

Hartest Parish Council

DRAFT Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 6 October 2021 at 7 pm

Present: Cllrs C Browning (Chair), N Price and M Winterbone

In Attendance: Co Cllr R Kemp and Dist Cllr S Plumb

ACTION

- 22/058 Apologies/Approval for Absence: Cllrs J Pask, S Welfare (holiday), District Cllr M Holt (conflicting BDC meeting), W Luttmann-Johnson (absence forced by fuel crisis) and Parish Clerk
- 22/059 Approval of Minutes of Meeting held on 8 September 2021: These minutes are to be pended forward for approval at the PC Meeting to be held on Wednesday 3 November.
- 22/060 Matters Arising: It was agreed to carry forward a discussion re affordable house (as requested by Cllr Winterbone).
- 22/061 Declarations of Interest: None
- 22/062 Public Forum
- Rogers/Smithbrooke Lanes: The fallen/obstructive trees along these lanes, and the problem with Smithbrooke Lane Bridge were reported.
- 22/063 County Councillor's Report: Cllr Kemp's report for September had been circulated and is attached.
- 22/064 District Councillors' Report: This report had been circulated and is attached. Of particular note is BDC's switch to an Ultra-Low Emission HVO fleet (Hydrotreated Vegetable Oil) reducing carbon emissions by up to 90% and supporting the Council's carbon neutral aims. Women's Cycle Tour takes place on Saturday 9 October through the district. Future of Parking in Babergh. New tariffs are now not due to come into effect until January 2022. Anyone wishing to comment on this parking strategy are welcome to do so.
- 22/065 Finance & Administration
- Income: 10.9.21: Precept Payment (Part 2): £6,602.00
9.8.21: Burial Fees: Mrs A Ross: £460.00
Additional CIL Income (1.4-30.9.21): £865.29 (New CIL Total = £3,307.24 + £865.29 = £4,172.53m (£3,307.24 to be spent by September 2023). Enquiries will be made to identify the source of this most recent sum.
Bank Balances as at 31.8.21: Current Account: £9,145.50, Deposit: £38,491.51 Total: £38,491.51
- Payments
- The following payments were considered and approved for payment:
Clerk: Salary Jul-Sep: £598.36 (Chq 100406)
HMRC: PAYE Jul-Sep: £130.60 (100407)
Boxted & Hartest Institute: Hall hire: 7.7 and 8.9.21: £30.00 (100408)
Namesco: Basic Hosting for hartest.com for 1 yr: £31.19 (100409)
SALC: Provision of 6 Mths' Payroll Service: £22.80 (100410)
Came & Co: Renewal of PC Insurance: 5.10.21-4.10.22: £374.41 (100411)
Repair to Steps to Postbox: Work done: £50; invoice awaited.
Microphone: Cllr Browning is to investigate a suitable item.

22/066 Planning
Decisions Received:
DC/21/04439: Ballingdons, Hartest Hill: Tree Works: No objection
DC/21/04690: Tandem House, Hartest Hill: Tree Works: No objection
Withdrawn Applications: None
New Planning Application: Ballingdon Yard Cottage, Hartest Hill: Erection of a two storey rear extension: Members objected to this reconsultation.
Clerk

Other Planning Matters

Affordable (or Community Led) Housing: Cllr Luttmann-Johnson advised that no further progress had been made to date. Cllr Price offered to speak to Ralph Clark and Ian Poole for guidance on how a *call for land* should be managed.
NP

22/067 Green, Cemetery & Churchyard

Green: Cllr Pask reported that new residents here are reported to be driving along the length of the house and back again. Also, skip lorries are being driven from the road serving the butchers. Members agreed that this situation would be monitored.
ALL

Cemetery

An offer had been received from Mr Peter Tebbitt to supply and install a wooden bench dedicated to his late parents. He is also willing to replace the broken one. It was agreed that this new bench should be placed in a more suitable position.

It was reported that the notice displayed on the cemetery gates is out of date; this is to be replaced.
Clerk

Cremated Remains: A discussion as to the most suitable location for this area was held and, also, as to the type of stone to be placed as a marker for each interment plot. Details are to be finalised.
ALL

Standpipe: Anglian Water had submitted installation details and cost in the sum of £3,288.33 (adjacent to the gate off Shimpling Road).

Members requested that a reduction be sought from Anglian (SCC had been unable to assist re a reduction in traffic management cost). Clerk

Churchyard: Pollarding of Sycamores: Cllr Price advised that the PCC had received a quotation for this work; he would obtain a copy of same.
NP

22/068 War Memorial Cleaning: Cllr Winterbone is awaiting information/quotations.
MW

22/069 Website: This year's full schedule of PC Meetings is to be removed and replaced to show just the remaining meetings for this year and next year's schedule.
Clerk

22/070 Footpaths and Highways

Parsons Walk: SCC's PROW Officer is to expedite receipt of quotations regarding its proposed resurfacing.

Blind Lane: The white lines here are expected to be reinstated shortly following the resurfacing work. (This work is usually automatically programmed in.) This will be expedited if no progress has been made in the near future.
Clerk

22/071 Proposal re Various Litter Bins and Benches on the Green: Details are to be circulated in this regard.
MW

22/072 Any Other Business

22/073 Date of the Next Meeting: Wednesday 3 November

The meeting closed at 2045 hours.