



## Hapton Parish Council

**Monday, 13<sup>th</sup> February 2017**

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

**Others:** Borough Councillors Jean Cunningham and Alan Hosker, Michael Greenwood (Lengthsman), Steve Watson (Clerk) plus 8 resident.

### **Parish Council Agenda**

Councillor Birbeck opened the meeting, welcomed everyone. He especially welcomed new Councillor Jo Garrigan to her first meeting as a Councillor.

#### **16/17/112 Council Vacancy**

Councillor Butterfield informed the Council that he had moved house and no longer qualified to be a Councillor. The Borough Council will be notified of the vacancy.

#### **16/17/113 Apology for absence and reasons given**

Apologies were submitted on behalf of Councillor Joanne Greenwood. Apologies were also submitted by County Councillor Marcus Johnstone.

#### **16/17/114 Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interest / Code of Conduct**

Councillor Kayley declared an interest in Allotments, there were no further declarations of disclosable pecuniary interest

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**16/17/115 RESOLVED: That the meeting would be adjourned to welcome comments from members of the public.**

### **Public Questions**

A resident advised that the Luncheon Club had been advised that the cook at the Hapton Luncheon Club is to be made redundant and Calico will be providing the meals. The suggestion is that a three course meal is provided at a cost of £4.50. The club also provide trips which they fund from the sale of raffle tickets. Residents advised that it was not just a luncheon club but was a social place for lonely and vulnerable elderly residents and a way to check that they are alright. Both the Club and the Council were disappointed at the lack of consultation.

It was noted that the Luncheon Club was not going to close and all luncheon clubs will be given a hot meal delivered by Calico who have been given a grant for the service.

There are currently 32 people in the luncheon club and there is a waiting list. The Leisure Trust is to be contacted about the lack of consultation. The group agreed to check out possible sources of funding to provide their own cook.

It was noted that dog fouling is still an issue and residents were advised to report any problems.

Simpson Street bungalow development is to be reported to the Planning Department as the garages have not been provided.

### **County Council Report**

There was no County Councillor Report.

### **Police Report**

There was no Police report.

### **Borough Council Report**

There was no further Borough Councillor Report

**16/17/116 The meeting was formally re-convened for business**

**16/17/117 Minutes of the last meeting held on the 9<sup>th</sup> January 2017.**

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 9<sup>th</sup> January 2017 are approved as a correct record.**

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**16/17/118 Updates**

**Website**

The website has been updated, the last month's statistics were circulated and agreed with 81 unique visitors and 177 page views. The website address is to be changed as it shows the Clerk's Home address in a google search.

The Planning Application page is to be checked. It was suggested that the website should be promoted and a Facebook page created. Councillor Garrigan will administer the Facebook Page.

**Update on Events**

No new events have been planned yet however the Heritage Group may have another Summer Fayre.

**16/17/0119 Councillor Reports including reports from representatives of outside bodies**

The Heritage Group has secured funding for the Hambeldon Works but are awaiting permission to start publicity. Digging will take place over the next 2 summers.

The PACT meeting was quite disruptive, motorbikes are still a problem and the registration number of a white van was passed to the police. A bike has been seized however bikes are still there every Sunday. A style was suggested and the Lengthsman will provide this.

A LALC meeting is due in March.

**16/17/120 Lengthsman**

The Lengthsman has done the edgings and cleared the path. A letter is to be sent to 35 Kirkside View about fly-tipping.

**16/17/121 Allotments**

A number of tenants are giving up there plots this year. There are sufficient on the waiting list to take over these plots. It was also noted that a number of plots have not been used and letters will be sent. There are 23 allotments at a cost of £70 a year with a refundable deposit of £200. A tenant has moved and his allotment will be reallocated.

**16/17/122 Planning**

The following planning applications were considered:

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- 1.1.1 **APP/2017/0036** – Outline application for the construction of a new 3 bedroom dwelling (with all matters reserved for future approval), 215 Manchester Road.

The Parish Council noted that work has started on this application already and a drop kerb has been installed. The Council will object on the grounds that house is too large in a bungalow area and clarification is needed on the access.

### 16/17/123 Finances

The following invoices were tabled. Bill's for payment:

1.1.1	Clerk's Salary – November (Standing Order)	PAID £230.60	S/O
1.1.2	Lengthsman January	£500.00	105528

**Resolved: That the above bills are paid.**

The following income was received

1. £230 Allotment Bond and 6 months' rent.

The following bank balances for 31<sup>st</sup> January were noted.

• Fundraising Account	£ 1,714.65
• Expenses	£ 6,691.77
• Env. Account	£ 23.55
• <b>Total</b>	<b>£ 8,429.97</b>

The financial reports including the Budget Monitoring Report and Bank Reconciliations were circulated and approved.

### 16/17/124 Clerk's Report including Correspondence

The Clerk's report was noted and it was agreed that The Youth Club will be contacted about return of the keys and repairs to the damage.

**RESOLVED: That the Clerk's Report and correspondence is noted.**

### 16/17/125 Visual Audits

Hambledon Road turning into Bentley Green farm there is a dumped sofa, carpets and household clearance. A van from N.G. Landscapes was spotted with household items was spotted at the Griffin Head Petrol Station and if CCTV can match the dumping there may be enough evidence for a prosecution.

Bridgefield Street residents are putting recycling boxes out too early and residents have been advised to report problems.

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There lots of rubbish in the hedgerow on the top road and the flood traffic sign is there as well. Rubbish has been dumped over the wall at the layby and a bin was requested. There is also a large tyre. There is also a broken sign in the hedgerow at Network 65. One side was cleared by LCC but not the other and large items of rubbish still remain.

Rubbish and a tyre has been dumped at the layby and a bin is to be requested.

There are broken signs near the Pet Hotel and Network 65 in the hedgerow. The following missing Street Signs will be reported, Leigh park, Simpson Street and Wood Street.

A window held together by rags on Manchester Road and Whitefield Street is to be reported. A missing bin opposite 111 Manchester Road is to be reported. The overgrown shrubs on the roundabout at Network 65 have been reported several times. Graffiti on Road signs driving towards Network 65 on the 40mph is to be reported.

A mirror was requested for Lyndale Road, however LCC have advised they no longer provide mirrors. Yellow lines are to be requested for Kingsway corner where a white van parks obstructing access.

Hapton Railway Station and the new green waste charge from 1<sup>st</sup> May are to be agenda items at the next meeting.

**16/17/126 Date of next meeting**

Date of the next meeting Monday 13<sup>h</sup> March 2017 and will start at 7:00pm.

The meeting closed and all present were thanked for attending.