

Hauxton Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting held on 6 January 2016

Present: Jane Ward (JW) - Chair, Richard Geyman (RG), Sue Cook (SC), Janet Lockwood (JL) Gary Page (GP), Owen Patman (OP), James Kean (JK), Tony Orgee (TO), Hazel Hammond (RFO) and John Hammond (JH) - Clerk

Members of the public present: Mr Peter Elliott

Public Forum:		<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Seconded</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>By</u>
	Peter Elliott expressed concern regarding the diversion of Footpath number 1 through Hauxton Meadow woods. The Chair and members of the PC agreed with PE's concerns. The clerk explained that a request had been sent to Cambs CC requesting that they meet with us on site to clarify the situation.				
	PE also complained that the higher level of the weir is preventing overflow into the Riddy and flooding his property, rather than the intended flood meadow on the other river bank. The river is also undermining the bank beside the weir on the bend. JL agreed to write to Redrow concerning their obligations to maintain the river bank.			JL to write to Redrow	JL
	PE said he thought that the ditch near the January's property needs clearing as he thinks it is causing water to back up. JW and JL had walked this stretch and thought flow continued, though the ditch is full of weed. It is an SCDC awarded drain.			Clarification needed	

<u>Item</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Comments</u>			
1	Declarations of interest:	None			
2	Apologies:	Gail Kenny			
3	Minutes or previous meeting				
		3.1 Minutes of meeting on 2 December 2015 were approved	OP	JL	
		3.2 Matters arising			
		8.1 - The site manager at Redrow had agreed to help with repairs to the recreation ground drive but the material will not match the existing surface.			Follow up JW
		8.5 - Dog control signs yet to be purchased for the sports ground			Clerk to progress JH
		8.5 - Chris Parr not able to repair fence posts. Grass contractor to be asked to quote			Clerk to progress JH
		11.3 - Chair reported that the first resident had been welcomed personally. Showhouse sales personnel will include Hauxton Newsletter with Redrow welcome pack.			
		3.3 Matters arising from 4 November still on-going			
		3.2 - The dog bin was reported as still being missing despite calls to SCDC			Clerk to chase up, again JH
		6.1 - The missing bus stop sign has been reported to Whippet. Balfour Beatty have been asked to replace the missing school sign by Cambs CC and highways dept. are investigating the missing sign.			Clerk to monitor and chase as required JH
4	Finance				
		Councillors received copies of the accounts before the meeting.			
		4.1 The RFO reported that overall 73% of the general precept budget had been spent, and the PC was within budget for all cost codes apart from village work as a result of the urgent tree work.			

	<p>SC raised the issue of funds belonging to the village held by Mr David Greenham in relation to the village booklet and its sale. Mr Greenham is no longer a Hauxton resident.</p> <p>The RFO reported that VAT registration was now complete. This was on the recommendation of the appointed VAT advisor, and extensive research into similar situations, in order to have a greater probability of receiving a full VAT refund on the upcoming S106 capital expenditure.</p> <p>4.2 Payments approved were: CGM £249.60, Jane Ward £106.92, Team BS £610.28 (toilet hire), HMRC £101.60 and salaries.</p>			RFO to ask for funds to be transferred to PC	HH
5	<p>Fund raising</p> <p>JH reported that the funding applications to Sport England (Inspired Facilities) and Football Foundation were in the latter stages of preparation.</p> <p>The application for indoor sports equipment (Cambs Youth Grant) had been submitted. Nothing further had been heard from Mick George Ltd.</p> <p>The LTSF cycle rack grant should be spent before the end of the financial year. CCC specify 'Sheffield' style cycle racks but JK suggested a cut log version like the Trumpington country park.</p>			Clerk to investigate	JH
6	<p>Footpath number 1 diversion</p> <p>Following Peter Elliott's representation at the December PC meeting, JW, SC and JH had walked Footpath number 1 with PE.</p> <p>It transpired that the diversion on which the PC had been consulted had no public notice signs, but that another diversion had public notice signs but the PC had not been consulted. (One of the signs was located incorrectly)</p> <p>The Clerk had written to the responsible person at Cambs CC requesting a site meeting.</p>			Clerk to chase up CCC	JH
7	<p>Planning</p> <p>Proposal: Single storey rear extension Application ref: S/2991/15/FL Location: Mead Cottage, 56 The Lane, Hauxton, CB22 5HP Applicant: Mr & Mrs Goodman PC response: (This application was notified after the agenda was published. Official hard copy details had not been received at the time of the meeting, however, the application was downloaded from the SCDC planning web site and considered at the meeting.) The PC decided that there were no objections to this application, subject to consultation with applicant neighbours. SC offered to approach neighbours.</p>	GP	OP	Neighbours to be consulted before Clerk responds	SC
8	<p>Recreation grounds and open spaces</p> <p>8.1 Church Road: The Chair reported that the play equipment options were planned for display and consultation at the school on Thursday 14 January.</p> <p>The dog fouling bin near to the mill had been emptied by Chris Parr for the PC and this needs recharging to Redrow.</p> <p>It was reported that a number of lights on the A10 are not working near the Hauxton Meadows bend, and on a central island.</p> <p>8.2 Willow Way: Chris Parr had quoted £40 for 8 traps for 1-2 weeks. It was agreed that this should be progressed now that schools have returned.</p> <p>8.3 Village Green: nothing to report</p>			RFO to invoice Redrow	HH
				Clerk to report to Highways	JH
				Advise Chris Parr to proceed	JH

8.4 Jopling Way: nothing to report

8.5 Sports Ground: This has now been registered with the Land Registry and the Clerk holds the documents. The site signage had not yet been sorted.

Electrical power had been connected to the temporary toilet block and safety checked. Chris Tyrrell Electrical had done this without charge as a contribution to the village.

It was reported that the first meeting of partner club representatives and the sports ground working group would take place on 13 January.

Clerk to progress

JH

9 Report from VHMC representatives

Two village hall design options on two sites on the recreation ground had been shown to the VHMC meeting on the previous evening. These were shown to the PC. Further investigation was needed.

The PC recommended Pinelog take these drawings to Planners to start discussions on what might be acceptable, with the suggested addition of a veranda type roof as a rain shelter.

It was agreed that the Vice Chair (RG) should join the VH sub-committee of JL, JW and SC in liaising with the developer.

10 Reports from:

10.1 County Council: TO to follow up the PC request for help in resolving the sports ground/A10 access junction. TO reported that the introduction of the 'Living Wage' will impact on the CCC budget due to its impact on some Social Services workers.

The budget may increase by 4% to cover this.

District Council: JL reminded the PC that comments on the Local Plan changes reported at the December meeting must be made before 25 January. The Trumpington Sports Village is not included in the plan.

10.2 Tree Wardens: Nothing to report

10.3 Hauxton Consultative Committee: Nothing to report

10.4 Web site: Nothing to report

11 Correspondence

Peter Elliot had reported to the Chair he thinks the UAF buildings are now more dangerous and children play there. JL had therefore asked SCDC Buildings Officer to go and look in case the buildings need fencing off with "danger" notices attached.

Alan Hooper had reported that he believed the preschool was at risk from back-up of water from the stream through the school grounds which needed clearing, particularly of silt. He was worried about the foundation of the building (?hardcore for the container cabin), not flooding.

The school Head confirmed the stream to be a problem. Rob Mungovan, now a part-time drainage officer with SCDC (as well as ecology officer), will go to assess.

12 Date of next meeting

3 February 2016, then 2 March 2016. These will be followed by the Annual Parish Assembly in April.