

Hauxton Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 4 October 2017

Present: Jane Ward (JW) - Chair, Richard Geyman (RG), Sue Cook (SC), Gary Page (GP), Owen Patman (OP), Jill Down (JD), William Reverchon (WR), Kevin Cuffley (KC), Hazel Hammond (HH) - RFO and John Hammond (JH) - Clerk

<u>Item</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Comments</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>By</u>
1	Apologies:	Janet Lockwood (JL), Oliver Leonard (OL)		
2	Declarations of interest:	None		
3	Public Forum	None		
4	Minutes of Parish Council meetings			
	4.1	Minutes of meeting on 6 September 2017 were approved		
	4.2	Matters arising:		
		Item 4.2/8.2: The dangerous tree on High Street has now been removed.		
		Item 4.2/9: Clerk still awaiting SCDC planning training course dates		
		Item 4.2: The dog bin in the alley has still not been relocated.		
		Item 6.1: The planning application for 79 Church Road has been approved		
		Item 7: BT kiosk shelving for books to be investigated shortly	Councillors to assess	OL/WR
		Item 8: Speed restriction on Church Road - LHI deadline now 15 October. Costed options were discussed and it was agreed to seek funding for a single radar mobile speed sign with two post positions. County Councillor Cuffley agreed to find out who undertook traffic monitoring on Church Road, to aid the submission.	Clerk to advise KC on details, KC to advise Clerk on data source. Clerk to finalise grant submission	JH/KC
		Item 9: New 'No Dogs' signs placed on Sports Ground and regular users informed. The new cricket pitch had been installed but more work is required before sign-off. Chafer grub infestation has been discovered in some areas and is being addressed as a matter of urgency to limit the damage.	Clerk to provide costed options for PC to consider	JH
		Item 10: Car parking on High Street - Whippet yet to respond if this is an issue for their drivers	Clerk to follow up	JH
		Item 11: Christmas tree and carol singing on Village Green - tree, lighting, school singing carols, electricity supply and mulled wine had been organised.		
		Item 13: Vehicle restrictions on Donkey Lane - responses from residents to this proposal had been circulated in advance of the meeting. It was decided by a majority vote to support the County Councillors' proposal to restrict vehicles to farm vehicles for access only. <i>(Clerk note: since Donkey Lane is shared with Harston, their PC has been informed.)</i>	County Councillors to progress	KC
		Item 15: Councillor Leonard had reported that the charity bike ride raised £17,500 for the Rainbow Trust. It was agreed to donate £50 to this charitable cause.	RFO to action	HH

5	Finance	<p>Councillors received copies of the accounts and payments for approval before the meeting</p> <p>5.1 The accounts were approved</p> <p>5.2 The list of payments were approved.</p> <p>5.3 The S137 request from St Edmund's Church was deferred pending the annual grass cutting contribution request.</p>		
6	Bus Shelter on A10	<p>It was agreed to defer a decision on the refurbishment of this bus shelter pending further quotations.</p>	<p>Clerk to continue to progress</p>	<p>JH</p>
7	Remembrance Day	<p>It was agreed to fund the wreath with a contribution of £25</p>	<p>RFO to make payment</p>	<p>HH</p>
8	Progress reports/feedback	<p>8.1 Footpath No.1: Following enquiries by the Clerk it had been established that the section of footpath beside the river, which slopes towards the river, was not the official route, merely a temporary diversion during the Hauxton Meadows development work, and therefore not the responsibility of County Council. The Chair reported that some recent repair work to this had been undertaken by contractors for Redrow.</p> <p>8.2 Community Hub planning update: The Clerk reported that many individual responses of support, and a small number of objections, had been sent to the planners by residents. Additionally two petitions objecting had been sent in - one from residents and one from non-residents. A decision regarding the next stage should be known soon.</p> <p>8.3 Cycleway beside the A10 through Hauxton: It was reported that JL was in discussion with CCC regarding funding improvements to this section.</p> <p>8.4 A request had been submitted to Highways to move the new 40mph sign beside the allotments nearer to the footpath, away from the hedge, thereby making it more visible. No response had been received. Clerk and Chair to follow up this matter and other Highways related issues at the Highways open day on 16 October.</p> <p>8.5 The Clerk reported that the Sports Ground has an infestation of Chafer grubs, and this has damaged part of the pitches. It was agreed that urgent action was required to attempt to contain the problem and it was agreed in principle that costs would need to be incurred.</p>	<p>Chair and Clerk to progress</p> <p>Clerk to establish cost of treatment and seek authorisation from PC by email.</p>	<p>JW/JH</p> <p>JH</p>
9	Reports from County and District Councillors	<p>County: KC reported that CCC is confident that the necessary savings can be found to balance the budget. He reported, for example, that the new Sawston Community Hub will provide a centre for families in addition to children, compared to the previous children only centre. He also reported on an Innovation fund for PCs and other organisations, to encourage partnership working at a local level to provide services and save money.</p>		

District: JL had submitted her report in advance of the meeting. JL advised that from 11 December 2017 residents should place used paper directly into their blue wheelie bins for recycling as a consequence of sharing waste collection with the City, and the falling price of paper, to save money. The paper caddies will no longer be used. JL had also reported that SCDC enforcement officers recently inspected Hauxton Mill and decided it is not currently at risk and no enforcement will be undertaken. KC additionally mentioned on JL's behalf that £50K of funding had been made available for rural bus services and SCDC would be conducting a survey to assess the demand for bus services linking villages directly, rather than going via the city centre.

10 Correspondence

A resident had complained of speeding on the A10 through Hauxton. KC agreed to follow up. Clerk to provide details for KC to progress JH/KC

SCDC had advised that they plan a "Working with Young People" networking and information event on 7 November.

11 Matters for future consideration

None

12 Date of next meeting

1 November 2017

Vice-Chair to preside RG