

Hindolveston Parish Council

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Present:

Chip Davison, Trevor Leeder (Chair), Zara Leeder, Peter Patten, Mary Walsh (Vice-Chair)
and: David Ramsbotham (County Cllr) and five members of the public

Meeting of Hindolveston Parish Council in the Millennium Pavilion, Rec Ground
at 7.30 pm on **Thursday 17 March 2016**

MINUTES

Welcome from the Chair

- 1) Apologies from Steven Ward (District Cllr) and PCSO Shane Artingstall.
- 2) Declarations of pecuniary interest in any of the agenda items listed below.
- 3) The Minutes of the previous meeting (18 February 2016) were approved and signed.
- 4) The Chair adjourned the meeting to allow members of the public, PCSO, District and County Councillors to speak.

Police report: no calls and no crimes recorded since the previous meeting.

D Ramsbotham (NCCllr):

- o political set up at the County Council was finely balanced with 41 in the Rainbow Alliance, 41 Conservatives and 2 non-aligned
- o cross party support for the 2016-17 Budget
- o County Council is working with the police on a campaign to protect children from neglect and abuse
- o Fibre optic broadband was now available in the village. (The Vice-chair noted that it was not as fast as it should be).
- o Parish Partnership Scheme for Highway improvements would be available again for next year with 50:50 share of costs between County and Parish Council.
- o NDR should be completed in 2018
- o Work in progress for Devolution for an Eastern Region of Norfolk, Suffolk and Cambridgeshire (excluding the city of Cambridge).

S Ward (NNDClIr) written report:

NNDC has released £1 million towards better broadband for Norfolk (bbfn), there are scheduled works across the county in the next rollout and work seems to be progressing well. At February's Full Council the budget was set out and agreed, council tax remains frozen for the forthcoming year with no increase. There are also planned meetings to discuss the upcoming ward Boundaries for our district. As I am aware, there will be consultation with all parish councils regarding this.

A member of the public pointed out that the Parish Council had missed a golden opportunity to do something for the children at Church Lane by not following through on the ownership of the land at Church Lane which was subsequently sold to the neighbouring property owner. He questioned the clerk's competence over the previous three years as he had been able to get all the information about the ownership and sale including the specified height of the fence by one telephone call to Victory Housing.

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Parish Councillors noted that it was a missed opportunity but the problem had been with the ditch. Concern was also raised about the oak tree that had been cut down encroachment of the fence onto the Highway (the path for the children was lost, cars attending funerals at the church were no longer able to park and visibility was restricted). The County Councillor confirmed that that the encroachment on to the Highway had been investigated and that the fence was not in fact encroaching. The Parish Council decided that there it would not pursue the matter further as the land had been sold.

The Chair re-opened the meeting.

5) Highways

- a) Items to report
 - i) Still waiting for potholes on Church Lane to be repaired
 - ii) Large pothole on the edge of road at the gate to the grazing allotments has been filled with rubble which might be hazardous for vehicles because it includes broken tiles etc.

6) Planning Applications

- a) Applications to consider
 - i) Erection of extensions and alterations to dwelling at **Intwood House, Hindolveston Road, Melton Constable** ref: PF/16/0250 and LA/16/0251. No objection.
 - ii) Change of use in part from agricultural to equestrian, erection of stables/storage/tractor shed/barn, first floor accommodation and creations of new access and drive at **Manton Grange, 113 The Street** ref: PF/16/0255. No objection.

b) To note decisions made by North Norfolk District Council none

c) To note that the planning department is investigating the defacement of the **dedication stones** at the Methodist Chapel. A member of the public provided copies of newspaper cuttings with the names etc. These would be sent to the Planning Officer with a further request to have the dedication on the stones re-instated.

7) To note that a **Mobile Post Office** would coming to the village on Tuesdays between 11.20 and 12.20 from mid April. It will be parked in the Village Hall car park (with the Village Hall Committee's consent).

8) Insurance

- a) Three quotes for the renewal of annual insurance for the Parish Council and Recreation Committee were considered. It was agreed to take up the 3-year binding agreement with Hiscox.
 - i) Aviva: £1,101.95
 - ii) Ecclesiastical: £1,157.05
 - iii) Hiscox: £1,049.48 (less 5% for 3-year binding agreement: £997.01)

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9) Financial Business

- a) Accounts: As at 29 February 2016. The balances on bank statements were confirmed as follows:

Business Bonus	6,033.82
Business Premium	113.81
Community A/C	1,981.87

- b) Receipts: none since previous statement.
 c) To note regular payments since previous statement

date	to whom		details	amount
01/02/16	Scooper Dooper	SO	dog waste collection	16.67
11/02/16	E.ON	DD	non-metered supply	28.92
25/02/16	salary and on costs	SOs	salary and on costs	240.39

- d) The following Payments were approved:

	cheque no	£ p
J Otte (expenses)	100690	46.47
J Otte (newsletter March)	100691	9.98
Community Action Norfolk (annual subs)	100692	20.00
Came & Company (insurance premium)	100693	997.01

10) Allotments

- a) It was noted that one allotment holder did not seem to be using the allotment - (perhaps they should be prompted)
 b) It was noted that there were a lot of muntjac deer around.

11) Recreation Ground

- a) To consider applying to the Land Registry for Easement by Prescription on the track to the Recreation Ground. Initial cost: £40 (to apply to change the register). No further progress.
 b) **Hand wash basin** for kitchen in Pavilion. Quote to supply and install a steel basin to the left of the kitchen door was £339.99 plus VAT. It was agreed that this was acceptable. It would be shown to the Rec Committee at their next meeting.
 c) A letter from the Rec Committee was read out regarding financial support from the Parish Council for the install of **CCTV to monitor dog fouling offences**. Various options were considered: paying all of the £1,475 plus VAT, paying half (as suggested) or paying two thirds. However, as the situation seemed to be improving and it was a lot of money to spend, it was agreed that it would be better to leave for another couple of months and then review. In the meantime (another) piece about dog fouling would be put in the newsletter.

12) Street-lighting nothing to report.

13) Items for report or for the next agenda (not for discussion).

- 14) Next Meeting of the Parish Council probably on Wednesday **20 April 2016 at 7.45 pm** (rather than Thursday 21 April 2016 at 7.30 pm) with Annual Parish Meeting in the Millennium Pavilion, Recreation Ground. TBC.

Meeting closed at 8.55pm

Signed:
 Chair

Date