

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday, 16th. August, 2021.

Members present: Couns. Ward, O'Brien, Simmonds, Walker.

Visitors: J. Lindridge, A.Falconer, J.Elliot (all HBC Ward Councillors), G.Gillies. B.Buchan, L.Dempsey, T.Stephenson.

1. **Apologies for Absence:** None.
2. **Declarations of Interest:** None.
3. **Planning Applications:** None.
4. **To confirm the minutes of the previous meeting:** they were accepted as a true record of the meeting. Proposed: Coun. Walker Seconded: Coun. Simmonds. Unanimous.
5. **Matters arising from those minutes:** 5.1 traffic calming in the village: ongoing and signage still not in place but ordered. Coun.Falconer had followed up the matter. 5.2 Repair list priorities: some had been seen to but most not. It appears there is uncertainty as to how residents/parish councillors and the clerk should address the problems and to who they are addressed. 5.3 Replacement trees in South Fens: ongoing and very similar to 5.2 above. 5.4 Mill Terr., sign: ongoing.
6. **New Agenda items:** 6.1 Street lighting in South Fens: Mr. Gillies (resident in South Fens) raised his concerns about the poor quality or lack of lighting in various parts of South Fens and the matter will be taken up by Coun. Lindridge. The parish council will monitor the situation. 6.2 Items raised at the initial APM: it was decided that they would be reserved for the "full" APM which can now be arranged since restrictions were lifted. A date will be set at the next monthly meeting in September.
7. **Accounts:** cheques and monies paid/received were presented and accepted as correct. Proposed: Coun. Walker Seconded: Coun. Simmonds. Unanimous
8. **Correspondence:** 8.1 Barclays statements. 8.2 Lorraine Bennison (re casual PC vacancy and the Queen's Jubilee celebrations on June 2nd. 2022.) 8.3 HBC re footpath on Thorntree Lane. 8.4 ICO (annual fee). 8.5 Don Cameron (see 5.3 above). 8.6 Post Office (re PO in Greatham).
9. **Reports:** 9.1 Rural Plan: operating as expected.
9.2 Power Station: Coun. Ward reported on the latest meeting and a very positive report too! Outages continued and brought many workers onsite which will boost the local economy. Much more recycling is taking place. No emergencies have occurred in the last six years.
9.3 Greatham in Bloom: the judges were very impressed on their last visit. The next is Sept. 29th.
9.4 Community Centre: the return to full use continues.
9.5 Governance and Audit Committee: a meeting had been held but no matters concerning the parish were on the agenda.
10. **Repairs and Maintenance:** 1. Path on The Drive between Front St. and The Grove. 2. Footpath in Parish Row. 3. Flooding in Egerton Terr., 4. Path on the bridge over the beck is disappearing. 5. Flooding at the Sports Field. 6. Pavement at The Green. 7. Sappers Corner flooding. 8. Potholes in Mildenhall Close. 9. Black Path trees need pruning. 10. Mid section of Old Stockton Rd. needs tarmacking. 11. Poor signage on Station Rd., 12. Path from Sappers Corner to village is disappearing. 13. Sets on the Post Office. 14. Streetcleaning needs extending to Black Path/Aldeburgh and Mildenhall Closes. 15. Mid Saltaire Terr., needs attention. 16. The path from the school to the beck. 17. Horseriders using paths they shouldn't. 18. Saltaire Terr., still mudbound. 19. Potholes on The Drive/Ashfield Close. 20. Hedge overhanging the path in West Row.

- 11. Public issues:** Mr. Gillies attended to express concerns about streetlighting in various parts of South Fens. Places were pitch black and older residents were extremely concerned for their safety. Coun. Lindridge (HBC) will take up the matter on their behalf. Coun. Elliott (HBC) reported on a meeting she had attended with regard to nuclear waste being stored in the area. Concerns were expressed by many at the PC meeting. Coun. Lindridge spoke of how he preferred personal contact to deal with residents problems and, perhaps, not like previous HBC councillors who may not have necessarily been in tune with residents. Three public items were raised that would be placed on the Agenda for the next meeting. They were the Annual Parish Meeting, the Post Office and the allotments.
- 12. Date of the next meeting:** Monday, 27th. September, 2021.

The meeting closed at 7.35p.m.

Financial Statement as at 31.08.21.

Community Account balance as at 31.07.21: £3814.40

Cheques issued:

613 HMRC £17.94 (clerk's tax)

614 £40 (ICO annual fee)

615 £71.78 (clerk's salary)

Community Account balance as at 31.08.21: £3684.68

Business Account balance as at 31.08.21: £682.74.