

Minutes of the Husborne Crawley Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 15th January 2018 in the Reading Room, Husborne Crawley which started at 8.00pm.

Present: Councillors W Cuell - Chairman, N Buist, T Hopper, R Lyman, B O'Rourke, S Pearston & Lyn Lyman - The Clerk.

In attendance: CB Cllr B Wells.

1310. **To accept Apologies:**

Apologies were received from: All Cllrs present.

1311. **Open Forum:**

Residents will have the chance to raise anything relevant to Parish Council business but they will not be able to discuss the subject more than once. A maximum of 2 minutes per subject will be allowed:

Nothing raised.

1312. **Parish Councillor Vacancy:**

Due to Cllr Hunter re-locating out of the area, there is a vacancy for a Parish Cllr. CB have been advised and the notice for the vacancy has been put in the noticeboard.

Cllrs were asked to give thought to the vacancy.

1313. **To agree Minutes of previous Meeting:**

It was **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 20th November 2017 be signed as a true record of events.

1314. **To consider Matters arising:**

1177 Street Light outages: CB Cllr Wells ascertained that there are 5 street lights out and he has asked Highways for a schedule of repairs. (These were originally reported on 22/11/16 ref: 286925 and 286924). Unfortunately it may be that it is a UK Power Networks issue.

The 30 mph sign is to be repaired by Highways.

1315. **To accept Reports:**

CB Cllr Wells:

The Pre-submission Local Plan up to 2035 is out for consultation between 11th January – 22nd February 2018. (See Agenda Item 1316 below). As Government have changed the number of housing they are dictating, the Local Plan findings need to be in by 31st March so they can be with the Inspector from the beginning of April. The final result should be known by October. The Local Plan is needed to control how the area is developed.

The application for 650 houses for the Hayfield Development is in but CBC may turn it down. If they do it will probably go to appeal. The Hayfield Consortium does not have a transport strategy at present.

Dualling of A421 from M1 Junction 13: A business case was needed for the release of the £25m to be able to do this. Milton Keynes Council will also be contributing towards the dualling. CB Cllr Wells explained other things which this will cover, including the re-structuring of the Salford Road bridge.

Oxford / Cambridge Expressway: By next Summer the corridor route will be known. It could

possibly be north of the existing railway line.

East West Rail – CB Cllr Wells explained as far as he could. (See Agenda Item 1316 below).

Gulley cleaning: It was confirmed that all 44,000 road gulleys within Bedfordshire were going to be cleaned. CB Cllr Wells thought they had been done in our area. Turnpike Road has been but Bedford Road and School Lane have not. CB Cllr Wells was advised of this.

Fly tipping: CBC have employed an ex-policeman and have had a degree of success. Vehicles illegally fly tipping have also been crushed.

Cllr Cuell asked about the weight restrictions. Parts of Husborne Crawley, Aspley Guise and Woburn are within the limit. Newport Road, Woburn is not. Signage at Toddington has to be amended.

Unfortunately the Police wont do anything about HGV's being inside the weight limit unless they see them. It is always a good idea to report the lorries to their companies giving as much information as you can and also take photographic evidence if possible. Police want photographic evidence even if we are on Speedwatch. Cllr Lyman has been reporting HGV's for some considerable time and has achieved good results.

Speedwatch: Cllr Pearston said that she is still urgently looking for volunteer. The SID machine has unfortunately been returned to the manufacturer as it wasn't working but it has now been received back in good working order. The next session should be in February.

Fete: The proposed date for this years Fete is clashing with the Royal Wedding so a new date is being discussed. Discussions have been taking place between the Reading Room Committee and the Fete Committee as the Reading Room Committee would like to organise a Street Party.

1316. **To consider Correspondence / Planning:**

The parent of a pupil attending Husborne Crawley Lower School is beginning to look after the grounds and vegetation for the school. He has noticed the grass on the Recreation Ground is not cut very often and would like to offer his company's services and would like to offer to tender. The Clerk had advised him that we are considering new/more play equipment and possibly safety surfaces but that she didn't know when that would be. He was also advised that we do not cut it on a regular basis but that when we did have it cut, the school used to pay half. He said as his children attend the school, he would cut it twice a month for £100 which would include strimming. After discussion, it was **RESOLVED** that as Cllr Buist said that as he has the relevant equipment, he would cut the grass as and when it was required which wouldn't be twice a month as it wasn't needed. Cllr Buist was thanked for his offer and it was agreed to compensate him for the fuel. The parent is to be thanked for his offer but we are already making our own arrangements.

Action: LL

CBC Budget Consultation 2018 takes place between 4th January and 29th January 2018. Questionnaires which were circulated are to be completed and returned to CBC. **Action: All Cllrs**

Network Rail has forwarded the East West Rail Western Section Phase 2 consultation documents on a memory stick. The consultation runs from 12th January – 9th February 2018. Cllr Cuell took the memory stick and agreed to advise Cllrs when he had looked at the contents. **Action: WC**

CBC Reg 19 : Pre-submission Local Plan Consultation takes place between 11th January and 22nd February 2018. The nearest Drop-In session takes place on Thursday 25th January at Lidlington Village Hall between 3pm – 7.30pm. This will include the new villages and employment in the Marston Vale which will affect Husborne Crawley. Brochures were circulated.

1317. **General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR):**

The Clerk confirmed she had attended the GDPR training session held on 28th November at Marston Moretaine.

The Clerk also confirmed that she has registered to attend the SLCC East of England Regional Training Seminar on 31st January 2018, (subject GDPR) she asked whether Husborne Crawley Parish Council would contribute towards the costs. The share would be in the region of £60. This was agreed.

1318. **Section 106 Funding:**

The Clerk confirmed the figure of £9,111.91 which the Parish Council have to spend towards Leisure/Recreation.

The quote for the re-surfacing has now been received with the cost being £19,460. The Clerk has requested a contribution towards the costs from Husborne Crawley Charity Estates. One of the Trustees is seeing if he could better the quote elsewhere so this is in abeyance at the moment.

1319. **Confidential Item:**

Anything discussed under this item, will be carried out in camera and any resident/public will be asked to leave. Subjects discussed will not appear in these minutes.

1320. **To accept Accounts:**

Balance at bank as at 31st December 2017 was £12,114.20.

It was **RESOLVED** that the following invoices be paid.

Mrs Lyman December Newsletter	45.00	000546
Mrs Lyman Clerks Salary December	100.52	s/o
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NALC have submitted the Clerks new salary offer for 2018/19 & 2019/20 to the Union. This would mean a 2% increase if accepted and would be effective from 1st April 2018.

The Clerk would like to do computer banking so a new bank mandate needs to be completed. It was **RESOLVED** this should be completed.

1321. **Date of next meetings:**

19th March 2018 starting at 8pm. Wednesday 23rd May (Annuals).

The meeting closed at 9.25pm.

Cllr W Cuell – Chairman,