



Hedgerley Parish Council

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held on
14th December, 2015

In the Youth Club Hut,

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Present - Cllr. Neil Coxhead (Chairman), (NC), Cllr. Derek Baker (Vice Chairman), (DB), Cllr Marcus Orchard (MO), Cllr Paul Miller (PM), and the Clerk

Chairman indicated Emergency Exits

In Attendance – Cllr. Peter Hardy (BCC), and four members of the public

Apologies for absence – Cllr. Maurice Ridgeley (MER), Cllr Judith Evans (EJE) and Cllr David Vincent (SBDC)

1. To approve draft Minutes of meeting held on 9th November which had been publicised on the noticeboards previously

Minutes were approved as a true record, subject to one minor alteration, and signed.

2. County Councillor

PH wanted to say how he enjoyed his visit to the Jingle Tingle at the Memorial Hall.

PH told the meeting that he had met up with the LAT. He said that they looked at the various potholes around the village. Those mentioned were Hedgerley Hill, Kiln Lane, Stevenson Road and Cottage road mouths. NC mentioned Jones Way. The problem of the dip in Hedgerley Lane; would be keeping an eye on whether things deteriorate further.

BCC budget consultation. He said this will be a very tough budget year. Certainly going to get an increase in Council Tax.

3. District Councillor

Not present

4. County Council Matters - nothing to report

5. Clerks Information Items

Duneen verge problem - had heard nothing further since last meeting. Ben Harris had put in ground pins with barrier tape. Council will be inviting the home owners to attend the January meeting if nothing has been heard prior to that.

Kemsley Wood 'den' - following discovery of a den being built in the wood and the resulting very large amount of rubbish being left around, Councillors requested that David Vincent be contacted to deal with the problem.

Parking in Jones Way - it had been observed that vehicles had been parking on the Green opposite Jones Way. It was suggested that the Clerk get in touch with the contractors who are working on No.11 to ask if they had been parking there. If this was the case, the contractors would be asked if they could desist.

Driving on the Green - Councillors were informed that a vehicle/vehicles had been seen driving across the Green. A resident who had seen this happening managed to take the registration number and informed the Police.

6. Finance

Finance report was noted

Letter of authority to NatWest allowing the Clerk to request access to any banking queries/requests.

MO asked NC that quarterly variance (spend versus budget) reports be produced

7. Planning

DB detailed the report, which was noted.

8. Property

Kiln Wood - Coppice Way residents' consultation

After receiving eight 'no' replies, two 'yes' and two others that answered 'yes' but with several additional points, Councillors agreed that nothing further will be done for the foreseeable future.

Tree Safety Report

The quotations should be received before the next meeting. The consultant will be undertaking a resistograph test on the large oak at the end of the Green to its condition.

Stile on Hedgerley Hill

The quotation was for either softwood timber (£260) or, as the contractor suggested, Hedgerley milled timber in hardwood (£380). Councillors approved the hardwood quote.

Permission to hold 'wassail' in the Orchard on 9th January

Councillors approved.

Bench in memorial to the late Ted Evans

NC was writing the wording for the commemorative plaque to put on the bench.

Kiln Wood Management Plan access

As the lower part of Kiln Wood is almost due to commence, Councillors were asked their opinion for the means of access for getting into that part of the woodland and to actually get the timber out. Councillors were concerned that there would be too much mess on the road. Further thought on this for the next meeting.

9. Slade Farm

PH told the meeting that he had met with the Case Officer at County Hall. He referred to the Aggregate Assessment 2015 which would add considerably to our cause. He said that Highways Development Control for clarification information. PH said if it was assumed to be turned down because it was not viable for transport reasons. He said he would persevere with this in the next plan. Building development in South Bucks will have the effect of sterilising the area once it was built. PH said this was not the time frame; possibly it will be February. He considered the Case Officer would refuse it.

He also commented that he found the public meeting held recently in Hedgerley was very helpful. NC said that something would be put in the Community Plan regarding planning, then start with the Neighbourhood Plan.

10. Community Plan - EJE sent a message to say that there was nothing further to report at this time.

11. Meetings

To report on - nothing at this time

To attend - nothing at this time

12. Date of next meeting

Monday 11th January 2016. Youth Club Hut.

Meeting closed at 9.10pm.

Democratic period

Councillors were asked about the possibility of a Forest School being held in Kemsley Wood. It was agreed for this to be discussed at the January meeting.

David Mitchell brought attention to the mud and debris left by contractors working at Portman Burtley estate in

Andrew Hill Lane.