

# Hauxton Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 5 April 2017

**Present:** Jane Ward (JW) - Chair, Richard Geyman (RG), Janet Lockwood (JL) Gary Page (GP), Owen Patman (OP), Jill Down (JD), Tony Orgee (TO), Hazel Hammond (HH) - RFO and John Hammond (JH) - Clerk  
(Brian Milnes prospective CCC candidate was also present)

<u>Item</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Comments</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>By</u>
1	Apologies:	Sue Cook (SC), Gail Kenney (GK)		
2	Declarations of interest:	<p>2.1 Written requests for dispensation for disclosable non-pecuniary interests were received from all councillors present in relation to agenda item 7.1</p> <p>2.2 Dispensations were granted by the Clerk (under delegated power granted at PC meeting on 13 Nov 2014) to each of the above on the basis:</p> <p>(a) That so many members of the decision-making body had disclosable non-pecuniary interests that it would have impeded the transaction of the business (ie the meeting would be inquorate)</p> <p>(b) The dispensation was in the interests of persons living in the Hauxton area</p>	Copies of dispensations to be passed to SCambs DC	JH
3	Public Forum	Mr Peter Elliott advised that the 'kissing gate' he had been supplied was very large and would be costly to install. Also that whilst disabled users would have keys to open it, it would not be usable by people with push-chairs.	TO to meet on site with PE and Peter Gaskin of CCC.	TO
4	Council membership	Mr William Reverchon was unanimously co-opted as a parish councillor. WR participated in the remainder of the meeting after signing the Declaration of Acceptance of Office		
5	Minutes of Parish Council meetings	<p>5.1 Minutes of meeting on 1 March 2017 were approved</p> <p>5.2 Matters arising:</p> <p>Item 5.2: Dog and litter bins remain unresolved.</p> <p>Item 5.2: The bus timetable for buses towards Cambridge will be posted when they are printed.</p> <p>Item 7.1: Mr Aksoy has been granted planning permission</p> <p>Item 9: SCDC has requested details of litter locations on A10</p> <p>Item 13: The decision was deferred and costs will be considered at the working group</p> <p>5.3 Minutes of meeting on 15 March were approved</p> <p>5.4 Matters arising: none</p>	<p>Clerk to continue to progress</p> <p>Clerk to check</p>	<p>JH</p> <p>JH</p>
6	Finance	<p>Councillors received copies of the accounts and payments for approval before the meeting</p> <p>6.1 The accounts were approved</p> <p>6.2 The list of payments was approved</p> <p>6.3 It was agreed to order the play equipment safety inspection for April at £77</p> <p>6.4 It was agreed to order the additional rabbit proofing of the sports ground main gate (S106 funds) at £185</p> <p>6.5 It was agreed to appoint Bruce Huett as the Internal Auditor for the 2016/17 year end accounts</p> <p>6.6 It was agreed that the Annual Audit inspection period should be from 1/7/2017 to 11/8/2017</p> <p>6.7 It was agreed that the RFO could pay the regular monthly CGM invoices without seeking further authority, provided they were consistent with the contract agreed. Invoices will still be signed off at the subsequent PC meeting.</p>	<p>Clerk to place order</p> <p>Clerk to place order</p> <p>RFO to progress</p> <p>RFO to organise</p>	<p>JH</p> <p>JH</p> <p>HH</p> <p>HH</p>

	<b>6.8</b>	The Hauxton Quiz night raised £656.56 nett, towards the sports pavilion fund.		
	<b>6.9</b>	It was agreed to fund the food safety course for 5 volunteers of the Hauxton Community Meals (monthly luncheon) group from S137 funds (£100)	RFO to pay	HH
	<b>6.10</b>	The application to the Community Chest fund for partial funding of the village hall dishwasher had been submitted by one of the above group. It was agreed that JD would submit an additional application for partial funding of adult fitness equipment.		JD
	<b>6.11</b>	It was agreed to purchase the BT kiosk for £1, as per the PC decision item 10, dated 14 9 2016.	Clerk to sign contract and RFO to pay	JH
<b>7</b>	<b>Planning</b>			
	7.1	Proposal: Construction of new village hall and associated soft landscaping and car parking Application ref: S/1078/17/FL Location: Recreation Ground, Church Road, Hauxton, CB22 5HS Applicant: Hauxton Parish Council PC response: The PC supported this and recommended that it be considered by the Planning Committee.	Clerk to advise SCDC	JH
	7.2	Proposal: To erect PVCu conservatory to the rear of the property Application ref: S/1089/17/FL Location: 17 Ayres Drive, Hauxton, CB22 5FR Applicant: Mr F Lourenco PC response: Support	Clerk to advise SCDC	JH
<b>8</b>	<b>Recreation Ground maintenance</b>	It was agreed that the grass area should be rolled and have spring fertiliser applied at a cost of £342.60, and that Yellow Rattle should be planted in the autumn in the wildflower meadows to reduce the profusion of grasses, at a cost of approx £345.	Clerk to organise	JH
<b>9</b>	<b>Village Green notice board</b>	After review of options and costs, it was agreed to repair the old broken notice board and not replace it for the time being.	Clerk to organise repair	JH
<b>10</b>	<b>Village Maintenance</b>			
	<b>10.1</b>	It was agreed that because of the poor paving and inadequate lighting on certain parts of The Lane and Jopling Way, that CCC should be approached to improve matters. It was noted that each street light costs approx £2,000	Clerk to contact Ben Jakes or Alan Hitch	JH
	<b>10.2</b>	It was agreed that Anglian Water should be asked to re-turf the verge following the recent work undertaken adjacent to No. 7 The Lane.	Clerk to approach Anglian Water	JH
<b>11</b>	<b>Tree Work</b>			
	<b>11.1</b>	There were no objections to the application for work on a tree in the conservation area at 11 High St.	Clerk to advise Ian Lorman and ask him to advise resident about a TPO maintenance agreement to avoid annual applications	JH
	<b>11.2</b>	The PC supported the use of TPOs on all trees mentioned by SCDC, but if removal of T2 was required under the planning approval for the access road, they would accept a replacement nearby.	Clerk to advise Ian Lorman	JH
	<b>11.3</b>	The Chair reported that an ash tree outside 40 High St, might have ash dieback.	Clerk to ask Ian Lorman to check	JH

## 12 Reports from County and District Councillors

County: TO advised that enhanced maintenance expenditure (£750K) has been approved to resurface the A10 between the M11 junction and Harston London Road traffic lights, including upgrading and replacing those traffic lights. The work must be done before April 2018. TO also advised the PC of the Greenways scheme to connect villages to Cambridge by off-road routes. This concept stage plan includes upgrading the A10 cycleway through Hauxton. District: JL reported that she had been in email correspondence with Mike Davies at CCC concerning improvements to the A10 cycleway between Harston and the M11 roundabout. Available funds would only amount to £30K, likely to be well short of the funding required, so this project may have to wait for City Deal funding. JL also raised with him the issue of lighting the cyclepath through Trumpington Country Park, which may have to be funded by the City Deal Greenways project. TO suggested this could also form the basis of an LHI application in the next round.

## 13 Progress reports & feedback

- 13.1** The planning decision for the pavilion is imminent and approval will have conditions. Tender documents for the cricket square have been sent out and it is hoped work will begin at the end of April after the football season concludes. The tennis partner club have withdrawn, so other avenues for re-introducing tennis to the sports ground are being investigated. Clerk to progress JH
- The Strykers junior football club had expressed interest in using the the pitch on the Recreation ground for Saturday morning league matches. This was rejected by the PC who wanted to keep this area for residents and were concerned about parking by parents. Clerk to advise the club JH
- 13.2** The Hauxton Consultative Committee minutes had been circulated in advance. Concern was expressed about the lack of progress on the sale of the mill and commercial area. This to be raised with Harrow. Meeting to be organised with Harrow JL
- 13.3** It was agreed to publish the play equipment items visual on the web site. Clerk to publish JH
- 13.4** Footpath No 1 kissing gate - see public forum above (item 3)
- 13.5** The conversion of Pemberton Arms in Harston to a Co-op mini supermarket outlet is under discussion. The Chair spoke with a representative and raised the possibility of using the Hauxton Meadows commercial area as an alternative. To be raised with Harrow JW

## 14 Correspondence

Three items of correspondence had been circulated to councillors before the meeting, including notification of a new reporting system for car parking issues. It was noted that residents can ask for white lines on the road to permit exit from their drive by contacting Peter Taylor at Highways and paying a fee of £150.

- 15 Matters for future consideration** The problem of lorries exiting onto the A10 with muddy wheels was raised. Phil Clarke at Redrow to be advised JH

- 16 Date of next meeting** Wednesday 3 May 2017  
Meeting closed at 10pm.