



HENSTEAD WITH HULVER STREET  
PARISH COUNCIL



**Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council**

held at Hulver Village Hall  
on Wednesday 11th October 2023  
Commencing at 7.00pm

**74/23 Present**

HHPC Cllr Armstrong (Chair), Cllr P Block, Cllr J Doran  
**In attendance** Angela Colbridge (Clerk), SCC Cllr Ladd, ESC Ashton

**75/23 Apologies for absence**

HHPC Cllr J Facer, Cllr D Hadingham

**76/23 Welcome and introductions**

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting

**77/23 Declaration of interest personal or prejudicial to this agenda**

There were no declarations of interest.

**78/23 Minutes of the Meeting of 6th September 2023**

**It was Proposed by Cllr Block, seconded by Cllr Doran that the minutes of 6<sup>th</sup> September 2023 be accepted as a true record. This was agreed.** The minutes were signed by the Chair.

**79/23 Matters arising**

Recent flooding of drain. The Clerk informed council that if flooding recedes within 24 hours it is not classed as an issue with the drain. If it remains for more than 24 hours, and, only if it is safe to do so, photo's can be taken and reported, along with the location, on the Suffolk Highways online reporting tool.

**80/23 Reports**

**80/23/1 Suffolk County Council.** Report from SCC Cllr Lad:

The Gull Wing Bridge in Lowestoft is on budget.

Suffolk Fire and Rescue Control Centre is being brought back into Suffolk.

There is a predicted overspend of £23 million for the current financial year which equates to less than 4%. Children's transport, SEND and social care are the main factors. There are some reserves to help cover the overspend.

Suffolk, Norfolk and Essex Councils have written to National Grid about their Pylon project which is planned to run from Norwich to Tilbury.

Over 300 miles of Quiet Lanes have been created in Suffolk and all costs have been covered by the Suffolk 2020 fund.

A discussion was held on whether the parish council should apply for future funding to create a Quiet Lane area on Toad Row. It was agreed that the council would register it's interest.

Signed Chair \_\_\_\_\_ Clerk \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**80/23/2 East Suffolk Council.** Report from ESC Cllr Ashton:

A decision has been made to demolish St. Peter's Court flats in Lowestoft.

Dating back to Waveney District Council days, there is several million pounds to be repaid to council tenants following a period of over-charging.

ESC is updating it's strategy.

ESC is opposed to Sizewell C on the following grounds that have not been properly resolved: Water supply; impact on housing; traffic impact.

**80/23/3 Police report.** The Clerk reported the following updates from the Police.Uk website:

August 2023 - 1 x report of shoplifting on or near Toad Row.

The question was asked if we could invite the local Community Engagement Officer along to an upcoming meeting. The Clerk will make contact with the CEO with the dates of the upcoming meetings.

**81/23 Chair's Item**

None

**82/23 Correspondence**

**82/23/1 SALC - NSIPS Seminar**

The Clerk read out details of this seminar on National Significant Infrastructure Projects.

The Clerk will try and attend the seminar online

**82/23/2 Email from resident - Temporary traffic lights on B1127**

An email has been received reporting the consistent jamming of the traffic lights on the B1127. The Clerk has replied to suggest reporting this issue on the Suffolk Highways online reporting tool.

**82/23/3 East Suffolk Council - Directional Survey**

This survey has been circulated to councillors to complete if they wish

**82/23/4 SCC 20's Plenty for Us - Information on the Suffolk campaign**

The Clerk informed Council of this campaign which aims to achieve a 20mph speed limit in certain Suffolk communities. SCC Cllr Ladd informed council that Suffolk County Council is looking to review its 20mph policy next year.

**82/23/5 Email from East Suffolk Council - Custom and Self-Build Supplementary Planning Document**

The Clerk has circulated this document to councillors.

**82/23/6 Email from Zurich Insurance**

The Clerk informed Council that Zurich Insurance have confirmed receipt of payment.

**83/23 Finance**

**83/23/1 Approval of outstanding invoices**

Clerks wages August/September 2023 £500

SALC payroll services for 6 months to the end of 30th September 2023 £27

**Proposed by Cllr Block, Seconded by Cllr Armstrong**

**83/23/2 Account Balances.** The Clerk noted a rolling estimate of:

Current Account £15,601.47

Savings Account £822.83

**83/23/3** The Clerk noted that a VAT claim had been submitted for the period 1st April 2020 - 31st August 2023. The total claim amount submitted was for £572.15

**84/23 Planning**

**84/23/1 To consider any planning applications**

None

Signed Chair\_\_\_\_\_ Clerk \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

#### **84/23/2 To receive outcomes of Planning Applications from ESC**

**i) DC/23/2994/LBC Listed Building Consent** - Internal and external alterations to the North and West Ranges - The Grange, Tinkers Lane, Henstead, Beccles, Suffolk, NR34 7LB - **Application Permitted**

**ii) DC/22/2323/DRC** | Discharge of Condition Nos. 5, 6, 10, 14 & 16 of DC/18/3443/FUL - (Conversion of redundant agricultural buildings into 3 dwellings) - Contaminated land details, archaeological details, annotated frame survey and schedule of repairs to be carried out to the historic structures and details of both hard and soft landscaping | Grange Farm Tinkers Lane Henstead Beccles Suffolk NR34 7LB **Awaiting Decision**

**iii) DC/23/1033/FUL** Construction of a double garage including removal of an existing asbestos garage, Kandina Cottage, Toad Row, Henstead, Beccles, Suffolk, NR34 7LG **Application Withdrawn**

**iv) DC/23/1983/FUL** Full planning permission for 1 No. Dwelling, to include access, parking and amenity land. Land south of Toad Row, Henstead, Beccles, Suffolk, NR34 7LG **Awaiting decision**

#### **84/23/3 APPEALS**

None

#### **84/23/4 Other planning matters**

**SCC/0124/22W** - Proposed AD Plant, Land at Copeland Way, Ellough, Suffolk, NR34 7TL. **Application pending a decision.**

The Clerk informed councillors that there is a Public Consultation, as part of the VC Cooke application process for an Environmental Permit, from 18th September - 5th November 2023. ESC Cllr Ashton is going to ask that Henstead with Hulver Street Parish Council be included in any future correspondence relating to this application.

#### **85/23 Parish Community Plan**

**85/23/1 Highways** - The Clerk gave an overview of a meeting held on Monday 9th October with SCC Cllr Ladd and the Suffolk Highways Community Liaisons Engineer. Items discussed included: the temporary traffic lights on the B1127; Speed limits on Toad Row; Speeding in general; HGV's; Damaged/missing directional signs; Flooding; Cutting back hedges. The Parish Council are considering the following: a traffic survey on toad row; utilising the online tool 'Lorry Watch'; requesting a temporary ANPR camera for the Speed Indicator Device; additional SID's and upgrading of current SID.

**85/23/2 Church Surround** - No update

**85/23/3 Communication including website** - The Clerk reported that missing contact information has now been added to the website. The links have been checked and appear to be working.

**85/23/4 Amenities** - Nothing to update

**85/23/5 Social Activities** - Cllr Block reported that the Village Hall are looking into holding interesting talks at the village hall in the future. The Village Hall AGM will take place on 14th November at 7pm.

#### **86/23 Review of Policies - Safeguarding Policy**

It was agreed that the proposed Safeguarding policy would be adopted by the Council.  
**Proposed by Cllr Block, Seconded by Cllr Doran.**

#### **87/23 Grit bins**

A discussion was held on the possibility of obtaining grit bins for the village. It was noted that Henstead with Hulver Street Parish is gritted by Suffolk Highways.

Signed Chair \_\_\_\_\_ Clerk \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**88/23 Bottle Bank in the Village**

The Clerk has not looked into the possibility of this yet.

**89/23 Any other business**

The Clerk informed council that the local press had been in touch regarding the traffic lights on the B1127. A draft comment was discussed and it was agreed that, if all councillors approved the draft, that it would be submitted. **This was proposed by Cllr Block, seconded by Cllr Armstrong.**

**Questions from the Public**

None

**90/23 Items for the agenda of the next meeting**

None raised

**91/23 Date and time of next meeting.**

The next meeting of the Council will take place on Wednesday 1st November 2023 at 7pm.

**The meeting closed at 9.10 pm**

Signed Chair\_\_\_\_\_ Clerk \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_