

Hinxton Parish Council: Minutes of meeting held 7th Feb 2022

Present:

Sam Nichols

Emma Senior

Sarah Robinson

Ceri Williams

Chris Elliott

Clerk: Anne Charteris

CLlr Peter McDonald

Members of the public:7

	Part 1 : Non confidential information.
2202/00	Following resignation of Nick Cliffe, new Chair to be elected. Sam Nichols was proposed by Chris Elliott to chair this meeting, seconded by Ceri Williams and all in agreement.
2202/01	To receive and approve apologies for absence None
2202/02	To receive members' declaration of interest for items on this agenda CW: Hunts Lane
2202/03	To sign and approve minutes of meeting dated 10th Jan 2022 Minutes approved by all and signed off.
2202/04	Exclusion of the Public. To determine which items, if any, from Part 1 of the Agenda should be taken with the Public excluded.
2202/05	Public participation time – 15 minutes allowed
2202/06	Report from South Cambridgeshire District Councillor P McDonald Full report circulated to Councillors and posted on the website. Main points are: Council Tax: It is proposed to increase the S Cambs element by £5 to £160 for a band D property so a rise of 3.4%. The 3 year plan includes savings of c £1.5m over the next 3 years. CCC Budget: The Joint Administration is to proposing a 4.99% rise in order to close the authority's £16m budget gap this year. Next year's funding gap is likely to be even worse. 4.99% would mean an extra charge of £1.04 per week for a Band B, and £1.19 for a Band C household. More than half of all homes in Cambridgeshire are in these two bands. Local government experts who visited in summer highlighted that historic decisions not to raise council tax in previous years had led to significant ongoing lost income to support services. The council is also proposing to set up and spend a £14m fund over the next five years to tackle inequality, improve lives and care for the environment.

2202/07	<p>Fire Authority Budget: Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Fire Authority is asking residents to have their say on proposals to increase the fire service's share of council tax for 2022/23. The Service is looking for a below inflation increase of £1.44 (around 2%) for the year, making the total contribution for the year £74.97 for a resident living in a Band D property.</p> <p>Police Budget: Police funding comes from two main sources: 56% from central government (excluding specific grants) and the remainder from the policing part of council tax. In line with government guidance, the PCC is asking for people's views on his proposed increase of £10 per year (83p per month based on a Band D property). This, together with an increase of £4.8m from government (excluding specific grants), would enable the Chief Constable to further maintain, invest and support in three key areas.</p> <p>20's Plenty : Progress on introducing new 20mph speed limits to improve transport safety in Cambridgeshire was discussed at the Highways and Transport Committee on Jan 25th. The Council is looking to establish a new process for the implementation of 20mph schemes. This would allow third parties – such as Parish Councils - to make an application for a 20mph limit in their chosen area, with a number of schemes then progressing following a period of assessment and prioritisation.</p> <p>Health and social care reforms juggling act_A major reorganization of health and social care is happening now, with legislation in the process of passing through Parliament.</p> <p>The reforms include raising money through the National Insurance contributions that working people pay; widening eligibility for County-funded social care from about 4% of the population now to an estimated 14%, in Cambridgeshire (which must be paid for of course); and requiring the local NHS (our local GPs, hospitals, etc) and the Local Public Health and Social Care Authority (Cambridgeshire County Council) to collaborate and integrate, and think at a 'neighbourhood' level.</p> <p>Updates</p> <p>a. Parish Review.</p> <p>Cecilia Murphy-Roads from the Development Office Sustainable Communities Team kindly joined the meeting to discuss the options available to the Village with regard to the new development.</p> <p>Residents have voiced their concerns of whether Hinxton would keep its identity when the new houses were built. It is important that Hinxton will not lose its voice.</p> <p>There are 3 possible options:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Do nothing and remain one Parish 2 Become a warded Parish -the new development would become a ward of Hinxton and the number of Parish Councillors be increased, this is what is happening with Thriplow and Heathfield. 3 Create a whole new Parish for the new development and Hinxton to remain as a separate Parish Council <p>This would require a Community Governance Review which averages 6-12 months and results come into being at the next election so this means based on the likely occupations of the site starting from 2024 a CGR from now would be ready for the 2026 elections is feasible.</p> <p>A Neighbourhood Development plan could be a more appropriate next step for the Parish Council/ Community. It does not negate a possible CGR but could be undertaken in advance of one.</p>
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	<p>The key distinction between a Neighbourhood Plan and a Community-Led plan is that it gives the local community power to prepare a planning document that will be part of the statutory development plan for the district and, therefore, can be used in deciding planning applications for a local area. A neighbourhood plan cannot promote less development than the Local Plan but may help to manage it in a way more suitable to the community.</p> <p>Details here: simple table explaining differences between Neighbourhood and Community-Led plans.</p> <p>A Neighbourhood Development Plan takes longer, between 18 months and three years to complete so starting on that earlier may be preferable, since both a Community-Led Plan and a Neighbourhood Plan require some kind of community engagement / survey, these processes <i>could</i> be twin-tracked.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> b. Wellcome Trust Campus Development Comments re the various strategy papers have been sent in, now awaiting responses. Traffic: It is thought that there will be approx. 1050 workers on the site when the development begins and 185 vehicles. Traffic will be told not to use the villages as a cut through, there will be financial sanctions on construction traffic using the villages. There will be a traffic management plan and a liaison officer in due course. Lighting: external lighting plans have been drawn up, we would also like to see internal lighting plans. We have been told there will not be floodlights, except for the football pitch. We want lighting kept to a minimum to preserve the dark sky as much as possible. A planning consultant has now been appointed, this to be paid for by Wellcome. c. Village Hall-Leaflets have now been printed, it was agreed to pay for this to be distributed to residents to ensure that everyone received one in time. d. Local Wellcome matters: Liaison meeting, Wetlands Committee. e. Minutes have been posted on the website, along with diary of events coming up. Information on the BioBlitz: invite spokesperson to come to the next PC meeting to let everyone know what this about. f. Playground- nothing to report. g. Highways and Local Highways Improvement application This has now been scored by the LHI panel and we await their decision. h. Hinxton News- no one has yet come forward to take this on. i. Village Hall- repairs and ongoing maintenance. Clerk is seeking tenders for the repairs. j. A505 Report- should be hearing in April. k. Monthly Parish Council meetings- should these be continued as monthly meetings or return to two-monthly dates Deferred until next meeting
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2202/08

I. Any other Village matters.

The Parish Council and all at the meeting expressed their sadness and condolences at the sudden passing of Stephen Trudgill who has served for many years on the Parish Council. He will be deeply missed. A eulogy has been written by Chris Elliott and posted on the website.

New items for discussion

1. Platinum Jubilee- discuss forming a committee from the villagers to plan celebrations.

This will be a Tea – bring and share- on the 5th June at the Village Hall. A committee will be set up by Rosemary Breen and a meeting held approx. 2 months before this date for final details.

2. Community Action & Community-led Plan or biodiversity project. Grants available and a virtual [event on 7 March](#). The event will showcase more ideas for community action projects and provide information about the difference between a ‘Neighbourhood’ and ‘Community-Led’ Plan. This may be useful in regards to the previous Agenda item on the Parish review. Please ask Clerk for more details if anyone wishes to join the event

3. Village Calendar. Person needed to collate Village events and dates and give to Brad Charteris for posting on website each month in advance. Julia Lowndes has kindly agreed to do this.

4. There are some concerns about the IWM building plans and a guided bus going round the back of Hinxton and Ickleton- what is the situation?

2202/09

Chairs Report.

2202/10

FINANCE

Bank Balances at 31st Jan 2022

Current A/C £27652.32

Business /AC £11,040.82

Village Hall sec 106 /AC £7560.49

2202/11

Payments for approval

All Payments approved and signed off.

EON	Utilities- Electric	£8.61
Clerk/HMRC	salary/expenses – wreath £20	£464.48
Haven/Drax	Street Lighting	£1.81
1 & 1 internet	Emails	£4.20
Crown gas and Power	Utilities -Gas	£47.43
Global Collect	McAfee	£75.99
SLCC	Subs	£144
SLCC	Training day	£54
Hugo Fox	Website	£35.99
CPRE	Subs	£36.00

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2202/13	Planning Applications Received . None										
2202/14	Decision Notices Approved Reference: 21/05032/HFUL Proposal: Conversion of existing stable and tack room to a home office ancillary to main dwelling Site address: 37 High Street Hinxton Saffron Walden Cambridgeshire Further to previous correspondence relating to the above matter I write to inform you that this application was Granted Permission on 20 January 2022. To view the planning decision notice and the case officer’s report please visit https://applications.greatercambridgeplanning.org/online-applications/PLAN/21/05032/HFUL .										
2202/15	Items to report for inclusion in the next meeting Dates of future meetings- keep at monthly or bi-monthly? Bioblitz(wetlands) Results of the survey										
2202/16	Dates of next Meetings 7.30pm Village Hall: <table><tr><td>Full Parish Council Meeting</td><td>14th Mar 2022</td></tr><tr><td>Planning meeting</td><td>28th Mar 2022</td></tr><tr><td>Annual Meeting of the Parish Council & Annual Parish Meeting</td><td>9th May 2022</td></tr><tr><td>Planning meeting</td><td>13th June 2022</td></tr><tr><td>Full Parish Council Meeting</td><td>11th July 2022</td></tr></table> Part II: Confidential Information Exclusion of the Press and the Public: To resolve that in accordance with Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 and by reason of the confidential nature of the remainder of the business, the Press and the Public be excluded from the meeting.	Full Parish Council Meeting	14 th Mar 2022	Planning meeting	28 th Mar 2022	Annual Meeting of the Parish Council & Annual Parish Meeting	9 th May 2022	Planning meeting	13 th June 2022	Full Parish Council Meeting	11 th July 2022
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Signature *Anne Charteris* Parish Clerk 14th Feb 2022