

# WEST HANNEY PARISH MEETING

**Held on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> July 2019  
At St James Church at 7.30pm**

**PRESENT:** Cllrs Graham Garner (Chairman), Eddie Wilkinson, Trevor Brettell, David Corps, Peter Packham and Barbara Martin (Clerk)

**ATTENDEES:** B Haines, P Sayers, A Wilkinson, J Stagg, M Allen, V Carter and C Spindloe.

## **APOLOGIES:**

None

### **23/19 Declarations of Interest**

Cllr D Corps Partial interest with School Road.

### **24/19 Minutes of Last Meeting**

The council agreed that the Chairman would sign the minutes of last meeting once minor corrections had been made.

### **25/19 Matters Arising**

1. Deep Clean: - The Chairman saw the workmen on day one scalping on School Road, and asked them to do Church Street. Although they did not do the stretch between Church Street and Main Street. The chairman said that overall the Deep Clean was not very effective and that the workmen did not appear to have been here for three days. The chairman said we need to contact OCC about the Deep Clean.

2. Community Woodland Funding: - Paul Sayers has obtained one quote for the replacement of the fencing along the east of the woodland, which was for £4715+VAT. He also stated that he has not yet purchased the replacement Picnic bench for the woodland, as had been absent quite a few times in the last few weeks and he wanted to be available to accept the delivery.

The Chairman said that he had concerns over the funding of the replacement fencing, and suggested we should possibly split the cost of the fencing over 2 years. After a discussion it was decided that we would ask Paul Sayers to obtain two more quotes along the same terms of the first quote, and that we would ask for work to be carried out over 2 years. It was also agreed that the first part of the work would start in the Autumn and that we would pay the contractors for cutting back twice.

As there were no other matters arising from the last minutes Paul Sayers left the meeting.

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## **26/19 Chairman's Announcements**

The chairman stated that he had received an email from M Trowell, who lived at the Old Vicarage in Church Street. This was about putting weed killer on the raised footpath leading to the church. A short discussion was held and it was decided that we would need someone who holds a license to use non domestic weed killer, and we should get quotes from D & I Green, White Horse Horticulture and Green Scythe for spraying the path for us.

The Chairman Stated that he had not heard from any of the residents in Church Street, so he was about to start contacting individual residents about cutting back their hedges etc. The Chairman would also like to form a Curtilage Team fir this, which he said he would do at the next Parish Council Meeting. It was also suggested that we hold a contest to see if anyone can push a wheelchair along the footpath in Church Street without having to go off the path.

The Chairman is in discussion with the Flood Group about the public footpath opposite the Indian Restaurant in School Road. The path is quite dangerous as is the stile at the end, which most people who use the path avoid by going down into the ditch at the side of the path. It also appears that someone is putting grass cuttings etc, into this ditch, which will eventually block it and cause the ditch to overflow. It was decided to find out who is the actual owner of the strip of land which forms the path and ditch, so that the Chairman can talk to them. David Corps is to report the state of the Footpath and Stile to the Country Matters Website.

The Chairman reported that the Vale want Nominations for the Community Awards by 9<sup>th</sup> August.

Michalmas Fayre Programs: - The Chairman has been approached by the Michalmas Fayre committee asking if we are prepared to sponsor the Programs for this years Fayre. It was decided, that year, we would sponsor the Programs again this year.

Finally, the Clerk was asked to write to the Vale about their survey on Polling Stations, stating that we are happy with the Memorial Hall as our Polling Station.

## **27/19 Financial Report**

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

## **28/19 Speed Signs**

The Chairman thanked David Corps for his help in putting up the new Speed sign in the Village. With the New Signs in place we will now be able to get data of traffic which pass the signs in both directions, so that we can pass on any data that we may get requests for, to the appropriate people. We are also going to give info to EHPC so that they can possible purchase some signs for East Hanney.

**29/19 Neighbourhood Plan**

The Chairman and Councillor Eddie Wilkinson had a meeting with the Vale on the 24<sup>th</sup> July about the Neighbourhood Plan, which overall, they were OK with. There was one section about the Village Boundary that they did not like. There is some updating that is required, but once this is done the plan will go back to the Vale for approval. Once this is done, we can then present the Plan to the residents of West Hanney for a 6-week consultation period. When the consultation is finished and the Vale and external examiner formally accept the Plan, we can then have a Referendum, which the Chairman hopes will be in early 2020. The chairman pointed out that we do have a veto on the external examiner.

**30/19 Planning**

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

P19/V1406/HH - 3 Walnut Close – Ongoing

P19/V1499/FUL – 4 Dwellings south of Priors Court - Ongoing

Councillor Eddie Wilkinson reported that he had tried several times to get in contact with Sweetcroft, about the state of the field off of School Road, but failed. Eddie did manage to contact the Vale and they said they were going to put an enforcement team on this and that they would visit the site.

**31/19 West Hanney Parochial Trust**

As the Parish Council must be represented on the Trust Committee by a standing councillor, Chris Surman has stood down and David Corps has agreed to join the committee.

**32/19 Bank Account**

The clerk presented details of the Unity Bank to the council and after some discussion it was decided that the Clerk would start formally to change our bank account to the Unity Bank. She will get details of the three councillors who are signatories for the current bank account, to give to Unity Bank so that they can be set up with the website, which will enable them to approve payments before they are accepted by the bank and the clerk can then pay by BACS.

**33/19 Date of next meeting**

Tuesday 3rd September 2019 – Regular Meeting 7.30pm at St James Church

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2019 – Regular Meeting 7.30pm at St James Church

**Signed .....** Chairman

**Date .....**