

Minutes of Haresfield Parish Council Meeting held on Monday February 6th 2017 in the village hall.

NOTE: The meeting was postponed from January due to there not being a quorum of councillors available.

Present: Councillors Humphrey Cook, Hayley Pillinger, Jenny Knight.

Clerk: M J King email: haresfieldpc@gmail.com 01452 721635

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Apologies: County Councillor Tony Blackburn, District Councillor David Mossman, councillors Fiona Bevan, Aimee Williams-King.

Public Participation: none

Nothing to report from County Councillor Tony Blackburn or District Councillor Dave Mossman

Minutes of the last meeting:

The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chair.

Accepted: Councillor Hayley Pillinger

Village Hall: The renovation of the hut is continuing apace with the support of a small dedicated team of parishioners. The kitchen is now fully operational. The roof has been cleared of moss by Lees and Andy Cole and a small area of repair to a leak and replacement of the fixing seals is to be carried out. A covered link to the lavatories is the next task to be undertaken.

Village Hall events: Easter Monday 17th April Eggstravaganza in the village hall– note to Herald to advertise for assistance.

Snow: The school reported that school traffic caused chaos for the school and residents, with several vehicles being abandoned in the middle of the road. Advice has been passed to school parents to allow more time and not rush on snowy days.

Huge thanks to Steve Coates who turned out to assist with the snowy morning. Thanks also to Dave Robbins and Charlotte Tilbury who gritted the railway bridge to assist school mums over. Please note that there is a blue grit bin adjacent to the railway bridge which is there for everyone to use.

Network rail: Many parishioners have approached the council with concerns regarding the NR access yard at Haresfield being used for an ever increasing number of works including track upgrading along the railway line in both directions. Disappointingly, NR has also been given

permission to use the field adjacent to the Beacon and Railway Inn for storage. The pub has been forced to cancel bookings due to the amount and level of noise. Clerk to write a formal complaint that the council were not consulted and once again request that an alternative access point is found. However, this is an ongoing saga, and if anyone has any expertise or contacts that would be willing to assist please let anyone on the PC know. Councillor Pillinger has again been in contact with NR to enquire about replacing the potentially dangerous crossing gates.

Highways: The 'dip' in the carriageway on the outbound side of the railway bridge has again been reported by the clerk and is on the list for repair in February. The SDC roadsweeper has been booked and village roads are due to be swept during February.

Javelin Park/Incinerator. The chairman attended a bimonthly meeting of the Community Liaison Group set up with UBB and reported :-

The preferred route for the electricity power cable from the incinerator to the main sub-station at Ryeford was presented by Western Power to be via Stonehouse High Street, which the chairman objected to due to the economic and disruptive effect it would have.

The proposal for a sound bund along the M5 boundary created from the massive excavations on the site was rejected on the grounds of requiring planning consent and a land fill licence, so it will be transported to a remote landfill site and landfill charges applied !!

The tree screening proposal is well advanced and being costed for UBB to place an order for it to be carried out.

The redacted agreement between CGG and UBB has been revealed by accident and has been reported widely.

Land at Quedgeley East St Modwen: awaiting to hear from SDC if the PC's observations regarding scale, heights, appearance and landscaping have been taken into account.

Dog Fouling: Councillor Knight highlighted the recent increase in dog mess along the pavement adjacent to the Merryfields. Note to Herald to ask if people notice any owners not clearing up after their small/medium dog (fairly evident from the evidence) to contact Councillor Knight or the clerk who will address the person. It is now the case, from 1st February, that owners can be fined £100 for going out without a dog poo bag.

Bus Stop: Steve Coates has kindly agreed to demolish the dangerous bus stop on the corner of Mount Lane.

Langet Covert/Woodland Trust- The PC has received the signed lease from The Woodland Trust and is now responsible for running wood along Beacon Lane. The village school will make use of

it as a teaching resource. The lease will now be registered at HM land Registry to enable it to operate at law.

Hunts Grove: Progress appears to have slowed which, it is understood, is due to further negotiations between Crest, SDC and the landowner.

Defibrillator: on order.

Planning: There was no objection to replacement outbuilding at the old stone house on Upper Green Lane.

Finance & Clerks Report: Clerk reported that the 2016/2017 precept figure for Haresfield has been held at the same figure as last year and submitted to SDC.

SLCC	CiLCA	£80.00 (cheque no400659)
A Candy	Kitchen Sundries	£133.26 (cheque no400660)
U Jeakins	Herald printing	£18.00 (cheque no400661)
Ms M King	Administration year to end Dec	£2351.24 (cheque no400662)

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.23 pm

Date of next meetings: Monday February 27th 2017, 7.30, Haresfield Village Hall, then the March meeting on Monday April 3rd due to availability of councillors