

Minutes of the meeting of Hertingfordbury Parish Council held on Wednesday 9 April 2008 at 7.52pm in Hertingfordbury Cowper JMI School, Birch Green

PRESENT: Cllrs R Lester (Chairman), C Edwards, E Bradbury, N Hunt, P Rochford and J Raymond

In attendance: the clerk, Mr G Irwin

137. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllrs Bonner, Edgell, Jones and Morris

138. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

139. ELECTORS' COMMENTS

None.

140. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 12 March 2008 be confirmed and signed by the chairman as a correct record.

141. MATTERS ARISING

141.1 (Minute 131.1) Cllr Rochford will speak to the owner of the land adjoining Deadfield Lane once the present work is complete.

141.2 (Minutes 136.2, 136.3 and 136.4) Noted that no reply had been received in response to the letters or request for a quotation.

141.3 All other matters had either been actioned or were separate agenda items.

142. FINANCE

142.1 The financial statement was received and noted. The clerk informed members that all NatWest bank accounts had now been closed and all funds were now held in a single interest-bearing account with Cater Allen.

142.2 There were no payments to be made.

143. PLANNING

An update on planning applications was received and noted.

144. REPORTS

144.1 Crossings and Greens: Concern was expressed at the widths of the driveways at 23, 25 and the Parsonage, Birch Green.

144.2 Highways and Byways: Nothing to report.

144.3 Play Area: Cllr Jones had reported that the play area was in good state and the clerk has received notification that the annual RoSPA inspection will take place in May.

144.4 Waterhall: Nothing further to report.

144.5 Walter Wallinger's Charity: Nothing to report.

144.6 Neighbourhood Watch: Nothing to report.

144.7 War Memorial: Nothing to report.

144.8 Greens Car Park: Nothing to report. The chairman would contact Lafarge for an update.

145. CORRESPONDENCE

Nothing of note.

146. MATTERS TO NOTE OR FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION

146.1 The clerk was asked to report flytipping of two red sofas along the Old Coach Road between Birch Green and B&T Motors.

146.2 The clerk was asked to report to Rights of Way a tree obstructing footpath 9 behind the picnic area off Cole Green way.

146.3 The clerk was asked to write, fax or email BP Mitchell to inform the company that residents would be photographing HGVs using Letty Green as a shortcut during the B158 closures starting Monday 14 April.

146.4 The clerk informed members that preparations were underway for the annual audit and that a competitive quotation was being sought for the council's insurance.

146.5 Cllr Edwards tendered her apologies for the next meeting.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.30pm

Signed

Dated