

HERMITAGE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON JULY 16th 2015.

Present.

Ms R Cottingham	Chairman
Mr D. Brown	
Miss A. Goldsmith	
Dr J Lawler	
Mrs S Russell	
Mr G Pask	District Councillor
Mr Q Webb	District Councillor
Mr C W Goudge	Clerk

There were no members of the public present.

37 Public Forum.

There were no members of the public present.

38 Apologies for absence.

Mr Marr had presented an apology for absence.

39 Minutes of the last meeting held on June 18th 2015.

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

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

Minute 26.

- i Hermitage Planning Implementation Group.
There had been a meeting this week. General status was discussed. The Group will be running out of funds shortly.
Council decided to make a grant of £500 to the Group.
- ii Broadband.
WBC has signed a new contract with a Contractor other than BT. It is hoped that this will enable coverage of areas which BT deemed uneconomic. Coverage is forecast to start late 2016.

41 The report from the District Councillor.

A formal report was not presented.

There were questions from Councillors about biker noise and also about the progress of the shared cycle track which Mr Webb had investigated.

42 Planning.

Decisions from the Planning Authority

15.01232/HOUSE	Hope Cottage, High Street. Extension	Approval
15/01775/OUTD	Karusel, Hampstead Norreys Road Demolition & replacement	Invalid

New planning applications.

15/01279/HOUSE	The Gabled House, Yattendon Road. Height increase for section of fence	No objections
15/01754/HOUSE	Brackenveldt, Hampstead Norreys Road. Extension & alterations	No objections
15/01756/HOUSE	Cedars, Deacons lane. Extension & alterations.	No objections
15/1759/CERTE	Hope Cottage, High Street. Continuing use of land as garden.	Observations
Council commented that no factual evidence had been produced to fully support the application and that the document which had been attached was irrelevant.		

Other matters.

- i WBC SHLAA and DPD.
Reports now forecast for consultation sometime around September.

43 Burial Ground.

There were no matters raised.

44 Finance.

- i Receipts.

Lloyds Bank	Quarterly Interest	£220.55
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- ii Payments authorised.

SCS	Grasscutting	£200.40
Contractors	Maintenance	£574.75
Thames Water	Burial ground	£5.46
HPIG	Grant	£500.00
HMRC	PAYE	£72.68
C.W.Goudge	Sal & exes	£359.50
- iii Other matters
 - i The Statement of Receipts & Payments to date was noted

45 Highways.**Matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting.**

Minute 31.

- i Shared cycle track.
It appeared that the implementation would be a lengthy process. Mr Webb was thanked for his research and asked to keep the Council informed of any future progress.

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

Minute 32.

- i New Hermitage Village Hall.
PreSchool has relocated to the New Hall.
The stones tipped into the woods during construction may not be capable of being moved.
The Hall has WIFI through the broadband link.
There is a formal opening on September 12th.
Council asked if a Fire Brigade vehicle could get up to the recreation area for the Opening. It was believed so but care would be needed not to damage the ground.

- ii Furze Hill.
There is a post down round the field and it was decided to ask the Contractors to replace it.
- iii Pinewood play area.
The quotes received for equipment repairs are being assessed.
The request by Jacobs for payment of rent for space under the railway arch is ongoing.
- iv Scout hut.
Council has not been able to find a water check meter for the water supply which originates with BT. This has been reported to BT. Council will make further enquiries. It appears a check meter will have to be installed by the Council to comply with the lease.
- v Tree maintenance.
The inspection of Council owned trees is to take place in the Autumn.
- vi Youth Club and BAYC.
The Council is a member of BAYC and needs to know their plans. BAYC will be asked to contact Debbie.

New matters

- i School bus charges.
WBC has arbitrarily drawn a line thorough the Village determining which residents would need to pay for School transport.
This appears to be an extraordinary delineation and Council strongly objected to its present form. Mr Pask had already taken the case up with WBC.
- ii Footpath 16.
A resident has complained about the unsightly product of nettle trimming alongside the path. WBC Rights of Way is investigating.
- iii Noise from bikers.
The annual meeting of bikers produces noise which is disproportionate and it was felt that a different approach route would solve this problem. Environment at WBC would be contacted.

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

Restorative Justice – information packs.
Clerks and Councils Direct - newsmag
The correspondence was discussed and where appropriate placed into circulation.

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

There were no reports.

49 Items to be raised by Councillors.

There were no further matters raised.

50 Date of the next meeting.

Thursday August 20th at 7.30 in the Adelaide Room, Holy Trinity Church.

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Chairman

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Date