

HINXTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Hinxton Parish Council held on the 12th January 2015

Present:

Acting Chairman: Dr Steven Trudgill District Councillor Mr Tony Orgee
Mrs Virginia Walker County Councillor Mr Peter Topping
Mr Julian Bright
Mr William Brown
Mr Roy Ellis
Clerk: Mrs Anne Angell

1. Apologies for absence

Mr Mark Alexander
Mrs Barbara Fagg

2. Declaration of Members' Interests

None

3. To approve and sign minutes of meeting held on Monday 10th November 2014

Minutes approved and signed (with 2 small amendments noted)

4. Matters arising:

Updates- Ford, Problems persist with the gates not being opened and shut in timely manner. Still no concrete pathway around the gate at Duxford End

Flooding now appears to be sorted at both ends of village.

Footpath renewal near Village Hall, still no date set for this work to be done.

Wellcome Trust Liaison Meeting. Plans for the proposed new building applied for were discussed, hedge down Ancient Lane to be cut hopefully in Feb/March.

Mileage allowance set at 20p per mile to cover costs of Councillors travelling on Council business.

Parish Planning Training sessions to be held at Sawston Village College. Clerk to attend.

Village Hall painting exterior, Clerk to obtain 3 quotes for exterior woodwork, ST to discuss with Village Hall Comm, if they had thoughts on the brickwork being painted as well

Any Issues from Street Lighting? Nothing reported or known about.

Support for Natural Cambridgeshire Group. Agreed to support, ST offered to represent PC if required.

Hinxton Website, JB had looked at this, BT offered free website for Community bodies, it will soon be a legal requirement to publish full Minutes on a Villages Website and it would also be a good place to make Hinxton residents aware of any interesting or useful information which is regularly received but too long for the Newsletter.

New Councillors training for coming year booked.

Precept set at £10350 for next financial year

Final sum given by Parish Council to re-roofing of Village Hall was £2512. Village Hall Com paid £580 towards the Insulation.

Allotments. All rental fees now received

Superfast Broadband, this should be rolled out to Hinxton between Sept and Dec 2015, details on the Connecting Cambridgeshire Website.

Chairmans' report .

ST to stand down as Allotment representative, WB offered to take over this role from now on.

Hinxton PC has been asked to nominate 2 people to attend the Buckingham Palace Garden Party, it was unanimously agreed to nominate Roy and Mary Ellis in acknowledgement of his long service as Councillor.

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Virginia Walker has also sadly given her notice to resign at the end of this electoral year (May).
A note to be put in Hinxtton News to see if anyone interested in joining the Parish Council.
The Village Hall Committee has reported that water usage has risen over the last 2 years, this may be due to the increased number of Hall bookings and all Allotment holders will also be reminded to use water carefully and make sure taps turned off when used. (It was afterwards remembered that the new grass in the playground had to be watered)

5. Public Session

No residents present

6. Finance

Current position of Bank Balances at 30th Dec 2014

Current A/C : £4776.57

Business A/C: £11007.90

Bridge A/C: £2000.

Money to pay out-

HMRC £219.96

CPRE subscription £36

CAPALC Councillors training and Clerk training £245

Payments owing

Allotments £15.00

Village Hall Utilities £133.1

Planning Applications

Wellcome Trust, Erection of Research and Development Building together with Ancillary Facilities and Infrastructure. S/2968/14/RM

Wellcome Trust, Installation of Water Attenuation Tank and Associated Infrastructure, S/3018/14/FL

No problems noted , it was agreed to send Parish Councils approval

Councillor reports:

Councillor Peter Topping County Council

Message received from Highways to say that padlock had been removed by persons unknown with boltcroppers and a delivery van had then become stuck in Ford. He will try to arrange a meeting between Highways and Environment Agency to discuss possible solutions.

The gritting routes this year remain unchanged.

7a bus routes, despite Whippet being taken over, Council has assured that no routes or buses will be changed.

Flint Cross fire, although this doesn't affect Hinxtton as such, the owners are being prosecuted.

Councillor Tony Orgee District Council

Community Chest, still money available for small grants, Hinxtton to think about anything that might be needed.

AOB.

War Memorial was damaged by a tradesmans van, Clerk to contact them as they offered to repair but as yet nothing has been done

Meeting closed at 9pm

Date of next meeting: 9th March 2015 19.45 Hinxtton Village Hall

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