

**Minutes of the Heydon Parish Council Annual General Meeting on 10 May 2016,
The Mission Hut, 14 Chishill Road, Heydon**

Chairman: Diana MacFadyen
Parish Councillors: Carroll, Janson Jones, Smith, Shaw
Clerk: Yvonne Harris

Actual Start: 18.35

1. Apologies

County and District Councillors will be attending the Annual Parish Meeting which follows the AGM.

2. To elect the Chairman and Vice Chairman

Cllr Carroll proposed that Diana MacFadyen be elected Chairman, Cllr Smith seconded the proposal. It was unanimously resolved that Cllr MacFadyen be elected Chairman. Cllr MacFadyen proposed that Marie Janson Jones be elected as Vice Chairman, this was seconded by Cllr Smith and it was unanimously resolved that Cllr Janson Jones be elected as Vice Chairman of the Parish Council.

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

There were none declared.

4. To approve the minutes of 08 March, 29 March, 11 April and 26 April 2016

These were approved as a true and accurate record of the meeting and were duly signed by the Chairman.

5. Finance

The Clerk circulated a copy of the cash record for 2015/16 that covered expenditure up to 31 March, and went through expenditure for this financial year to date.

Insurance cover was due for renewal on 01 June and a quotation had been received from Came and Co. for £658.72 including insurance premium tax. The company also offered a further discount reducing the annual premium to £625.78 inclusive, if the Council enters a three-year binding agreement with Hiscox until 31 May 2019. The rates applied by Hiscox at the start of the agreement will be maintained at the same level throughout the period, premiums will only increase slightly due to property sum insured being index linked. The Council voted to enter into the three-year agreement to reduce premiums. Clerk to contact Came and Co.

6. Allocation of Section 106 Payment

Cllr Carroll agreed to look into purchasing a replacement seat in the chalk pit for a maximum of £700. He will also arrange to have more keys cut for the gate.

7. King William IV – Asset of Community Value

The Council's submission for the King William IV to become an Asset of Community Value had been accepted by SCDC.

8. Planning

Cllr Smith circulated his report for the APM.

S/0068/16/FL - 67 Fowlmere Road: the application had been refused by SCDC. A further application (S/0770/16/FL) was also refused.

S/0724/15/VC – Houses 1 and 2, Heydon Golf Club: An appeal against refusal was upheld.

9. Footpaths

Cllr Shaw reported contacting Peter Gaskin regarding planned projects he had agreed with Cllr Carroll. There seemed to be confusion about what had been agreed so it was decided to start again and a meeting on site is planned.

It was noted that the upper part of the Heydon Ditch is always wet and muddy. If improved, it will hopefully stop walkers from going onto the adjacent private land to avoid the mud. Advice will be sought from English Heritage.

10. Risk Assessments

Risk assessments were carried out in April. All were satisfactory except that the water level in the ex-pond by the church had increased and is sufficient for drowning. The Clerk will organise a water hazard sign.

11. Dr Young's Charity

The Council should appoint trustees every four years. The Clerk will write to Elizabeth Livingstone and Barbara Shaw, who are the present trustees, to confirm that the Council wishes to re-appoint them for a further four years.

12. Correspondence

Anglian Water pumping station: Anglian Water has visited the site and have confirmed that the track is wide enough and of a good standard to take a 6 wheel tanker used in emergency circumstances. There were some overhanging branches on either side of the track which will be cleared. There is a large tree at the entrance and they would like to trim it back. The Clerk emailed back to confirm that the Chairman has contacted the landowner and he gave his permission for the tree to be trimmed.

13. Heydon Lane

An on-site meeting has been planned between the Chairman, Cllr van de Ven and Peter Taylor, the new CCC officer dealing with Highways, to discuss the problems at Heydon Lane.

14. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on 12 July 2016 at 84 Fowlmere Road at 6.30pm.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 19.51.
Our thanks to Rollo and Virginia Barnes for their kind hospitality.