



Hapton Parish Council

Monday, 8th July 2019

Present: Councillor Birbeck (in the Chair) and Councillors Downham, Fowkes, Lakeland and Kayley.

Others: Steve Watson (Clerk), Borough Councillor Peter Gill plus 2 residents.

The Chair welcomed everyone.

Parish Council Agenda

Councillor Birbeck opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

	Action	By
19/20/039 Apology for absence and reasons given		
Apologies were submitted on behalf of Councillors Annmarie Differ, who was away and Joanne Greenwood who was working. The Lengthsman had also sent his apologies due a personal issue.		
19/20/040 Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interest / Code of Conduct		
There were no declarations of disclosable pecuniary interest. Interest Forms were completed by Councillors Birbeck and Fowkes		
19/20/041 The meeting would be adjourned for Public Participation.		

RESOLVED: That the meeting would be adjourned to welcome comments from members of the public.		
A resident raised the issue of the condition of Clegg's shop and stated it was an eyesore. Ownership is uncertain. The rendering is crumbling and the roof is sagging and the property is becoming dangerous. There is also the potential for youths to gain access.		
The bin outside the bus stop has not been emptied and is overflowing.		
Hapton has problem landlords letting properties to bad tenants.		
Youths damaged the memorial bench, however this has been repaired by volunteers.		
Speeding through the village was raised as a concern again, it gets worse at night. The Police are to be asked to do a hand held speed camera session. Residents were advised to report issue to the Police to get additional cover in Hapton.		
PCSO David Bailey provided a written report that is attached to these minutes.		
There was no County Councillor.		
Borough Councillor Peter Gill reported that the Hameldon Bin had been reported, a request has been submitted to change the recycling collection day and a meeting has been held with Calico regarding youth nuisance. Alleygating around the Cambridge Drive area are being considered. The Off License is being monitored for potential underage alcohol sales.		
19/20/042 The meeting was formally re-convened for business		
19/20/043 Minutes of the last meeting held on the 10th June 2019.		
The minutes of the last meeting were submitted for approval as a correct record.		
RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 10th June 2019 are approved as a correct record.		
19/20/044 Matter Outstanding as listed		
Keys have been cut. The Maintenance Contract is to be chased again. A quote for Tarmacking was considered and the tarmac option is to be progressed to a Windfarm Grant application of £7,390 plus the kerb edges at £1,950 and check what the guarantee is. The footpaths are to be moved to the next meeting. The electrical equipment is to be PAT tested. Councillor Greenwood sent a written report that set out the Borough Council has agreed to swap the goal posts with Hargrove Park for full sized posts and may fit them for free.	Maintenance Contract Windfarm Application Footpaths PAT Test	Clerk Clerk CC AH CD

An overgrown path has been reported but a response is outstanding on the other footpaths. The Princes Trust could be asked to tidy footpaths and the Lengthsman is to be asked to provide a quote for a bridge.	Quote	HK
19/20/045 Updates		
Website		
The website and Facebook page have been updated. There have been 128 unique views and 530 page views. A link to the Police Report it online website is to be published.	Link	Clerk
Update on Events		
There was no update.		
Community Centre		
There was no update.		
19/20/046 Councillor Reports including reports from representatives of outside bodies		
There was no update.		
The Heritage Group had a stall at Padiham on Parade and sold a number of books. There is an official exhibition at Towneley Hall from the 21 st September until February 2020 and schools have been approached to get involved.		
19/20/047 Lengthsman		
Grass cutting and weed strimming are still the main priorities.		
19/20/048 Allotments		
There are 3 people on the waiting list. Only 1 rent remain outstanding and a termination letter is to be sent. There were no further maintenance issues and no new applications.	Terminate Letter	Clerk
19/20/049 Planning		
Planning Applications this month. 1. PAR/2019/0298 – Prior approval for proposed conversion of agricultural building to dwelling, 8 Mill Hill Lane. 2. HOU/2019/0169 – Proposed demolition of outbuilding and erect two storey extension to rear of dwelling, 121 Manchester Road.		
The Council had no objections to application 0169. The Council will object to application 0298 on the grounds that a dwelling should not be built on greenfield land and the building should remain for agricultural use.		

RESOLVED: That any Applications received requiring a reply before the next meeting are delegated to the Clerk in consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chair.		
19/20/050 Finances		
The following invoices were tabled. Bill's for payment:		
1. Clerk's Salary – June (Standing Order) Paid	£216.13	S/O
2. HMRC Clerk Tax June	£54.03	100613
3. M J Greenwood Lengthsman June	£350.00	100614
4. Keys	£8.00	100615
The Budget Monitoring Report, Bank Reconciliations payments and receipts were noted. The Bank balances were also noted.		
Resolved: That the above bills are paid and the monitoring reports are noted.		
19/20/051 Clerk's Report including Correspondence		
The Clerk's report was noted and the Council had no comments on the review of Polling Stations.		
RESOLVED: That the Clerk's Report is noted.		
19/20/052 Visual Audits		
The grass needs trimming on Ruskin grove, agreed this would be a Lengthsman job.		
19/20/053 Good Councillor Guide		
Chapter 1 of the Good Councillor Guide was considered, there were no question. Councillor Lakeland provided Councillor Fowkes with a copy.		
19/20/054 Date of next meeting		
Date of the next meeting Monday 9 th September 2019 at 7:00pm.		



Hapton with Park monthly figures

7th June – 7th July 2019

ASB – 15 mainly in the Cambridge and Lancaster Drive area of Hapton.

ASB involving off road bikes - 3

Assault – 7

Suspicious circumstances – 8

Criminal damage – 9

Sexual offence – 2

Concern for safety – 9

Missing from home – 2

Robbery – 1

Vehicle crime – 3

Theft – 1

Burglary - 0

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