

HERMITAGE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON AUGUST 20TH 2015.

Present.

Ms R Cottingham Chairman
Mr D Brown, Miss A Goldsmith, Dr J Lawler, Mr R Marr, Mrs S Russell,

Mr CW Goudge Clerk

There was no member of the public present.

51 Public Forum.

The new buildings at Tall Trees are not being built according to the approved planning application. WBC is investigating.

There is a possibly unreliable dog in the Village which should be controlled The dog warden at WBC will be contacted for advice.

52 Apologies for absence.

There were no apologies for absence.

53 Minutes of the last meeting held on July 16th 2015.

The minutes had been circulated were agreed as correct and signed by the Chairman.

54 Matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting not referred to elsewhere.

No matters were raised.

55 The report from the West Berkshire Councillor

A report was not presented.

56 Planning.

New planning applications

HERE MISS GOLDSMITH DECLARED A PERSONAL INTEREST AND LEFT THE MEETING

15/01875/HOUSE Karusel, Hampstead Norreys Road.
Replace bungalow with new dwelling.

Objections

HERE MISS GOLDSMITH REJOINED THE MEETING

15/01953/HOUSE Haycroft, High Street
S.73 Variation of condition 2 to
increase kitchen size.

No objections

Adjacent Parish.

15/00858/FULD Land North of M4.
Change of use to Traveller's site

Objections

Other matters.

The report for the WBC preferred site consultation is due in September.

57 Burial Ground

There were no matters to discuss.

58 Finance.

- i Receipts.
None
- ii Payments authorised.

SCS	Grasscutting	£200.40
Contractors	Maintenance	£659.75
WBCS	Donation	£75.00
Barlow & Sons	Materials	£40.92
HMRC	PAYE	£72.68
C.W.Goudge	Sal & exes	£326.69
- iii Other matters
 - i The Statement of Receipts & Payments to date was noted.

59 Highways.**New matters.**

- i FOI enquiry.
WBC has had an enquiry from a Parishioner under the FOI Act asking whether the Council had made any other comments besides those in minutes or at the APA, for instance in a Newsletter. WBC has been told that there do not appear to be any further comments.

60 Environment.**Matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting.**

Minute 46.

- i New Village Hall.
It appears that the Council will not be responsible for any funds required under the Contract retention. The CIO expects to request a take up of grant funds to the limit of borrowing from PWLB.
There is a formal opening of the Hall in September.
- ii Recreation and wooded areas.
The WP has reported on activity since the last meeting.
There has been an amount of rubbish left in the woods which Volunteers are to help clear up.
SCS has been asked to spike or slit the recreation area in September and Autumn feed. A formal quote has been requested. The figures which were mentioned last year were some £800 for the spiking and some £250 for the feed.
- iii Furze Hill.
It was decided to put two signs to try and combat the increasing amount of dog faeces in and round the recreation area. It was also decided to ask the WBC Dog Warden for practical advice.
There are two quotes for a tree survey and it was decided to accept the quote from Venners Arboriculture at a budget figure of £1,000. The survey would be in the Autumn to allow fungi to be seen.
- iv Pinewood play area.
The quote from Playground Services would be accepted in part with a budget of some £825. Playground Services would also be asked to carry out some minor work at Furze Hill with a budget of some £70.
- v Youth Club.
There was nothing new to report.

- vi Tree maintenance.
The Council's trees will be inspected in the Autumn and any work which is the Council's responsibility will be carried out.
- vii Scout Hut.
It was decided to install a check meter for the water supply to the Scout Hut. A quote will be sought for the next meeting.

61 Correspondence received since the last meeting not referred to elsewhere.

There was no further correspondence.

62 Reports from Parish Council Representatives who had attended meetings of Outside Bodies on behalf of the Parish Council.

There were no reports.

63 Items to be raised by Councillors.

Suggestions will be welcome for the Parish Council presence at the official opening of the new Village Hall.

64 Date of the next meeting.

Thursday September 17th

at 7.30pm in the Adelaide Room, Holy Trinity Church.

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