

## **MINUTES OF A MEETING OF HEYDON PARISH COUNCIL**

Venue: Ash Cottage, Heydon  
Date: 9th July 2013  
Time: 6:30

Chairman: Diana MacFadyen  
Parish Councillors: Livingstone, Smith, Janson Jones, Carroll  
County Councillors: van de Ven  
District Councillors: Hales, Barrett  
Clerk: Sarah Scott

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Start Time: 6:38

**1. 6:30 – 6:45pm Opportunity for Public Questions**

There were no members of the public at the meeting.

**2. Apologies for Absences and Reasons**

There were no apologies.

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

There were none.

**4. To Approve the minutes of the AGM**

Cllr Barrett had a non-pecuniary interest and not a pecuniary interest – the Chairman wrote the amendment on the minutes.

**5. Planning**

Planning applications will be looked at a separate meeting on Monday.

Cllr Smith said the Digester application was still in limbo because of the clause relating to the exclusion of villages. When they resolve this, their decision will be circulated to the relevant villages for their comments.

The retrospective planning for the King William IV has not yet arrived. Chasing this will be postponed for until the next meeting. Cllr Barrett to check at SCDC to see if it had been received.

**6. Finance**

The Clerk circulated the spreadsheets and took the Parish Council through the figures. Two cheques were also signed.

## **7. Village Maintenance – bus shelter and finger post**

Mr Harradence will do the work required to bring the bus shelter up to standard and his quote of £215 was accepted.

Mick Miller will look at the Finger Post and produce a quote.

## **11. Footpaths / Trees**

It was agreed that if Mr Akhtar agrees, then the Parish Council will replace the dead field maple in the avenue in the autumn.

Cllr Carroll to speak to the footpaths department about the Icknield Way.

The Clerk had received a complaint that the cross field path from Heydon to Chrishall had not been reinstated – Cllr Carroll to check and chase this.

## **12. Newsletter possible items for inclusion**

After discussion it was decided that the following items will be in the next newsletter:

- Request that the Parish Council are copied in on any correspondence from residents relating to planning applications
- Chalk pit
- Website
- Digester update
- Windfarm update
- English Heritage Scheduling

## **13. Cilca Training – Clerks overview**

The Clerk gave an overview of some of the things she had learnt so far on her Cilca training. Some of the rules and protocols had changed since she did her initial training. It is apparent though, that it is very difficult to compare Heydon Parish Council which has a very small Precept with, for instance, Camborne Parish Council. Our Parish Council is run to the best of our abilities and resources and works within our own unique environment.

## **14. District and County Councillors Written Report**

Susan van de Ven's report is addendum 1. Cllr Janson Jones asked about the A10 bike lane – Cllr van de Ven to share updates and links with Cllr's Janson Jones and Livingstone.

Cllr Hales had received a complaint of a van driving up the bank in High Close – the Clerk to speak to Simon Booth.

He also spoke of the importance of the Parish Council's input into the LDF. The Clerk had put the consultation posters up that morning and will put a link onto the website.

## **15. Correspondence Clerk**

We had received a thank you note from the DCC for our donation to Heydon Church.

## **13. To Accept Notices & Matters for the next Agenda**

There were none.

## **14. Date and Venue for Next Meeting**

17<sup>th</sup> September, 84 Fowlmere Road.

The Chairman thanked Peter Smith for his hospitality and closed the meeting at 7:57 as there was no other notified business.

Addendum 1.

**Heydon Parish Council**  
**July 2013**  
**County Councillor Report**

1. The 31 bus service – from County Passenger Transport: *The operator of service 31, Cozy's Travel, has decided to terminate the current contract with the County Council at the end of August. As we haven't carried out the community engagement for this service yet we will be tendering for a replacement service on a like for like basis and as long as the costs received are in line with the current cost this is the service that we will be providing. I will keep you informed once we have received the results of the tender process.*

The Cambridgeshire Future Transport project meant to design replacement transport services for subsidized bus services is still without staff and the project has stalled. I'm keeping in constant contact with the Passenger Transport team who are shouldering the burden and am assured every time that the 31 will not disappear without anything to replace it – and this would necessarily involve a detailed community engagement exercise. I will keep the parish council posted but it will be a couple of months I think before anything materializes.

2. The County Council is giving away pairs of free cycle racks to community groups under a scheme called 'Park That Bike.' Installation must be carried out by the local community. Please let me know if Heydon would like to apply for any.

3. The County Council's Draft Transport Strategy for Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire: We know that SCDC has rejected the 270 homes site for Melbourn, in the Local Plan. In our part of the world, in spite of the lack of a major new development the A505 is considered to be a key transport corridor and a whole host of public transport and cycling improvements will be proposed in the aspirations which comprise the plan. There will be a public consultation from July 19-September 30.

4. Major projects and infrastructure: Cambridge City and South Cambs are engaged in vigorous discussions with central government on a possible 'City Deal' which could unlock funding for transport infrastructure. More on this to come.