



Minutes of the meeting of Hertingfordbury Parish Council held on Wednesday 12th June 2013 at 7.30 pm in Hertingfordbury Cowper JMI School, Birch Green

PRESENT: Cllrs Edwards, O'Leary, Barden, Brennan, Morris, Jones, Edgell, Blake, Bradbury
3 electors and the clerk, Tom Brindley.

16. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr P Rochford - Away

17. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

17.1. Members were reminded of the code of conduct regarding disclosable interests.

17.2. Mrs P Harrison had planted the Coronation tree at Cole Green to mark the Diamond anniversary of the coronation. The ceremony was well attended. It is proposed to purchase plaques for these trees.

17.3. The tree at Birch Green will be planted in the autumn.

18. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

18.1. Mr and Mrs R Grover 30 Letty Green addressed the council and asked for a licence to cross the green to their property. The matter was referred to the Greens Crossing working party.

18.2. Mrs Brenda Smith addressed the council regarding motorcycles and anti-social behaviour on the Cole green Way. The clerk was asked to invite representatives from the police, the county council and the Countryside management Service to the next meeting of the council.

18.3. Mrs Brenda Smith addressed the council concerning piece of play equipment that was seized and no longer rotated freely.

19. MINUTES OF MEETING 8TH MAY

The minutes were amended to include an annexe showing appointments to committees and outside bodies and were then agreed as a true record of the meeting and were signed by the chairman.

20. MATTERS ARISING

East End Green. The crossing had been repaired to a satisfactory recreational standard.

21. WORK PROGRAMME FOR 2013-14

21.1. The clerk had obtained indicative pricing for goals. Cllr O'Leary agreed to advise on the optimum size and construction. The progress on the 2013 work programme was noted.

22. FINANCE

22.1. The financial report to 31st May 2013 was noted.

22.2. Five payments were approved: see attached list.

22.3. The external audit had been completed. The report was with the BDO audit director for routine sign-off but the clerk had been advised the audit verdict was satisfactory.

23. PLANNING

23.1. The planning report was presented noted.



23.2. Three applications were considered:

23.3.3/13/0514 29 Woolmers Lane. Members **RESOLVED** to object as the development was contrary to policies OSV3 and GB1 of the local plan.

23.4.3/13/0862/FP and LB 30 Letty Green. Cllr Barden declared an interest as a neighbour. Members had no objection to the development.

23.5.3/13/0716 The Elms, Pipers End. Members had no objections.

23.6. Land off the Old Coach Rd. Cllrs Edgell and O'Leary had received a copy of a letter from the planning inspector to East Herts council asking for its opinion on the effect of revocation of the Regional Spatial Strategy to the case. The clerk was asked to write to East Herts Council seeking a copy of the response.

24. EAST HERTS LOCAL PLAN

24.1. There will be a meeting of the working group in July with a likely draft plan put out for consultation in September.

25. PLAY AREA ANNUAL SAFETY INSPECTION

25.1. The annual safety inspection report had been received and raised no major concerns. There was some wear on a swing shackle and some tress on the perimeter required attention.

26. REPORTS

26.1. **Crossing and Greens:** Nothing to report.

26.2. **Highways:**

- a. The pothole opposite the school, was still causing concerns. The clerk was asked to invite County Cllr K Crofton to the July meeting.
- b. Three objections had been received by the occupier's solicitor regarding diversion of footpath 8. The council considered the objections and **RESOLVED** to continue its support of the diversion route.

26.3. **Play Area:** Nothing to report.

26.4. **Water Hall:** Nothing to report.

26.5. **Walter Wallinger Charity:** Nothing to report.

26.6. **Panshanger Quarry:** A new organisation: The Friend of Panshanger Quarry, was being formed to monitor the reinstatement of the quarry as a public park. The council was invited to appoint a representative. Cllr H Blake was appointed to represent the council.

26.7. **Car Parking at Birch Green**

- a. School warning signs have been installed on The Old Coach Rd.
- b. It was noted that parking by weekend pool users is an on-going issue but this does bring in revenue to the school. The matter had been referred to the resources committee.

27. GREENS CROSSINGS WORKING PARTY

27.1. Cllr O'Leary was co-opted to serve on the working party.

27.2. The working party will meet on Thursday 20th June..



28. CORRESPONDENCE

The Chilterns Area magazine was circulated. All other correspondence had been circulated by email.

29. MATTERS TO NOTE OR FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION

29.1. The new school hall will be officially opened on 21st June.

29.2. Parish Council meetings will probably be switched to the new hall from September.

Meeting closed 9.20 p.m.

Signed: _____ Date: _____



Payments Approved

<u>Payee</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>CQ</u>	<u>Net</u>	<u>VAT</u>	<u>Gross</u>
T Brindley	Expenses	400036	25.40	3.00	28.40
TONKS	Payroll admin	DD	19.50	3.90	23.40
TONKS	Payroll	DD	850.34	0.00	850.34
Frank Cooper & Sons	Grass cutting	400037	495.00	99.00	594.00
LADKARN	East End Green	400038	450.00	90.00	540.00
Playsafety Ltd	Play area inspection	400039	86.00	17.20	103.20
		Totals	1926.24	213.10	2139.34