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Little Horkesley Parish Council

MINUTES

of the meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 20th June 2022

Present: Chris Exley (Vice Chair)
Hannah Taylor
Chris Jacobs
Susie Goldring
Jo Petersen (Clerk)
Tracy Le Grys

Apologies

Hannah Taylor
Lewis Barber
Darius Laws

There were no declarations of Pecuniary or Non-pecuniary interest.

1. Minutes

It was noted that the date was incorrect. The clerk will amend this. Other than that, the minutes of the meeting held on 16th May were approved as an accurate record

2. Public Questions

Jonathan Eddis was present

David Burn arrived shortly after the start of the meeting and updated the Parish Council on the progress of the campaign to oppose the National Grid "GREEN" pylons scheme.

3. Co-option of new Councillor

a) The Chair welcomed Tracy le Grys to the Parish Council.

4. Declaration of Acceptance of Office

a) Tracey Le Grys read and signed the Declaration of Office

- b) Tracy was given the Declaration of Interests form the complete within 28 days.

5. National Grid “GREEN” Pylons Scheme

- a) The Chair thanked Susie Goldring and Jonathan Eddis for their hard work in opposing the scheme and preparing statements and responses on behalf of the Parish Council.

Jonathan asked David Burns if there was a campaign to get more signatures on the petition. It was agreed that the petition was a crucial part in showing public opposition to the scheme. The Parish Council agreed that it would use its resources ie website and Facebook to highlight the importance of signing the petition.

The subject of funding was discussed. This will be a critical part of the campaign moving forward. Again, the Parish Council agreed that it would highlight the importance of donating, maybe through a small monthly donation.

6. Platinum Jubilee

- a) The clerk has received a number of phone calls and messages from residents expressing their thanks for hosting the Jubilee party. It was enjoyed by all those who attended.
- b) The Parish Council would like to offer thanks to Julia Orme who provided the Village Hall free of charge for the entire weekend.
The Parish Council would also like to offer thanks to Cllr Lewis Barber and Cllr Darius Laws who provided funding for the event.
- c) The clerk has received receipts from Chris Jacobs and Tracy Le Grys and will ensure that these expenses, along with those incurred by herself, are processed

7. Affordable Housing

- a) Chris Exley confirmed that the Affordable Housing survey has been delivered to all 87 households within the parish. It can also be found online.

The response deadline is 31st July which means that the RCCE was analyse the results over the summer and get back to the Parish Council with the result in the autumn.

8. Broadband

- a) Nothing to report

9. Playground

- a) The clerk was unable to print the lease in time for the meeting. However, it was agreed that the Parish Council have approved the lease and that it will be signed by the Chair and the clerk at a later date and returned to CBC.

- b) The RoSPA report was discussed. It was agreed that the clerk would investigate whether the Parish Council is allowed to use domestic weedkiller in the play area.

Jonathan Eddis vey kindly offered to ask his handyman to visit the playground to investigate the work required on the swings. If he feels it is a big job, then we will request quotes from maintenance companies, but if he is able to do so, then he will make the repairs himself.

- c) The clerk has not received an update from CBC regarding the repairs to the fence.
- d) Paul Cutler confirmed that he will inspect the oak tree.
- e) There were no developments to the outline plan for the playground. Any work is dependent on the outcome of the Affordable Housing survey.

10. Roads, Verges & Footpaths

- a) The clerk confirmed that she has emailed all landowners regarding cross field paths and has had two replies.

11. Planning

- a) The only planning issue was the response to National Grid regarding the proposed pylon scheme. Little Horkesley Parish Council submitted their response before the deadline of 16th June

12. Bus Shelter

- a) The Chair confirmed that herself and Tracy Le Grys have completed the renovation of the notice board with the installation of the new cork.
- b) The clerk has spoken with Royal Mail about renovation the post box in the village. This will apparently be actioned within the next month.

13. War Memorial

- a) Chris Exley confirmed that he will submit a planning application for the repair to the railings at the War Memorial.

14. Parish Councillor Responsibilities

- a) It was agreed that there is no need for an “Emergency Plan Assistant” or a “CALC Representative”
The clerk will take responsibilities of “Legal Issues”

15. Finance

- a) The Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR) documents have been passed to the internal auditor
- b) The Asset Register has been updated and will be circulated by the clerk to all councillors
- c) Jonathan Eddis spoke with Gallagher and confirmed that the increase in the insurance premium was due to the liability part of the cover. He was happy that the premium was acceptable. The clerk has paid the invoice.

Invoice Approval

The following invoices were approved: None

18. Correspondence

19. Items for the Next Agenda

- Affordable Housing
- Pylons
- Bench by the bus shelter
- Mailing list allocation

..... (Chris Jacobs - Chair)

..... (Date)

Date of the next Parish Council Meeting Monday 18th July 2022 (Little Horkesley Village Hall)