

HASLINGFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 13th February 2017

Present –Jenny Jullien, Tony Adcock, Ron van der Hoorn, Lucian Hatfield, Clive Blower, Julie Coxall and Tricia Knibbs. County Councillor Sebastian Kindersley and District Councillor Doug Cattermole were in attendance. There were seven members of the public present.

1 Apologies for Absence – Peter Agar.

2 Members Declaration of interest for items on the Agenda – Julie Coxall declared an interest in the planning applications for 82 New Road and 9 Chestnut Close, as she knows the residents.

3 Open Forum for Public Participation – A member of the public asked if the 2% increase in Council Tax for adult social care was exclusively for social care. This was confirmed to be the case.

4 County Councillor’s Report by Sebastian Kindersley

County Council Budget - The political parties at the County Council have again failed to set a Budget, which means another long debate and no promise of a resolution even then. The Chief Finance Officer’s report is based on 0% Council Tax increase and 2% increase for Adult Social Care only. The County Council’s Chief Executive can allow emergency spending if there is a danger to life. If leaders can’t come to an agreement the government will have to intervene.

5 District Councillor’s Report by Doug Cattermole

South Cambs Council Meeting 26th January - The creation of the new South Trumpington parish splitting off from Haslingfield was approved. A motion reiterating the Council’s opposition to a congestion charge was passed, as it would penalise those residents of South Cambs who have no realistic alternative to the car for travel into Cambridge.

South Cambs Planning - In January, the planning committee approved the extension of Cambourne up to the Caxton roundabout. This will provide 2,350 extra homes (30% affordable), plus 3 schools, shops, offices and community facilities.

Grosvenor Sporting Village - The application is likely to go to the JDCC (Joint Development Control Committee) in March. The application is a joint one linking the development in Trumpington to the one at the Abbey Stadium.

Bin rounds Changes to the bin rounds have been made with collections in Haslingfield now on a Wednesday. This will provide savings of around £150K, due to South Cambs collections aligning with the City. Leaflets were sent out to all households

South Cambs Budget SCDC has been putting together the budget for 2017/18. Further savings are required to cope with a cut in government rate support of around £700k. This potentially could become negative in 2019/20 with a figure of a £660k contribution being required. The Council projects that it needs to make savings of around £2m by 2021/22 to deal with this lack of central support. Council tax rates are likely to increase by nearly 4%. The Council has innovated with commercial activities like Ermine Street Housing to help provide extra revenues.

6 To approve and sign minutes of the meeting of 9th January 2017 – Proposed RH, seconded TK. Approved nem con.

7 Matters to be reported from these minutes – Actions outstanding from last months’ minutes: Barton Road posts – It was agreed to ask CCC to remove any posts not now needed for Traffic Calming. Any with the potential to be used in future will remain in situ. John Miller is to be contacted. **Action JJ**

8 Planning applications and decisions:

S/0313/17/FL – **9 Chestnut Close**, single storey rear extension with a part side extension: Supports. S/0189/17/FL – **41 Chestnut Close**, detached garage: Supports
S/2515/16/FL – **Land adjacent to Grove Farm, adjacent to Harlton Road and Church St**, Development of 7 dwellings, new footpath and access of Church St with 3 dwellings to be Social Housing: Supports with proviso that the 3 houses are shared ownership with Haslingfield residents having priority. S/3622/16/FL – **45 Church Street**, Demolition of existing bungalow & construction of 2 detached two storey houses: Supports. S/0204/16/CW – **Barrington Quarry, Haslingfield Rd.**, importation by rail & deposit of inert restoration material to restore former clay & chalk quarry: The PC wrote to CCC with their concerns. S/0472/16/RM – **Trumpington Meadows Site**, Discharge of Conditions 4 & 5 of Planning App S/0472/16/RM: No comments. S/0333/17/FL – **82 New Road**, addition of an upper storey to the central part of a bungalow: The application was postponed until the next planning meeting, as no relevant documentation was received from SCDC and the plans were not available online.

9 Additional Matters for Discussion:

a) Traffic Calming – John Miller sent a report to say a meeting was planned with Skanska and Joel Sykes, the new Manager at CCC. He has briefed Andrew Preston, CCC, on the status of Phase 2 and the village mandate, resulting from the questionnaire, to progress with the Phase 3. The Traffic Calming team consists of John Miller, Lucian Hatfield, Peter Agar, Jim Dowsett and Paul Brammer, who plan to walk around the village to assess the situation. A meeting has been arranged with both Skanska and CCC for 8th March 2017. The next stage of Traffic Calming is likely to cost around £3000. It was proposed to pass an invoice for up to £3000 for further plans. Proposed JJ, seconded RH. Agreed.

Clive Blower suggested showing the new plans to people on Barton Road first. Lucian Hatfield will distribute plans as soon as they are available. **Action LH**

b) Emergency Plan – Equipment has been bought and a detailed plan was produced in 2013. In July 2015 the team played out a scenario involving two USA helicopters, which highlighted areas in need of improvement. A bigger team of helpers is now needed, especially people who have emergency equipment or medical training, but

any offers of help are welcomed. New, updated copies of the Plan will be distributed. Tony Adcock proposed for the whole Parish Council to be on call and part of the team in an emergency. Proposed TA, seconded CB. All agreed. It was decided to put this on the Agenda for the Annual Meeting and to put an article in the next Church and Village magazine. **Action TA**

Lucian Hatfield said there were 8 people in his business who would be available to help in an emergency if needed. **Action LH**

It was proposed to install a key box outside the Village Hall including a key to the field gate. Tony Adcock will liaise with Paul Parry, the Emergency Officer at SCDC and ask him to come to either the Annual Meeting or a PC meeting to discuss the current plans. Another role-playing exercise involving all councillors is to take place over the summer. **Action TA/All Councillors**

10 Committee and Working Party Reports:

- a) **Environment** – Clive Blower reported that the gaps in the community orchard have now been filled with 4 new trees. A sign giving the names of trees is currently being worked on. The next gathering of volunteers will continue to remove ivy on the Wellhouse Meadow wall, followed by tidying up the area behind the bus shelter on Lilac Close. Other suggestions are welcomed. Jay Cole requested to plant a young oak tree approximately 20 yards away from another oak, and putting in a plaque representing the dance club. Proposed JJ, seconded CB.
Jay Cole is to investigate the costs and location for possible benches on the Wellhouse Meadow, to put into next years' budget. **Action Jay Cole**
- b) **Tennis Courts** – The new fencing has been held up by SCDC not yet agreeing to the more detailed plans. A reminder has been sent. When the Tennis Club has been given the go-ahead by SCDC the fencing around the shed will be installed.
- c) **Village Hall** – Tony Adcock presented the Village Hall accounts, which he proposed to accept unaudited. Proposed TA, seconded JJ
- d) **Allotments** – A Committee meeting was held in Little Rose on 16th January. The balance of accounts is £1597.09. Insurance and affiliation fees have been paid. A social gathering of plot holders was held on 22nd Feb in Little Rose. Two working parties took place with over 12 people attending. There are still 6 plots vacant.
- e) **Trumpington Meadows** by Christine Kipping - A Trumpington sub-group was held last week, but there doesn't seem to be much that is relevant to Haslingfield at the moment. They are concentrating mainly on the Clay Farm area. However, they are concerned about encouraging all residents to take ownership of the initiatives, so that they will be in a position to run them when the funding ceases.
- f) **Connections Bus** –The Bus urgently needs more volunteers and attendees. The numbers attending the bus continues to be low. There is no apparent reason for this, but apparently this happens in other villages, too, and then the numbers pick up again. The situation will be monitored and reviewed for next year. The Clerk is to ask for a report from the Connections team. **Action FL**
- g) **Play Areas** – There is one more panel to install on the mini-ramp in the Skate Park. Play Maintain will then be paid the outstanding second invoice.
- h) **C & V and website** – Nothing to report. The next meeting is on 21st February.
- i) **Cycle Path** – There has been no response from Kings College as yet. Peter Agar and Lucian Hatfield will arrange to go in to see the Bursar. **Action LH/PA**

- 11 **Correspondence** – A DVD of the 1977 Jubilee event in Haslingfield was kindly donated by Neville Cole, along with some French literature. The DVD cost 38 euros

to produce. As previously proposed, any reimbursement agreed by the parish council will assist in purchasing low cost travel from Stansted to Toulouse. The Clerk is to find out about copyright and to see if extracts can be put on the website. **Action FL**
An email was received asking for someone to organise Litter Picking to be done along Harston Road. It was suggested that the person concerned asks for it to be put in the Church & Village magazine. **Action JJ**
The Speedwatch volunteers list will be sent to Linda Shankland. **Action FL**
Christine Kipping is to be asked about putting a defibrillator sign on the phone box. **Action FL**

12 Finance –

a) Resolution to pay outstanding accounts:

Salaries – Clerk, Roy Brown, Alan Stevens

Payments proposed TA, seconded JJ. Approved.

Invoices Paid on 13/02/2017:

Connections Bus	£2977.00
Play Maintain	£2182.80
William Harrold (webhosting)	£69.99
Tony Adcock (BT bill)	£107.97
Sam Bowden	£490.00
Clerk's fees	£703.28
Clerk's expenses	£53.50
Roy Brown	£104.00
Alan Stevens	£56.00
HMR&C	£48.62
CCC Street-lighting	£228.22

Frances Laville
Parish Clerk
23/02/2017

Date of next meeting: Monday 13th March at 7.30pm in the Village Hall