

**Minutes of the Heydon Parish Council Meeting
on 14 July 2015, The End Cottage, Heydon**

Chairman: Diana MacFadyen
Parish Councillors: Livingstone, Smith
Clerk: Yvonne Harris
Attending for items 4 and 5: Rollo Barnes, Philip Gough, Michael Barley

Actual Start: 18:35

1. Apologies

Cllr van de Ven (County)
Cllr Barrett (District)
Cllr Hales (District)
Cllr Carroll (Parish)
Cllr Janson Jones (Parish)
These were accepted by the Council.

2. To receive any declaration of Pecuniary and non-Pecuniary Interests of Councillors

There were none declared.

3. To approve the minutes of the meeting on 12 May 2015

These were approved by the council as a true and accurate account of proceedings and were signed by the Chairman.

4. Appoint trustees for Heydon Fund

Rollo Barnes reported the decision at the Stop Heydon Grange Windfarm Action Group's AGM to dissolve the Group and transfer any residual monies to a new Heydon Fund. Its funds can then be passed to any like-minded, properly constituted action group or campaign to protect Heydon or nearby villages should the need arise within the next ten years (after which it would be decided whether to continue or dissolve the Fund).

The parish council was asked to nominate three trustees to manage the Fund for a three-year term. Rollo confirmed that this would be the Council's only role in the Fund. A councillor will not be permitted to be a trustee as this would breach the Council's impartiality.

The Council unanimously agreed to nominate Oliver Stracey, Edward May and Rollo Barnes as Trustees of the Heydon Village Fund. The Chairman will contact the volunteers to confirm their appointment.

5. Speeding

Philip Gough and Michael Barley asked the council to consider the problem of speeding within the village as a regular agenda item. Although their speed watches had not caught anyone, it is known that there is excessive speed by some drivers from time to time. The increase in cars parked along roads together with large agricultural vehicles

passing through has exacerbated the situation and increases the possibility of a serious accident occurring. 'Speed watch operates in this village' signs were suggested. The council agreed to contact CCC Highways about supplying a roadside speed display machine as it would cost the village approx. £3,500 to purchase one.

6. Finance

Cheques were signed to pay invoices received. The Clerk will contact Npower regarding the inaccurate supply location on their invoices.

7. Planning

Cllr Smith reported that the two outstanding planning applications (Heydonbury and 84 Fowlmere Road) had both been granted. There were no new planning applications.

Cllr Livingstone was approached by Peter Jones (84 Fowlmere Road) complaining that his application had taken 14 weeks for a decision whereas the one for Heydonbury had taken 8 weeks. Applicant to contact SCDC as it is not a parish council matter, though the PC would be interested to know the reason.

8. Heydon Lane

The Chairman reported that in spite of recent rain the problem seemed to have greatly improved. Little investigation work had been carried out recently by Highways due to their heavy workload.

9. Footpaths

George Hay, Enforcement Officer, had been contacted regarding a large amount of household goods dumped along the Icknield Way.

10. District and County Councillors Report

None received.

11. Correspondence

A poster sent by Heidi Allen MP giving her contact details had been placed on the noticeboard.

An email was received from the Campaign for Real Ale (CAMRA) encouraging the council to list the King William IV as an Asset of Community Value (ACV). A recent change in planning law that took effect in April means that any pub listed as an AVC now cannot be demolished or converted to any other use without planning permission having been obtained. CAMRA believes that communities should have their pubs listed as ACVs to prevent unregulated losses. It was agreed to discuss further at the next meeting.

12. To accept notices and matters for the next Agenda

None received.

13. Date and Venue for Next Meeting

Tuesday 15 September at 71 Fowlmere Road.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 19.51.
Our thanks to Diana MacFadyen for her hospitality.