

ST. IPPOLYTS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of St. Ippolyts Parish Council held on Monday 10th May 2021 at St Ippolyts Parish Hall.

Welcome to the Meeting of St Ippolyts Parish Council. Cllr Mrs Skeggs expressed disappointment that virtual meetings cannot continue during Coronavirus pandemic.

ATTENDANCE DETAILS

Cllrs. Mrs Pamela Skeggs (Chairman), Mr Peter Hobson, Mrs Rebecca Elliott, and Mr Robert Moore.

In attendance: clerk Mrs S. L. Mears.

Also, present: Three members of the public with the clerk Mrs S.L. Mears

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies received from Cllrs Mr Thake and Mr Barnard.

2. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

The Chairman asked Cllr Mr Hobson to take nominations for a Chairman.

Cllr Mrs Skeggs was proposed by Cllr Mrs Elliott and this was agreed unanimously.

Resolved. Declaration of Acceptance of Office will be duly signed.

3. ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

The Chairman took nominations for a Vice Chairman.

Cllr Elliott was proposed by Cllr Moore and this was agreed unanimously.

Resolved Declaration of Acceptance of Office will be duly signed.

4. CONFIRMATION OF PARISH HALL REPRESENTATIVE

Cllr Mr Moore proposed Cllr Mrs Skeggs as the Council's representative on the Parish Hall Committee, and this was agreed unanimously.

5. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Members are reminded that any declarations of interest in respect of any business set out in the agenda should be declared.

6. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Copies of the Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 12th April 2021 have been circulated to each member of the Council.

Resolved. The minutes be approved as a true and accurate record of the procedures and be duly signed by the Chairman.

7. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Two residents discussed planning application 21/01426/FPH at 4 Tall Trees, resident concerns raised on proximity and light pollution. Resident to email photographs.

8.. REPORTS FROM COUNTY AND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS, POLICE AND OTHERS

There were none.

9. CLERK'S REPORT

High Court ruling Parish Council meetings must be held physically from 7th May, zoom informal meetings can continue.

Received booking form, agreement to terms and conditions, copy of public liability insurance and payment for this year and partial last year from Rainmakers Folk Dancing group using Gosmore Village Green.

Ash Drive overgrown trees land rear of property number 5; site visit 7th May attended by Cllr Mrs Skeggs and clerk. There are four trees in question, resident discussed height, overhang, and shade in garden issues.

Resolved. Contractor to inspect trees, resident to be informed.

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Aborcare to assess health and safety of a further tree rear of Ash Drive.

Cllr Mr Moore met with developer 22nd April regarding access onto driveway to recreation ground for development in Orchard Close. Licence terms discussed £75.00 pcm from 1st March 2021 to 31st December 2021, capped at 10 months £750.00 in arrears to be paid. Clerk circulated draft licence to councillors, amendments carried out on encroachment and obstruction. Clerk requested contractor contact details.

Resolved. Cllr Mrs Skeggs to mark driveway on plan, clerk to circulate updated draft.

Tom Rea was contacted regarding Maydencroft Gardens development if reconsideration could be given to planting native trees at Netherdown's site, clerk was advised western red cedars have been planted to achieve the required visibility splays for access agreed as part of the landscaping for the site.

Cllr Mr Moore discussed Maydencroft Lane unfinished steel frame agricultural barn.

Resolved. Agreed to monitor this permitted development.

Agreement signed for permission for metal detection on parish council land, resident was referred to parish council website for locations.

Rowan Grove litter bin to be installed 11th May.

NHDC Monitoring Officer emailed updated register of interest forms to be completed, circulated by clerk.

10. UPDATE ON ON-GOING MATTERS AND AGREE NEXT ACTIONS

a) Chairman's update.

Congratulations to HCC & NHDC Cllr Richard Thake, NHDC Cllr Claire Strong and our new HCC Cllr Paul Clark in the elections.

Would like to thank Derrick Ashley for all his assistance and coming to our meetings, he will be missed and wish him well in the future.

Protocol for Public Participation circulated.

Parish Council Profile update circulated.

Have received several emails and phone calls about fly tipping in our parish including Ashbrook Lane and Hitchin Lane that have reported, some has been removed but others are not within the remit as on farmer's fields and these have been reported to NHDC enforcement.

Attended with Cllr Mrs Elliott on-site visit to 6 Rowan Grove to meet with resident to discuss proposals. First proposal request to remove some bushes, add a fence and a programme of suitable replanting. Second proposal square off the curved wall by 6 sq metres, new wall with matched bricks, no access issues. Photos circulated.

Resolved i) Agreed at resident's own cost boundary fence and removal of shrubs. Fence in line up to the curved brick wall, to be marked out with string.

ii) Agreed objection in selling parish council land.

b) Consultations

Rush Green Motors Langley - Ready mixed concrete plant - Inaugural Liaison Committee Meeting proposed date 19th May. Resident representative for this meeting confirmed attendance. Cllrs Mr Hobson and Mrs Elliott to attend, Graeme King from Breedon advised members can be substituted.

Consultation on Proposals for a new care home at the former Gosmore care home, Hitchin Road, Gosmore. Presentation took place 19th April attended by Cllrs. Mrs Elliott, Mr Hobson and Mrs Skeggs. Councillors impressed with the proposals.

Department for Culture, Media & Sport consultation into rural broadband. Cllr Mrs Skeggs to view.

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c) Vacancies for North and South Wards

Cllr Mrs Skeggs thanked the outgoing Councillors for all the voluntary work they had carried out as councillors, they will be missed and all the best in the future.

Co-option Notices for two vacancies in both wards displayed. Deadline 4th June co-option to take place at 14th June Parish Council meeting. Candidates advised to contact clerk to formally apply and give short presentation at June meeting. Posters and social media profile to be agreed.

d) Maintenance and repairs

There was none.

e) Play areas, equipment and pavilion visual inspection

The visual inspection book was not signed at this meeting and will be updated and circulated.

Following Government Coronavirus Covid-19 guidance play equipment and open spaces are open, signage advising use and social distancing measures, due diligence taking place.

11. PLANNING

a) Planning Applications

21/01169/FPH at 85 Waterdell Lane, St Ippolyts. Two storey rear extension with balcony, raise existing roof ridge height and insert rooflights to existing front and side elevation roof slopes to facilitate conversion of loftspace into habitable accommodation following demolition of existing rear detached garage and shed.

Resolved It was agreed between meetings there was no objection.

21/01426/FPH at 4 Tall Trees, St Ippolyts. First floor front extension over existing ground floor.

Resolved Agreed to review photographs.

21/00434/HYA at Land North of Pound Farm Hybrid application for a residential development to provide a total of up to 84 dwellings together with associated access from London Road, including provision of a roundabout, associated parking, landscaping, open space and ancillary works comprising: Phase 1 - Application for full planning permission for the erection of 36 dwellings; Subsequent Phases - Application for outline planning permission all matters reserved except for access on the remaining part of the site for the erection of up to 48 dwellings. Extension of time given by Tom Rea NHDC.

Resolved. Concerns to be addressed on amended Flood Risk Assessment and Surface Water Drainage Strategy.

21/00966/FPH at The Barns, London Road, St Ippolyts. Erection of two storey front and two storey rear extension following demolition of existing rear extension.

Resolved It was agreed between meetings there was no objection to this planning application.

b) NHDC Planning Decisions

21/00582/FP at Land Adjacent to Brookend Farm House, Brookend Lane, St Ippolyts. Erection of detached garage and store to serve 1 no. dwelling previously approved under planning permission 18/00194/FP (as amended by plans received 19/04/2021). CP 04.05.21.

c) Planning Contributions

Planning Contributions S106: Informal Open Space - £543.06, Sustainable Transport - £2,324.81, Waste & Recycling - £515.07.

Funds approved for S106 Waste and Recycling for replacement litter bin at Rowan Grove. Funds approved for S106 Sustainable transport for bus stop repairs see 12b)

12. FINANCE

a) Payments and Receipts

The following payments were requested:-

- a) £6.50 from Clerk (Travel Allowance)
- b) £80.00 from Clerk (Home Allowance)
- c) £57.16 (inc. £4.90 VAT) from clerk (Admin-ink cartridge, cleaning products, flowers and Zoom fee)
- d) £44.34 (inc £7.39 VAT) from Talk Talk (May phone and broadband)
- e) £620.48 from Clerk (May Salary)

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Resolved. The total payment of £808.48 was approved.

The following deposited to the bank: -

a) NHDC £14,000.00 (1st half of Precept)

b) Orders and Quotations.

Bus Shelter Little Almshoe order placed.

Quote for painting equipment circulated, as referred to in April minutes.

Resolved To agree work to take place.

c) Audit 2020-2021

The deadline for completion is 30th June. Jeff Chapman to carry out internal audit.

d) Bank signatories

Cllr Mrs Elliott asked if she would become a signatory.

Resolved Agreed by councillors.

On-line forms to be completed.

13. NEW ISSUES

a) Parish Council Action Plan

Cllr Mrs Skeggs emailed 2020 document and asked that climate change including tree planting also ensuring that the fields between HT2 and St Ippolyts village remain within the Green Belt and protected from inappropriate development.

Resolved Agreed by councillors.

14. DATES OF MEETINGS

The next meeting will be the Parish Council Meeting to be held on Monday 14th June 2021 at **7:30pm** at the Parish Hall.

Meeting dates for 2021 agreed as follows:-

Mondays of 12th July, 13th September, 11th October, 15th November at 7.30pm.

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 9.40pm.