

HERRINGSWELL PARISH COUNCIL



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Minutes of Meeting held on Thursday 17th May 2017 at
Herringswell Village Hall pm

Present: Liz Marchington (Chairman)
Selina Boyce (Vice Chairman)
Garry Brown
Gloria Hicks
Steve Griffiths

In attendance: DCllr Carol Lynch
Su Field – Parish Clerk

Members of the public: 0

1 **Welcome:**

2 **Apologies/Absent:** DCllr Stansbury and CCllr Millar – absent.

3 **Minutes of Previous Meeting:** Approved and Signed

4 **Public Participation.** Allowed throughout the meeting.

5 **Police Report:** No report received. It was agreed that this item would be removed from future agendas and any report received would be dealt with under the correspondence item on the agenda.

6 **Matters Arising:**

The ongoing issue of the potholes was discussed and GH informed the meeting that she was now at the stage of sending letters to Highways informing them that she would be seeking legal advice in relation to being unable to access their property and other related issues. The pond that the water used to flow into, had been filled in and the culvert supplying said pond was no longer working effectively resulting in the fact that, because the rainwater going down the drain outside The Beehive has nowhere to go, a lake being formed in The Street when it rains.

It was agreed that a request be sent to SCC Highways to request a site meeting with a Highways Engineer to discuss the two issues of the drain and the pothole. The pothole on the opposite side of the road to The Beehive has become very wide and deep and, in our opinion, could potentially be dangerous.

7 **Planning Applications:**

It was reported that the High Court had found in favour of Lord Derby and the issue would now go back to the Secretary of State for re-consideration.

It was agreed that a letter be written to FHDC requesting that the 400 properties at Hatchfield Farm be reinstated within the draft Local Plan. LM to draft.

8 District/County Report.

DCllr Lynch informed the meeting that she had not had any further correspondence from Anglian Water in relation to the sewage situation. It was acknowledged that there had been no issues recently but any recurrence would be reported immediately to Anglian Water. No report received from CClr Millar.

9 Meetings:

High Court Appeal in London.
Manor appeal at FHDC offices

10 Correspondence:

Circulated via email.

Invitation from Suffolk Historic Churches Trust to Annual Service on 25th June 2017. Clerk was instructed to respond DECLINE due to a prior engagement.

LM provided the meeting with copies of emails from a resident concerning the use of Bury Lane and in particular to the size of farm vehicles using the Lane and the frequency. The resident had employed the services of an independent surveyor who had discovered hairline cracks in the side of the residence and had expressed concern about a stench pipe which was close to the surface of the Lane and which, if run over by a vehicle, could fracture. The resident had asked whether the Parish Council would be in support of a possible Traffic Restriction Order.

This possibility was discussed, but it was felt the restriction would not prevent the current farm users, who are creating the damage, from using the Lane. The PC were told that there was a more direct route which could have been used but drivers had been instructed to use the Lane.

It was mentioned that with rotation there should not be any further use of the Lane for the exceptionally large harvesting machines for perhaps a couple of years.

Following further discussion and on balance the Parish Council considered that a TRO would not resolve the problem as the farm vehicles in question would still have the right to access thereby not achieving the resident's desired result.

11 Payments:

Payments made out of meeting were as follows:

Village Hall	Hall Hire for April	£30.00
SALC	Payroll Service	£18.00
HMRC	PAYE on Clerk's Wages	£30.00
SALC	Membership Fee	£132.45

12 Any other Business:

None.

13 Date of next meeting: Wednesday 12th July 2017

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.05 pm

Signed :
Herringswell Parish Council

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