

HAYTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON MONDAY 13th JULY 2015

Present: Councillor P Wilson, Chairman. Cllrs Barthorpe, Otter, Smith & Burton.
In attendance: Mr J W Haddon, Parish Clerk, PCSO Airey, Dist Cllr K Sutton, Cty Cllr E Yates (part) & 4 members of the public.

15/016 Apologies

Apologies were received from Parish Cllr Fletcher (Holiday).

15/017 Declaration of Interests & Applications for Dispensation

Cllr Burton declared an interest in item 11(b) & Cllr Otter an interest in 11(c)

15/018 Minutes of a Meeting of the Council

Resolved: That the minutes of a meeting of the Council, held on 11th May 2015 be approved as a correct record. The minutes were duly signed by the Chairman.

15/019 Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

15/020 To Receive Reports from Police, District and County Cllrs.

Cllr Yates informed the council of the proposed changes to the County Divisions by the Boundary Commission. There are none which affect Hayton.

She was also able to report on a downturn of the number of HGV's that use Smeath Lane, it was thought that new weight and speed limit signs were alleviating the problem. There is also a proposal to erect a new road gantry before Welham to prevent high sided vehicles taking the approach to the low bridge.

On a further matter Cllr Yates said that she had funding available for any organisations within the village that were in need of financial assistance.

Cllr Sutton reported that she had recently attended a meeting with the planners where grievances re Smeath Lane were aired. In reply, the planners said that there was little that they could do as they were bound by Government and Highways legislation.

At the recent Rural Conference, Cllr Sutton said that the subject of 'Rural Isolation' was discussed especially with regard to transport provision and a limited jobs market.

PCSO Airey once again reported that crime in the area was very low, there being just one reported crime for the period. He reminded everyone that during the current period of hot weather it was important that everyone remain vigilant and not leave windows in vehicles and dwellings open.

15/021 Correspondence

(a) LG Boundary Commission, changes to divisional borders, (b) Daneshill Lakes, donation request for nature reserve, (c) Manor Barn Fund, donation re defibrillators

Resolved: All items were noted. Item (a) was placed in the reading file, (b) & (c) were to be discussed under finance.

15/022 Community Led Plan

The Chairman reported on his meeting with a solicitor re the legal title of the Parish Fields, it would cost in the region of £2000. The Clerk produced documents from the Land Registry regarding adverse possession, these could be completed in-house and a small fee would be payable to register the land. Some doubts were expressed on the simplicity of this, the view being that if it was proving difficult the Parish Council would be better engaging a specialist solicitor to complete the task.

Resolved: Cllrs Wilson & Barthorpe to complete the required documents, with a caveat to seek professional help if necessary, committing up to £1000.

Cllr Smith produced and commented on his report on speeding through the village. Census cables had been laid for a period and the statistics compiled indicated that speeding was an issue.

Notts CC have indicated that the village qualifies for a flashing speed sign but that funding would not be available until 2016/17. Back to back signs were available but the Parish Council would have to fund the second sign.

Resolved: To accept the offer of a single sign and to approach Notts CC with a match-funding proposal for the second one.

15/023 Finance

Resolved: That the following accounts be approved for payment:

- (i) Zurich Insurance - £487.14; Chq 0779
- (ii) G Barthorpe, Newsletter - £70.00; Chq 0780
- (iii) Nth Notts Landscapes, Grasscutting - £494.40; Chq 0781
- (iv) E.On, Electricity - £17.12; Chq 0782

- (v) J W Haddon, Salary May/Jun - £353.40; Chq 0783
- (vi) Isle of Axholme, Drainage charges - £12.86; Chq 0784
- (vii) Notts ALC, Subscription - £17.00; Chq 0785
- (viii) J Tofts, Village Signs - £90.00; Chq 0786

Cheques were raised, signed and the accounts agreed for payment.

Balances on the account were agreed at: Current a/c - £12,898.18

A discussion ensued around the two recent requests for donations, everyone was of the opinion that support should be given to these two causes under S137.

Resolved: £20 to Daneshill Lakes Nature Reserve (DO & PW), £25 to Manor Barn CAF (PW & GB)

15/024 Parish Fields & Associated Works

The grass on Gypsy Field had been mowed, baled and removed at no cost to the Parish Council.

15/025 Highways & Footpaths

The Paths Warden, Mr H Oates presented a detailed report on the current state of the footpaths/byways around the village. Throughout his investigations he was able to identify the eroded areas, which were mainly on green tracks which get churned up very easily. In conversation with Notts CC he was informed that there is very limited funding available to repair. Local landowners have offered to assist at no cost provided materials are supplied.

There are three main areas which need urgent works doing, the CC may schedule the works and repair over the next few years.

The least expensive option is to undertake the work in-house with the help of the landowners; or get the CC to do the work at three times the cost.

Resolved: The report to be forwarded to Notts CC via the Chairman with a view to opening discussions on the matter.

15/026 Planning

- (a) **App No. 14/01423/FUL – Cordall Lane, retain two temporary buildings – Pending Decision**
- (b) **App No. 14/01434/FUL – Fishing Lakes Land at Tiln, locating a mobile home for use of site supervisor – REFUSED.**
- (c) **App No. 26/08/00011/FUL – Removal of Condition 4 (re outside waste storage) – Pending Decision**

(d) App No. 15/00459/HSE – Old Vicarage, Church Lane, internal alterations and construction of gateway. – GRANT

There was nothing further to add re these planning applications, although Cllrs expressed dismay at the length of time some were taking to reach a decision.

15/027 Bus Shelter

The poor state of repair of the shelter had been raised previously by Cllr Fletcher, it was felt that this was a CC issue. Cllr Wilson commented that he'd had a conversation with Cty Cllr Yates on the matter some time ago, he endeavoured to raise the matter with her once again.

15/028 Urgent Matters of Concern

None

15/029 Dates of Future Meetings

Proposed future meetings to be held on
7th Sept; 2nd Nov; 4th Jan 2016; 7th March.

The meeting closed at 21.15