



HENSTEAD WITH HULVER STREET
PARISH COUNCIL



Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Council

held at Hulver Village Hall
on Wednesday 1st November 2023
Commencing at 7.00pm

92/23 Present

HHPC Cllr Facer (Acting-Chair), Cllr P Block, Cllr J Doran, Cllr D Hadingham
(Cllr J Armstrong arrived at 7:10pm)

In attendance Angela Colbridge (Clerk), ESC Ashton, Members of the public x 1

93/23 Apologies for absence

SCC Cllr Ladd,

94/23 Welcome and introductions

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for attending

95/23 Declaration of interest personal or prejudicial to this agenda

There were no declarations of interest.

96/23 Minutes of the Meeting of 11th October 2023

It was Proposed by Cllr Block, seconded by Cllr Doran that the minutes of 11th October 2023 be accepted as a true record. This was agreed. The minutes were signed by the Acting Chair.

97/23 Matters arising

Recent flooding. Cllr Hadingham informed council that Suffolk Highways are due to attend the flooded area at the bottom of Guildhall Lane within 5 days, weather permitting.

98/23 Reports

98/23/1 Suffolk County Council. No report

98/23/2 East Suffolk Council. Report from ESC Cllr Ashton:

The UK Government has announced financial support for those in flood hit areas.

The District Council/Full Council is committed to improve the look of the district and has an upcoming meeting to work towards this.

It was agreed that the Clerk would look to get information regarding the financial support for flooded areas out on the village email link.

98/23/3 Police. No report

99/23 Chair's Item

None

Signed Chair _____ Clerk _____ Date _____

100/23 Correspondence

100/23/1 AEPA - Letter to Minister Bowie

The Clerk informed council that the collective letter to Minister Bowie from local town and parish councils, and signed by Henstead with Hulver Street Parish Council, urging that his return visit to East Suffolk be made a very high priority, had been confirmed as sent. The Clerk noted that a copy of the reply had been received just before the meeting and will be circulated to councillors in due course.

100/23/2 Suffolk Police - Restructuring and possible change in Community

Engagement Officer - The clerk informed council that Suffolk Police cannot commit to attending a parish council meeting at this time due to restructuring in December and a possible change in cover of the area.

100/23/3 Suffolk Highways - Quiet Lanes

The original budget for Quiet Lanes is at an end but Suffolk Highways are currently looking at a new process and costs for additional Quiet Lanes to be designated and signed.

100/23/4 East Suffolk Council - 3 proposed Public Space Protection Orders

Views on the proposal to renew three PSPO's in the East Suffolk district are being requested, including Exclusion of dogs from Aldeburgh Beach, Landguard Point Nature Reserve and Dogs on Leads (General). The Parish Council had no comments to make on these.

100/23/5 Email from resident - Planning Application DC/23/1983/FUL Land South of Toad Row

A discussion was held regarding residents concerns over a shared sewage system that was installed by the applicants to this PA and extends into the land for this proposed Planning Application. ESC Cllr Ashton will liaise with the planning officer for this PA to confirm that they are aware of this and taking it into account when considering the application.

100/23/6 Email from resident - V.C. Cooke application for environmental permit

The Clerk informed council that a resident had written to outline their concerns on this application. The Clerk noted that details of the current ESC public consultation have been sent out via the village email link and also publicised on the Parish Council website and in the village noticeboards. It was agreed that the PC would make a formal response to this application, to be drafted up and agreed online.

100/23/7 Email from Suffolk County Council Passenger Transport

The Clerk informed council of possible future funding to support new or improved bus services at a local level where demand can be proven. The Clerk will put this forward for the community email link to request interest in a bus service through the village.

101/23 Finance

101/23/1 Approval of outstanding invoices

Poppy Wreath from the Royal British Legion £20

Proposed by Cllr Hadingham, Seconded by Cllr Doran

101/23/2 Account Balances. The Clerk noted a rolling estimate of:

Current Account £15,074.47

Savings Account £822.83

101/23/3 Precept Request 2024/24 The Clerk noted that the Precept Request for the next financial year has been received and needs to be provided to East Suffolk Council by 26th January 2024. This will be added to the agenda for the next meeting.

102/23 Planning

102/23/1 To consider any planning applications

None

Signed Chair _____ Clerk _____ Date _____

102/23/2 To receive outcomes of Planning Applications from ESC

i) 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**

ii) 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**

102/23/3 APPEALS

None

102/23/4 Other planning matters

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

103/23 Parish Community Plan

103/23/1 Highways - The directional sign at the Henstead Church Crossroads on the B1127 was damaged some time ago and never replaced. The Clerk will report this on the Suffolk Highways online Reporting Tool.

It was noted that the B1127 Hulver Road, Henstead, from the junction of Tinkers Lane to the junction of Sotterley Road was closed due to urgent carriageway reinstatement following badger activity. It was also noted that the B1127 would be closed from 6th to 9th November by Essex and Suffolk Water.

103/23/2 Church Surround - Cllr Facer noted that investigations have shown that in April/ May 1985 the land was bought at auction by local residents for a fee of £1150. With one trustee remaining, the Parish Council have been asked to take on responsibility of the land. It is thought that 4 trustees would need to take on the responsibility of the land. Investigations will continue to see if the PC can take on the responsibility of the land as Sole Trustee.

103/23/3 Communication including website - No update

103/23/4 Amenities - Nothing to update

103/23/5 Social Activities - Cllr Block noted that The Village Hall AGM will take place on 14th November at 7pm. All residents are welcome to attend.

104/23 Bottle Bank in the village

After a brief discussion on the possibility of installing a bottle bank in the village, it was decided that there was no obvious location to site a bottle bank.

105/23 Additional Speed Indicator Device

With reserves in place for Highways projects, it was suggested that an additional SID might be purchased. The Clerk will check with other local parish and town councils for guidance on best SID's to purchase.

106/23 NSIPS's Training - Update from Clerk

The Clerk gave a brief overview of the recent online guidance seminar for local councils on Nationally Significant Infrastructure Projects. A guide has been published and more information can be found on the Suffolk County Council website.

Signed Chair _____ Clerk _____ Date _____

107/23 Any other business

A letter has been drafted from the Parish Council to businesses in the Toad Row area as part of traffic calming measures being looked at for that stretch of road in the village. The draft was agreed. **Proposed by Cllr Armstrong, Seconded by Cllr Hadingham.**

A further discussion was held on the subject of the Parish Council funding grass cutting at the churchyard. Historic minutes are still being checked to determine the original agreement on this.

An update was requested with regards to previous building activity at 'Mariawood' Hulver Street. The Clerk will contact the East Suffolk Council Enforcement Officer for an update.

Questions from the Public

None

108/23 Items for the agenda of the next meeting

Grass cutting at the churchyard; Budget; Precept

109/23 Date and time of next meeting.

The next meeting of the Council will take place on Wednesday 6th December 2023 at 7pm.

The meeting closed at 9.36 pm

Signed Chair_____ Clerk _____ Date _____