

MINUTES OF THE HILTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 5th FEBRUARY 2018 7.30PM IN THE VILLAGE HALL, HILTON

Present: Cllr P. Balicki, Cllr R Collard, Cllr A Goodridge, Cllr I. Stott, Cllr S. Walker and Cllr W. Wilson

In Attendance: 5 Parishioners

1. To note Apologies for Absence

Cllr G Barradell, Cllr K Dunk, Cllr S Partridge and Jo Perez (Clerk)

Declarations of Interest

None

Parishioners Open Session

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

Item 3.1 – A14 updates- Raised a question about consent order South Cambs at the last meeting, is there an update? The Parishioner was advised that when there is an update the item will be added to a meeting agenda.

Item 5.2 – Beacon – request to use for Armistice Centenary. The Parishioner was advised that this will be discussed during the meeting.

2. To approve the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 4th December 2017 and minutes of the extraordinary meeting held on the 16th January 2018.

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 4th December 2017 were approved as a true record. P.B prop, W.W 2nd, all Cllrs present at that meeting were in favour. The minutes of the extraordinary meeting held on 16th January 2018 were approved as a true record. P.B prop, S.W 2nd, all Cllrs present at that meeting were in favour.

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

3.1 (3.2) A14 – updates

The Clerk has informed Highways that there is an increase of Highways vehicles using the Village for access. Highways have advised that this is due to the Weather making the haul road impassable. The Clerk will ask that Highways look to improve the haul road so this does not continue to happen. The PC is concerned that due to the increase of larger vehicles using the Village some of the grass verges have been damaged. The Clerk will ask Highways to meet to assess damage and discuss how this damage can be repaired. It was reported that the Mere Way footpath was also impassable and dangerous, the Clerk will ask that this be addressed by Highways.

3.2 (3.3) Cycle Paths – further information and response from Sustrans & A14 community fund

Update from Cllr A. Goodridge- has been given an indication that funds are available and we are on the list but we haven't formally applied. Has contacted both Gerard Smith – A14 Legacy fund and Mike Davis from CCC to check we can put an application in now. Has asked for clarity on how much of the B1040 will have a foot/cycle path. Cllr A Goodridge also contacted Sustrans to establish whether there are any old foot/cycle paths, but they confirmed there is nothing in this area. They did advise that there is a 3 part process in applying for foot/cycle paths:- 1. Establish demand 2. Political will 3. Getting the money. Cllr R Collard updated the PC on the route that looks the most favourable as there is already some footpath in place which would need upgrading, therefore this could mean that there would potentially only be a small piece of land needed to complete a foot/cycle path. So the proposal is that the PC goes ahead and gets the application submitted. Identify the Landowners and arrange to meet. Cllr A.G will draft a letter. Cllr A.G will also speak with Bluntisham & Earith to find out how they got their Footpath. S.W prop, R.C 2nd, all Cllrs in favour

3.3 (3.4) Bus survey – Feedback from Cllr Balicki and Cllr Stott following meeting with St Ives Town Council

Cllrs P.B and I.S attended a meeting organised by St Ives Town Council, along with some other Parish Councils. This was to discuss the cutting of Bus service and what happens once the temporary subsidised service finishes this year. Some Parishes had also conducted Bus surveys. CCC will be invited to a meeting to discuss further, date to be advised.

3.4 (3.7) Response from Traffic Police following request to monitor ongoing traffic issue including HGVs during prohibited hours

The Clerk emailed the Traffic Police to ask for some monitoring to be done in the Village. She has received a response to say that they will put some speed indicator devices in place early in the New Year, so far that doesn't seem to have happened. The Clerk will continue to chase.

3.5 (3.8) Information regarding Speed Indicator Device (SID)

The Clerk has established these devices cost approx £4,000. The Chairman would like to add this to the agenda of the Finance and G.P meeting to discuss further. Other suggestions were to look for external funding. Advised by a Parishioner that Mick George has funded one for another village.

3.6 (5.2) Discuss the next step between the Parish Council and Hilton Community Website following an informal meeting between Cllr Stott and Andy Bush.

Cllr I.S advised the PC that he and Andy Bush met in December 2017. They discussed having a link on both the PC website and the Community website to each other's site. Cllr I. Stott would like to propose this happens, Cllr A.G 2nd, 1 abstained, all other Cllrs in favour.

4. Committees, Working Groups and Members items

4.1 (4.1) Green Open Spaces – updates

Cllr I.S updated the PC. The working group met last week. They looked at the tree assessment policy and would like this to go forward to the Policies Group to be adopted. The Clerk to organise this.

Paths – asked contractors to advise how much the cost would change if Paths were widened from 600cm to 700cm and also what savings could be made if both areas were carried out at the same time. There would be an increase in cost to widen the Paths but a decrease to carry out consecutively, therefore the overall cost would remain the same. Cllr K.D has investigated the best option for the material used for the paths and has found that Self-binding gravel would be the best option as wheelchairs and pushchairs can move through it. There would be a slight increase in cost for this material. Cllr S.W asked how the PC will make sure the path ways are kept at 700cm wide. Final costs to be presented at the next meeting. The common rights holders would need to be informed. Cllr S.W asked whether we could consider keeping the paths at 1mtr wide as this allows 2 people to walk side by side. Cllr I. Stott will discuss with the working group.

Trees will be planted on the 20th Feb. Proposing an Ivy cutting session on the 17th March concentrating on Tithel Land/Graveley Way. Trees have been identified for Volunteers to fell, date to be arranged.

4.2 Pavilion – planning application – update and information of a planned village meeting to discuss

Cllr S.W updated the PC, the Pavilion working group has met and they have been informed by HDC that the pre application is acceptable. Now a more detailed plan will need to be made. An open meeting will be held for Parishioners to come to see plans so far and make any comments. A date will be arranged and advertised. Funding should not be an issue, the PC just need to include 2 changing rooms. Detailed costings will need to be carried out. Due to Health and Safety a specialist contractor will need to be employed to carry out the work. Final plans will need to be submitted.

4.3 Discuss ways in which the volunteer group can assist around the Village

Cllr A.G updated – working group met to discuss how Volunteers can help. Areas established within the working group were helping with:- 1. Junior Cricket club 2. Cycle Paths 3. Use of the Pavilion – set up a meeting with the Pavilion working group 4. Other sports facilities. Also

discussed car park surface and play park. It was suggested that the cycle path and play park be investigated further. Costs included and how volunteers can help.

4.4 Huntingdonshire Local Plan to 2036 – proposed submission – PC response submitted, further information regarding other parishes

Clerk to update at next meeting.

5. To consider any correspondence/communications received requiring decision or action and any other agenda items

5.1 Request to erect the Easter Cross on the Green in the usual place from Good Friday until the following Tuesday

Cllr P.B proposed to approve, Cllr S.W 2nd, all Cllrs were in favour.

5.2 Request to discuss the use of the Beacon in the commemoration of the Armistice Centenary

11th November 2018 is a Sunday. So far the plan is to have the usual Service at the Lychgate followed by a service in the Church and then onto an indoor 'street party' in the VH. The Pageant Master is suggesting Beacons be lit at 7.00pm but it would make sense to light the Beacon following the street party around 4.30pm. The PC would be happy to go along with plans that are made with the Beacon being lit in the Wilderness. The Clerk will ask the Firework committee if they have any candles that could be used to light along Wraggs Row. The clerk will be informed of plans once details have been agreed.

5.3 Discuss how best to tackle the graffiti on the Pavilion wall

The Graffiti has been removed from the information board at the Maze. To have the Graffiti removed professionally from the wall of the Pavilion would cost approx £425 or purchase of a removal product at a cost of £41.50. The PC will try to remove it with the product and speak to the Volunteer group for help.

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

6.1 Authorise payment of any bills inc clerks salary

6a John Carter (JSC)	S/O January 2018	£660.00s/o
6b Atlas Tree Surgery	Tree work	£1272.00ch
6c Graham Baradell	Reimbursement for payment made to Mark Harrod Ltd (goal nets etc)	£ 96.00chq
6d Kieron Dunk	Reimbursement for payment made to Wordpress.com (website domain)	£ 85.00chq
6e B. Ashby	Handyman – Nov 17/Dec 17	£ 63.00chq
6f K & M Street Lighting	Street Light maintenance – 1 st Jan 18 – 31 st March 18	£ 153.82chq
6g Cambridge Water	Water Supply - 1st June 17 -30 th Nov 17	£ 17.95DD
6h Ecotricity	Electric Supply - 25.10.17 – 24.11.17	£ 23.86DD
6i Ecotricity	Electric Supply – 25.11.17 – 24.12.17	£ 23.09DD
6j Ecotricity	Electric Supply – 25.12.17 – 24.01.18	£ 23.86DD
6k Clerks Salary	Salary January 2018	£539.07s/o
	Expenses	
	Postage	£ 4.88
	Telephone	£ 7.93
	Total cheque	£ 12.81chq

Cllr P.B prop, Cllr W.W 2nd, all Cllrs were in favour.

7. Councillors' items – information only. No discussion and no decisions can be made.

A.G Winter Gritting Volunteers – forms available through Cllr A.G or A. Bush- next meeting agenda.

R.C Dog Fouling – seems to be a lot more of this happening.

P.B Dog Fouling – posters to go up and a notice in Spectrum. VH- Outside production 30.6.18

S.W Gritting – cars are skidding near the Green

8. Closure of meeting

Meeting closed 21.10pm

Signed **Date.....**