

**Minutes of the meeting of Hertingfordbury Parish Council held on Wednesday 12 March 2008 at 8.00pm in Hertingfordbury Cowper JMI School, Birch Green**

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PRESENT: Cllrs R Lester (Chairman), E Bradbury, S Edgell, R Morris and P Rochford

In attendance: the clerk, Mr G Irwin

127. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllrs Bonner, Edwards, Hunt, Jones and Raymond, and from District Councillor Haysey.

128. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

129. ELECTORS' COMMENTS

None.

130. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 13 February 2008 be confirmed and signed by the chairman as a correct record.

131. MATTERS ARISING

131.1 (Minute 118.1) Cllr Rochford will speak to the owner of the land adjoining Deadfield Lane once the present work is complete.

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

132. FINANCE

132.1 A financial statement was received and noted.

132.2 RESOLVED that one payment made since the last meeting £352.50 to Rochfords for repairs to East End Green Way and one payment due £843.96 to GR Irwin for 4<sup>th</sup> quarter's salary and expenses be approved.

133. PLANNING

An update on planning applications was received and noted. Noted that no objections had been raised in response to applications 3/08/0235 and 3/08/0267, in accordance with standing order 76A.

134. REPORTS

134.1 Crossings and Greens: A reply to the PC's letter regarding cars parked on the green by the B&B in Birch Green was read out; the clerk was asked to write acknowledging the reply.

134.2 Highways and Byways: It was reported that Cllr Bonner had received further communication from HCC solicitor Janet Briscoe requesting clarification on the areas of land involved in the proposed land swap.

134.3 Play Area: Nothing to report.

134.4 Waterhall: Nothing further to report.

134.5 Walter Wallinger's Charity: Nothing to report; the next meeting is on April 7.

134.6 Neighbourhood Watch: Nothing to report.

134.7 War Memorial: Nothing to report.

1234.8 Greens Car Park: Nothing to report.

135. CORRESPONDENCE

Nothing of note.

136. MATTERS TO NOTE OR FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION

136.1 The clerk was asked to report again to Highways the overgrown footpaths at Cumberland Green and Staines Green.

136.2 The clerk was asked to obtain a quote from EHDC for the removal of graffiti in the bus shelters.

136.3 Cllrs Lester reported that there had been two instances of groups of men shooting rabbits and pheasants from footpaths in the Cole Green and Letty Green area. The clerk was asked to write to the landowner, Gascoyne Cecil Estates, asking if permission had been given for shooting on their land and pointing out that it is an offence to shoot on rights of way and to shoot pheasants out of season..

136.4 Several complaints had been received that the relief postman has been parking on the village greens at Cole Green and Letty Green. The clerk was asked to write to the delivery office asking that relief postmen are instructed not to park on the greens. It was emphasised that it was not Malcolm the regular postman.

136.5 The clerk informed members that the East Herts Rural Parish Conference would be on 29 May, 9.30am to 4pm in Standon and Puckeridge Community Centre.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.35pm

Signed

Dated