

**Minutes of the Heydon Parish Council Meeting  
on 11<sup>th</sup> November, 84 Fowlmere Road, Heydon**

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

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Actual Start: 18:35

**Apologies:**

Cllr van de Ven - previous commitment  
This was accepted by the Council.

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

There were no members of the public present

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

There were none declared.

**3. To Approve the minutes of the meeting on 9<sup>th</sup> September 2014.**

It was agreed that these were a true account of proceedings and were duly signed by the Chairman.

**4. Finance**

The Clerk took the Council through the finance sheets which had been circulated. These were signed by the Chairman. At the next meeting the Council must set the Precept. Items to be mindful of is that the chestnut tree near the pond may need some work doing to it in the future. Billy Crotty to be contacted.

Fowler fencing is doing the chalk pit at the moment and will need paying.

**5. Planning**

Most planning applications are up to date and have been decided upon. The one outstanding is the digester.

There has been no news on the resubmission at The Lanterns.

*Post meeting note: Both the Biodigester and The Lanterns planning applications have been withdrawn.*

**6. Heydon Lane**

The lane has improved. George Hay (enforcement officer) is to chase the landowner as the piping from his land onto the lane has not been seen to. The large hole at the bottom of the lane near Abrams Lane has been repaired

## **7. Website Statistics**

The clerk took the Council through the latest statistics which were pleasing and positive. The clerk to change the link on the planning applications when they have been approved.

## **8. Footpaths**

It was reported that the hardcore on the footpath opposite Spring Pond is dangerous and needs rolling again. Cllr Carroll to speak to Peter Gaskin. Sugar beet is being harvested on the Icknield way and Peter Gaskin is monitoring the bridleway for damage.

## **9. District and County Councillor's Report**

A report from our District Councillor has been circulated.

Cllr Hales spoke about the opposition in Melbourn for new houses in New Road. There had been a considerable opposition to the scheme and 1600 people took part in a consultation.

The solar farms have both been approved. Cllr Hales spoke of the monetary benefits this would bring to Melbourn and Meldreth. The solar farm should be up and running by March after a three month build.

The LDF is going through at the moment. Cllr Hales explained that there are two methods used to calculate new housing requirements (Sedgwick and Liverpool) and it would appear that SCDC used the incorrect method which meant that the final figure of housing was incorrect in the negative. So the LDF was called in. The final version should be approved next year.

Cllr Smith reported that the gullies have been cleaned.

Cllr Livingstone questioned the 25 year lease to Balfour Beattie and why the street lights need replacing. It was reported that this was a government initiative.

For the time being the No 31 bus will stay after the consultation.

Sweeping leaves on the highway from properties is illegal. The Council can call Heidi Duffy in street cleaning to get them swept away.

Cllr Hales spoke of the importance of cluster villages working together.

## **10. Correspondence Clerk**

There was none

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

There were no items

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

13<sup>th</sup> January 2015, Cllr Smith

There being no other business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 7.35pm. She thanked for Cllr Janson Jones for her hospitality.