

HURST GREEN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held in Hurst Green Village Hall on Tuesday 28th July 2015 starting at 8:20pm.

Present: - Councillor Browne (Chairman), Councillor Cruse, Councillor Duddridge, Councillor Funnell, Councillor Harrison, Councillor Janes, Councillor Johnson and Councillor Wright.

David Hilbourne, the RFO and the Clerk were in attendance.

Eighteen members of the public attended.

1.0 Apologies for Absence: - Councillor Peacock, District Councillor Prochak and County Councillor Barnes.

2.0 Minutes of the last meeting: -

To sign as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on the 30th June 2015.

Minutes proposed by Councillor Johnson and seconded by Councillor Janes.

2.1 Matters arising from the Minutes: -

No matters arising.

3.0 Declaration of Interests: -

Councillors Browne and Johnson declared an interest in agenda item 7.2, application RR/2015/1442/P as known to the applicants.

4.0 Adoption of Standing Orders and Financial Regulations

Councillor Browne proposed that the Standing Orders and Financial Regulation be re adopted as recently revised in November 2014.

The resolution was unanimously passed.

5.0 Community: - Guest speaker

No guest speaker and no reports rec'd

5.2 Redundant Hurst Green Village sign

The Village Hall management committee are happy to have the sign sited at the hall.

Councillors will liaise with the management committee to work out exact positioning and report back at the next meeting.

5.3 Funding support for PSCO

Sussex Police are asking Parish and Town Councils to consider help towards funding their local PSCOs

To be discussed at the November precept meeting.

5.4 County/District Councillors Report

District Councillor Browne gave feedback on latest RDC meeting.

6.0 Parish Council Website

The RFO, David Hilbourne has been working on this with our chosen provider and it is developing quite quickly now. The RFO will email out a list of what information is required and what is in progress.

Councillors were asked to help with the gaps in the information.

7.0 Planning: -

An appeal has been lodged for RR/2014/3091/L, 44 Station Road re RDC's refusal of permission to install a replacement front door

7.1 RDC Planning decisions

RR/2015/946/P - 58 London Road, Parkside, Hurst Green TN19 7PN. To construct new garage. **Granted.**

RR/2015/1358/P - 12 Vicarage Way, Hurst Green TN19 7Q. Single storey front extension. **Refused.**

RR/2014/2539/P - The Oast (White Horse Inn), Silverhill, Hurst Green TN19 7PU Timber shed/garden room & ground works (Retrospective). **Granted.**

RR/2014/1495/O - 1 Pentwood Place, 4 London Road, Hurst Green. **Refusal of certificate of Lawful use or Development**, for proposed garage/store and hardstanding.

7.2 Current Applications

RR/2015/1577/P - 1 Lodge Farm Cottage, London Road, Hurst Green TN19 7QP. New entrance gates to northern access. Closure of southern vehicular access to remain pedestrian only. **Supported.**

RR/2015/1472/P - Hadlow Lodge, Burgh Hill, variation of condition 2 of planning permission RR/2013/2391/P to increase the ridge height of new house by approx. 900mm, extension of central bay by 900mm, two additional roof lights, balcony at front, fenestration changes and change of roof material from clay tiles to slate. **Supported.**

RR/2015/1442/P - Eggs to Apples Farm Shop, Lodge Farm, London Road, TN19 7QP. Variation of condition 7 of planning permission RR/2014/162/P (farm shop) to permit some external display of goods and seating. **Majority decision not to support.**

8.0 Finance/David Hilbourne, RFO's Report:-

Financial report given by David Hilbourne, RFO.

8.1 Current financial position

Balance of accounts

Community Account (6752)	£9,366.95	as at 15 th July 2015
Community Savings (6779)	£690.34	as at 15 th July 2015
Renewals A/C (6760)	£13,063.36	as at 15 th July 2015

These figures are the position as at the latest statements received as shown. They do not include monies received or paid away subsequently.

Direct Debit payments

None.

Payments received

23/06/2015 - HG Community Shop repayment of parish insurance costs for the shop. £289.04

8.2 Approval and issue of Cheques

Urgent cheques drawn and paid away

Cheque No. 100591 - DG Browne, Cut grass in June and July. £240.00

Cheques to be authorised for this meeting

Copies of invoices re items below previously circulated via email to all Councillors.

Cheque No. 100586 - J Ellis, Clerk's Salary (July).	£416.66
Cheque No. 100587 - East Sussex Pension Scheme, re Clerk.	£143.85
Cheque No. 100588 - D Hilbourne, RFOs salary (July)	£96.00
Cheque No. 100589 - D Hilbourne, broadband costs defray.	£75.00
Cheque No. 100590 - J Ellis, broadband cost defray.	£75.00
Cheque No. 100592 - P Cowling, donation for Children in Need theatre company under LGA 1972 s. 145	- £250.00

A resolution for approval is sought for past and present issue of Cheques.
Cheques proposed by Councillor Funnell and seconded by Councillor Cruse.

Councillors Janes and Wright declared an interest in the next agenda item and abstained for the discussion and vote.

8.3 Resolution to approve donation to the Children in Need theatre production under LGA 1972 s. 145
 As previously presented at the last meeting and formally discussed at this, the Chair put a resolution to the Council to donate £250.

Councillors unanimously resolved to donate £250 to this cause.

9.0 PLAYING FIELDS and Corner Garden

The RFO has viewed the proposed seat, the Phoenix seat from Glasdon for Drewetts and was impressed by its indestructibility. Quotes will now be needed for the concrete base to site it on.

Seat to be delivered to the Chair in the interim.

9.2 Proposed Memorial Seat on Corner Garden

To be put on the next agenda for Councillors to view all possible suitable sites for this

9.3 Update on Lodge Field play equipment repairs

Still looking to source a second quote for the work to be done.

9.4 Disabled access to Drewetts and Stage Field

Councillor Harrison will supply the proscribed dimensions for a disabled access gate and email to the Clerk.

10.0 Footpaths, Transport & Roads

Highways England is planning to do maintenance work on the A21 at the end of August and will be closing the road at night during this period...

Councillor Browne declared an interest in the next agenda item

10.1 Footpath 23 (off London Road by Jesses)

A site meeting has taken place with the concerned parties and the minutes of the meeting were read out to the Council by Claire Barrett.

Councillor Browne said that he believed Councillor Barnes was dealing with this issue.

Still ongoing issues here for neighbours and the Clerk will check with ESCC into what steps were taken by them when a diversion was asked for. Clerk noted use of FOI Act.

10.2 Feedback from A21 meeting with Highways England and Huw Merriman MP

Francis McKenna took minutes of the meeting which have not yet been made available but Councillor Browne gave feedback

It is planned that the A21 will be used as a major pilot for the new average speed initiative which will involve a substantial increase in street furniture along the A21's route with extra cameras. The new system can be switched on and off as necessary but motorists will face penalty points if they are recorded as going over the prescribed speed limit over a given distance

It was noted that the new proposed extension to the speed limit to the north of the village was confusing as the papers are quoting 40mph whilst Councillor Browne is sure it is 50mph.

11.0 Notices and Correspondence:-

Correspondence previously circulated via email

11.1 Urgent issues requiring attention

The Village Hall management committee submitted a request at the meeting for help in paying for replacement windows for the original part of the Hall. To be put on the next agenda.

12.00 Items for the next agenda:-

Parish Website & donation for Village Hall windows.

13.0 Date and time of next Meeting:-

The next meeting is on Tuesday 25^h August 2015 in Hurst Green Village Hall starting at 8.00pm with public consultation from 7.30pm.

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 9.20pm.

Distribution of Minutes: -

Signed

All Parish councillors.

Parish Council Noticeboard.

ESCC Councillor J. Barnes.

Chairman

RDC Councillor S. Prochak.

Dated