

## **WEST HANNEY PARISH MEETING**

**Held on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2019**

**At St James Church at 7.30pm**

**PRESENT:** Cllrs Chris Surman (Chairman), Kay Sayers, David Corps,  
and Barbara Martin (Clerk)

**ATTENDEES:** B Talmage, A Wilkinson and J Stagg

**APOLOGIES:** Trevor Brettell and Graham Garner

### **105/18 Declarations of Interest**

None

### **106/18 Minutes of Last Meeting**

The minutes of last meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> February were signed as a true record.

### **107/18 Matters Arising**

None

### **108/18 Chairman's Announcements**

The Chairman offered congratulations to David Corps, who has been accepted and officially recognized by the Vale as a Parish Councillor for West Hanney.

The Chairman has been in contact with Mark Francis of OCC Highways in relation to the installation of the mounting poles for our speed monitoring devices that we have decided to order. He will get an Invoice raised and send to the clerk for payment.

The Chairman has had several calls from residents either complaining or registering their concerns about the fencing erected across Sweetcroft's field. The Chairman has replied that Sweetcroft have every right to do what they wish within reason in their field, but that they have no intention of ever stopping people using the existing rights of way.

As you may know by now, Jackie Whyte and Chris Green are leaving the village for a few years to live in Spain. Jackie and Chris have been very supportive of this Parish Council, even carrying out grass cutting along School Road, and paying for it to be done when Chris was out of action after an operation. The Chairman put on record our grateful thanks to them both and wished them happiness in Spain. Hopefully we will see them back in the village in the future.

The Chairman stated that he is constantly chasing SSE with regard to our claim for rental payment for the Electricity Sub Station on Headings Pond. We should also be receiving wayleave payments for the two poles on the land. He originally started this in September last year and has now dealt with four different people. Each has promised action, but so far nothing! The last contact said they could find no trace of the plans and documentary evidence requested, and that he had submitted, but subsequently had to backtrack when he forwarded the email he had sent in February. One of the returning members of the council can continue the fight in the coming months.

### **109/18 Financial Report**

The Accounts were presented by the clerk and approved by the council.

### **110/18 Speed Signs**

As stated above in the Chairmans Report we are awaiting the Invoice for fixing the Poles required for mounting the Speed Signs on. A member of the company supplying the signs would like to talk to a member of the Parish Council about parts that will be needed for fixing the signs to the poles, It was decided to ask Graham Garner if he would be the contact for the Parish Council.

### **111/18 Abingdon Reservoir**

As the Councillor that requested this be added to the Agenda was not present, after a short discussion it was decided to leave this item for the next Council Meeting.

### **112/18 Neighbourhood Plan**

This item was deferred to the next Council meeting

### **113/18 Planning**

P18/V1498/FUL - Path along side School Road – still ongoing

P18/V2047/FUL – Deans Farm – still ongoing

P19/V0087/HH - 3 Rectory Farm Close – Granted

P19/V0399/FUL – Hyde Farm Road – Granted

P19/V0707/HH – The Old Vicarage Church Street – Ongoing

### **114/18 Flood Group Storage Hut**

A short discussion was held with regard to the Insurance of the Hut and Contents. It was decided that the Chairman would talk to Clive Manvell about the Insurance and ownership of the building, as our insurers have stated that as we do not own the building the owners have to insure it.

**115/18 Bank Account**

As two of the signatories for the Building Society Account are retiring at the May elections, we will require new signatories for the bank account. David Corps has agreed to become a signatory. A short discussion was had regarding whether the Parish try to change their Bank account from a Building Society passbook account to a cheque book account. It was decided that the clerk would ask East Hanney Parish Council's Clerk how they operate their Bank account and what sort it is, and report back to the next meeting.

**11/18 Date of next meeting**

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2019 – Regular Meeting 7.30pm at St James Church

**Signed .....** **Chairman**

**Date .....**