full facts been known before the invoice had been raised, the invoice would have been paid without query.

Youth Club – Further details requested. Reply circulated. So far there has been a poor response from local youth. J Stagg stated that flyers were to be inserted into Feb's Hanney News. After discussion, it was decided that WHPC would pay for these.

Dog bins – EH advised

Overgrown hedges – Letter sent to 13 Church St. It had been noted that the property was now up for let. Letter to be sent to agent. It was also reported that the hedges up the path between Main St & Church St will need trimming & so does the hedge outside West Cottage Church St.

AP KS to send letters.

04/17 COMMUNITY WOODLAND & CHURCH FARM MEADOW

GG handed over the records of The Woodland to P Sayers. He summarized the work done and improvements made since the PC had been given The Woodland.

PS stated that all members of the Steering Group were willing to continue. D. Thomas was willing to continue cutting the rides. The Steering Group had met & also walked around the area identifying work to be done. A working party has been organized for 11/2/17.

CS stated that the Meadow was now officially owned by the PC. Gates to be installed to give direct access from the meadow to the woodland.

05/17 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The builders Beaumont are upset about the objections to the temporary road built to allow access to The Orchard. Although they are not allowed to use it at present it is thought that The Vale will give permission. The fence to the field is being broken down by people wishing to walk on the field. Sweetcroft considering suing for criminal damage.

Thames Water tankers are parking opposite the school, the pump has failed again.

No response has been received re the vacancy for Clerk. Jim Staggs offered to advertised on facebook & in Hanney News.

Website needs to be updated. GG is to look into need to publish agenda as at present there is no facility on the website to do so.

SSE has permission to put a pole tie in a garden and will let CS know when they are able remove the pole on School Rd.

Next Parochial Charities meeting is 6/2/17

06/17 CLERK'S REPORT

Temporary rd. across field from Cow Lane to The Orchard development – Contacted the Vale Enforcement Team expressing the PC's concern as against CTMP and considered a danger as lorries cannot easily turn into the entrance & it causes a safety risk to the school.

Greenscythe e-mailed to say they had not received payment for Sept. 2016 invoice. Replied sent 26/10/16, have heard nothing since.

Speedwatch – G. Chaffey is concerned that he is not getting volunteers and hasn't been able to man some sessions.

07/17 FINANCIAL REPORT

See Attached

08/17 PLANNING

P16/V2910/LB – Manor Cottage – Permission Granted

P16/V2553/FUL – 1 Lydbrook Cottages – Permission Refused

P16/V2961/O – Application withdrawn

P16/V3062/HH – PC has no objections

09/17 TENNIS COURTS

The Tennis Club has been in contact with members of the Neighbourhood Plan Committee re need for another court. No formal request has been made to WHPC. GG expressed concern that there would not be enough parking available. The PC decided to wait until a formal request has been received.

10/17 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN UPDATE.

Over 400 questionnaires have been returned & are being sent off for analysis. The Committee have been advised to initially concentrate on housing needs. This is because The Vale has already started on Part 2 of The Local Plan

12/17 DATES OF NEXT MEETINGS

27/02/17 & 04/04/2017

Signed

(Chairman West Hanney Parish Council)

Date