22LHPC07b Little Horkesley Parish Council

MINUTES

of the meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 18th July 2022

Present: Chris Exley (Vice Chair)

Hannah Taylor

Chris Jacobs

Susie Goldring

Tracy Le Grys

Jo Petersen (Clerk)

Jonathan Eddis

Apologies

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 20th June were approved as an accurate record

2. Public Questions

Jonathan Eddis was present

3. National Grid "GREEN" Pylons Scheme

a) Susie Goldring updated the Parish Council with news from the A134 Pylons Group which included requests for donations. It was also noted that Sir Bernard Jenkins was debating the issue in Parliament that evening.

4. Affordable Housing

a) There was nothing to report from Chris Exley and he will not expect an update until September.

5. Broadband

a) There was nothing to report.

6. Playground

- a) The clerk confirmed that the lease will be signed by a second member of the Parish Council and posted this week
- b) Jonathan Eddis confirmed that his handyman was unable to repair the swings and the clerk confirmed that she has emailed Mortimer Contracts and requested a quote for the repair work.
- c) The clerk has not received a response from CBC regarding the damage to the fence. The clerk will proceed with obtaining quotes for replacement of the missing fence.
- d) Councillors discussed the report from Paul Cutler regarding the inspection of the Oak Tree in the Recreation ground. It was agreed that the amount of work required and the subsequent cost, may well be prohibitive. It was suggested that perhaps the tree should be cut down and replaced with a "Queen's Jubilee" Tree.
 The clerk will forward the report to the insurance company to see if it is considered a liability. The clerk will also ask Paul Cutler for a quote to carry out the work, and for a separate quote to take the tree down.
- e) There were no developments to the future plan for the playground.

7. Roads, Verges & Footpaths

It was noted by Hannah Taylor that UK Power Networks have warned that power lines have been sagging due to the exceptionally hot weather. Members of the public should take care.

8. Planning

- a) There were no new planning applications to discuss
- b) The email from Cllr Nigel Chapman was noted which detailed the Appeal Decisions at Thrift Farm

9. Bus Shelter

- a) It was noted that the Post Box has been renovated by Royal Mail as requested by the Parish Council.
- b) The bench at the bus stop dates from the Queen's Coronation. It is in a very poor state of repair; is very wobbly and looks tired and scruffy. It was agreed that the clerk would apply for

a grant to replace the bench, which seems very fitting in this, the Queen's Platinum Jubilee year.

10. War Memorial

a) Chris Exley confirmed that he has measured the railing at the war memorial in preparation of producing details drawings which was be submitted to the conservation officer.

11. Mailing List

a) It was agreed that the next time the Parish Council have a mailing to distribute to households in the village, we will look at the list of houses to confirm the allocation.

12. Finance

a) The Q1 Report was given to Chris Exley to approve

13. Correspondence

A hard coy of "Countryside Voices" was shared.

14. Items for the Next Agenda

- New Chairman
- New Councillor
- Affordable Housing
- War Memorial
- Pylons
- · Bench by the bus shelter
- Grandfather Rights

 (Chris Jacobs - Chair)
 (Date)

Date of the next Parish Council Meeting Monday 26th September 2022 (Little Horkesley Village Hall)