

Hartest Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Institute on Wednesday 7 January 2015 at 7pm.

Present: Cllrs David Loxton (Chair), Graham Manning, Jo Pask, Nick Price and David Turner

In Attendance: Co Cllr R Kemp, Dist Cllr J Long, PC 346 G Austin, 1 member of the public and Parish Clerk

ACTION

- 14/091 Apologies for absence: Cllrs Browning and Chappell
- 14/092 Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the last meeting held on 3 December were approved and signed.
- 14/093 Matters Arising: None
- 14/094 Declarations of Interest: Cllr Pask re 9(d) Budget/Precept if the Institute is discussed.
- 14/095 Public Forum: No matters raised.
- 14/096 Police Report: PC Austin introduced himself as the area's newly appointed PC. He advised that one crime had been committed; burglary of outbuilding - nothing stolen.
- 14/097 County Councillor's Report: Cllr Kemp's report is attached. He commended the PC to respond to the current consultation re the Ipswich to Peterborough rail passenger service, since this would adversely affect the area. Cllr Kemp has pledged some locality funding re the flooding problem near Charity Farm in Somerton Road. Clerk
- 14/098 District Councillor's Report: Cllr Long reported that at the Full Council Meeting on the 16 December, BDC's announcement re filming was introduced. Currently a review of polling stations is in hand; Hartest is unaffected.
- 14/099 Finance & Administration
(a) Receipts: UKPN Wayleave annual payment: £10.67
Locality Grant re The Row Footpath: £1k
- 14/100 (b) Payments:
Clerk's Salary: Oct-Dec 2014: £643.46
HMRC: Oct-Dec 2014: £149.60
Clerk: Final Taxi Fare re 3 December Meeting: £46.00
Boxted & Hartest Institute: Hall hire: 1.10 and 5.11.14: £40.00
Mr M Bell: Production of NP Map – Phase 1: £200
Clerk: 'Contact' Subscription 2015: £7.00
The above were approved for payment. It was agreed that Cllr Price would forward NP related invoices for payment by the PC direct to the Clerk. Clerk
- (c) Budget/Precept 2015/16: It was agreed to submit the precept in the sum of last year's payment + 2% in view of increasing costs and to finalise the budget details at the next meeting. Clerk

- 14/101 Planning
- (a) Decisions Received: None received
- (b) Withdrawn Applications: None
- (c) New Planning Application:
B/14/01099/FHA: Pompes: Erection of new sunken basement with link through the single-storey additions. Demolition of store area and rebuild to provide additional living accommodation.
- (d) New planning applications received since the date of this notice:
B/14/01597/TCA: Meadowcroft, Workhouse Hill: Fell 1 no Maple and coppice 8 no trees
Following consideration of the above two applications, Members were happy to support them. Clerk
- (e) Tree Preservation Order/Tree Conservation Area applications: None
- (f) Appeals: None
- Other Planning Matters:
- Storage of Filing Cabinets: Arrangements to relocate these to the Church are in hand. JP
- Neighbourhood Plan: SWOT analysis and feasibility study being sorted out. Funding requirements being drawn up. Cllr Price hopes to present further details to the next meeting. A draft of the Community Right to Bid documentation had been submitted to Tracey Brinkley of BDC, who requested that the final version be submitted by the Parish Council. NP/Clerk
- Dog Litter Bin: To be deleted as an agenda item. Clerk
- Affordable House – Banhams Yard: This property is now back on the open market.
- Banhams Yard Visibility Splay: An acknowledgement/response is awaited from BDC; a reminder had been sent. Clerk
- S106 Money: Cllr Pask advised that the Institute has been granted funding for its drive. Clarification is to be sought from BDC as to whether s106 money could be used on SCC's land behind the School. NP
- School.
- Mobile Telephone Coverage: Mr Laurence Cawley of BBC's Inside Out programme had been advised that there are several businesses within the village experiencing problems with the current 2G service. Notices have been placed in 'Contact' and on the web site advising his contact details, for interested organisations to make contact. Clerk
- 14/102 Green, Cemetery and Churchyard
- (a) Cemetery
Extension Layout
Cllr Turner had confirmed with Mr Cornish that the site preparation cost would be £600. Cllr Turner also confirmed that the digger is too large to be used to level the uneven ground. Cllr Turner may be able to suggest someone who may be interested in barrowing the excess soil. Cllr Pask advised that she had been offered hay for the wild flower area. DT
- Tall Tree near Cemetery Entrance: This has been removed; the invoice is awaited.
- (b) The Green
Ditch on the Green: Following discussion about the possible use of an automatic 'mole' to cut through for a pipe, it was agreed to leave this matter with Co Cllr Kemp. DT
- Trees on the Green: One quotation for the removal of a Lime had been received; a second is awaited. Clerk
- 14/103 Highways and Footpaths
Village Road, School Parking, Pavement and Land to Rear of School:
Cllr Price reported that he, Ralph Carpenter, and David Stiff of SCC are meeting at 2 p.m. on 2 February on the Green to discuss possible

survey. Cllr Price is doubtful now that such a scheme, as H-B propose, is totally safe.

FP16: An email had been received from Mr P Roper of Elizels Cottage re this footpath and its possible diversion (as discussed at a previous meeting) and querying the benefit of such a plan. It was agreed that the Clerk would respond advising that no proposal has been made in this regard, although enquiries were to be made following a complaint about the current route.

Clerk

14/104 Correspondence: None

14/105 Matters for consideration at the next meeting: None

The meeting closed at 8.50 p.m.

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Date of next Meeting: Wednesday 4 February 2015 at 7 p.m. in the Institute

Signed at the Parish Council Meeting held on 4 February 2015