

**MINUTES OF THE HILTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 7th SEPTEMBER  
2015 7.30 IN THE VILLAGE HALL**

**Present:** Cllrs G. Barradell (Chair), K.Dunk, A. Goodridge, A. Parkinson, S. Partridge

**In Attendance:** Jo Perez (Parish Clerk), 8 parishioners and Frank Mastrandrea (HDC)

**1. To note Apologies for Absence**

W.Wilson and J. Perez due to being away, P.Balicki due to a work related emergency and S.Perry due to last minute staff shortage.

**Declarations of Interest**

None.

**Parishioners Open Session**

**Parishioners were invited to participate stating to which item on the agenda they wish to comment.**

**Margaret Shadlow:-** item 6.7 Cost of each wreath is £18, requested that a member of the Council attends Remembrance Sunday service.

**Lesley Fordham:-** item 4.1 Reported that her dog's paw had gone through the gap and was concerned that there could be an injury.

**Andy Bush:-** item 3.1 thinks that a defibrillator is an excellent idea and believes that the Town Trust and the Village Hall Committee would contribute. 4.2 Policy document - it references supporting documents and an appendix that he cannot find. No map is attached.

Letter to homeowners(adjoining the Green) - would like to know what was in the letter? Wanted to know how many maps had been sold.

Closed open session 19.38

**2. To approve the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 6th July 2015**

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting 6.7.15 were approved as a true record, G.B prop, A.P 2nd, S.P abstained as not a Cllr, all other Cllrs were in favour.

**3. Matters arising or carried forward from the last meeting for discussion and decision**

**3.1 Defibrillators - presentation by the Heart Rhythm Charity, discussion to follow**

The representative from the Heart Rhythm charity was unavailable. Cllr A. Goodridge gave more details about the device. It would require 6 guardians to check it every 2 weeks. Battery life 3-5 years. It would need a mains supply and the predicted total cost would be £2,500.

**3.2 Rural Housing Exception Scheme - presentation by Frank Mastrandrea/Luminus discussion to follow**

Frank Mastrandrea presented to the Council. He would like the PC to consider the possibility of having affordable housing in Hilton. A housing survey would need to be conducted to establish if a need existed. A proposal to have a survey will be put on the next meeting agenda.

**3.3 (3.2) A14 - update**

The latest deadline date was 2nd September, Statement of Common Ground (SOCG) was submitted although there was little that was agreed on. The conclusion of the HPC funded sound report was that mitigation would help achieve some benefits but this was refuted by 'Highways England'. There are more public hearings. The local HCV group met with the A14 WG.

**3.4 (4.2) Easements - recommendations for Councillors to consider for St Francis Toft and Gault Close and discuss easement request 12 Church Lane. To discuss further action for Pecks Coppice**

This item will be on the next meeting agenda due to data not being circulated and the Chair being called to a work related emergency and not present at this meeting.

**3.5 (4.4) Pavilion - update following visit to Eltisle Pavilion**

2 of our Councillors went to visit Eltisle Pavilion. The Pavilion working group will meet before the October meeting and present to the PC.

**3.6 (4.5) New Representative from the Parish Council to attend Village Hall meetings - Further discussion**

Cllr G. Barradell volunteered to be the Parish Council representative on the Village Hall committee.

**3.7 (5.5) c) Beacon - update following working group meeting**

The Beacon has been inspected and it is above ground on supports. The Beacon working group have 2 proposals:- 1) is to have a fabricated tripod stand and the basket to be placed on top at a approximate cost of £300. 2) Have a Beacon of the same design used for National historical events - waiting for an image of the design. This would be of a similar cost to the first proposal. To be discussed further at our next meeting.

**4 Committee, Working Groups and Members items**

**4.1 Bridge by Village Hall - information**

The bridge is owned by CCC. They are aware of the issue and repair required but do not regard it as urgent.

**4.2 Green Open Spaces Management- update- inc Trees, Football, Policy Document, Mowing and Maintenance contract, Hedge removal and Letter to land owners adjacent to the Green**

Trees- Ian Stott and Glen Conway walked around the Village to establish the Tree work required. 2 items on the list are a priority as they need to be done while in leaf, this is a total cost of £320.00. It was proposed to give Glen Conway the go ahead to carry out this work immediately. G.B prop, A.P 2nd all Cllrs were in favour. The rest of the tree work will be quoted on by 3 companies.

Football - Cllr K.D, W.W and Ian Stott met with Nadine Taylor (FYFC) and it was agreed that 1) Pitch inspection every Friday 2)The PC will be responsible for all mowing 3)The pitch will be rotated 90 degrees.

Mowing and Maintenance- W.G will be putting together a proposal ready to look at the renewal in April 16.

Hedge removal (Potton Rd)- a letter has been sent to Brian Ogden (HDC) and Cambs Police wildlife crime team.

Letter to residents adjoining the green - Cllr K.D read the proposed letter to the PC, it was proposed to ask the W.G to continue, G.B prop, A.G 2nd, all Cllrs were in favour.

**4.3 (4.3) Fireworks - feedback and discuss date for the event**

No date discussed, will ask the Chair to put in Spectrum

**5 To consider any correspondence/communications received requiring decision or action**

**5.1 Old Football Posts - suggest that the PC scrap as they do not comply with current Health and safety regs**

Proposal to scrap the goalposts, G.B prop, A.P 2nd, all Cllrs were in favour.

**5.2 Email received from Ian Bates to ask what the PC have planned for the Queens 90th Birthday Celebrations June 2016**

To be discussed further at our next meeting.

**6. To consider and decide upon matters relating to Finance and Risk assessment**

**6.1 Authorise payment of any bills**

6a Clerks Salary S/O August £456.30s/o



Meeting closed 9.13pm

**Signed.....Date.....**