

Hemswell Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 04 March 2014 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

Present: Cllrs Blanchard, Foster, Huntley, Dist Cllr Howitt-Cowan & Sharon Gleave (Clerk)

Public Discussion

No members of the public present.

01/0314 Chairman's welcome

Cllr Blanchard opened the meeting and explained that he would be chairing the meeting in Cllr Dutton's absence.

02/0314 Apologies for absence and reasons given

Cllr Dutton
Cllr Black
County Councillor Strange

03/0314 To receive any declarations of interest in accordance with the requirements of the Localism Act 2011, and to consider any applications for dispensations in relation to disclosable pecuniary interests.

None.

04/0314 Police report

Report already given in the Annual Assembly

05/0314 District and County Councillor report

Report already given in the Annual Assembly

06/0314 Notes of the last meeting of the Council held on 14 January 2014 to be approved as the minutes.

The notes of the meeting held on 14 January 2014, having been previously circulated were proposed and seconded as the minutes and signed by the chairman.

07/0314 To receive reports for information only

- Clerk's report
Clerk informed the meeting the Cllr Dutton has attended a meeting this evening regarding the A631.
Potholes have been reported and filled.
There is still no word as to whether RWE will appeal the Wind farm application.
Cllr Huntley has reported a highways van in the village doing no work for 3 hours, one man was asleep. Next to no work appeared to have been done.

08/0314 Matters for consideration

- Cllr Huntley would like to step down as the Parish council representative on the Village Hall Committee. Cllr Huntley has carried out this role for many years. There are currently 5 members on the committee and there needs to be a Parish Council representative on there. Cllr Blanchard thanked Cllr Huntley for all of her work during her time on the committee. Discussed the options available as it is difficult for the Councillors to find the time to commit. Will discuss further at the next meeting.
- Neighbourhood Plan
Discussed the meeting that took place with Rob Lawton on 25 February 2014 in which he introduced Neighbourhood Plans and their place within the community. It was felt that the village is not large enough to warrant introducing the Neighbourhood Plan.

Resolved: Not to introduce a Neighbourhood Plan in Hemswell

- **Newsletter Printing**
The quality of newsletter printing has significantly dropped. Cllr Dutton asked the Clerk to bring quotes from other companies, however, the Parish Council felt it unfair to appoint another company to do the printing following one bad print.
Resolved: To keep printing the same
- **Cemetery Quotes**
The quotes were given for replacing the gate posts and scarifying works to the Cemetery and were accepted. Will bring rabbit fence quote to the next meeting.
Clerk to arrange.

09/0314 Faults and Repairs

Discussed the overly large internet mast on the village hall and the reasons for it being in place. The mast is linked with the radio mast at Ingham, which is not live yet, the internet mast will be readjusted once the radio mast is live and will come down a bit.

10/0314 Cemetery

Nothing to report.

11/0314 Village Hall update

Cllr Huntley read a report.

Mervin Stutter evening was a success.

Mayday preparations are ongoing.

The hall has now been acquired for the village for 40 years.

Each councillor to write a brief letter of support for the grant applications. Clerk to write one from the Parish Council and personally.

12/0314 Financial Matters

- The Councillors were presented with the profit & loss, bank reconciliation & variation to date.
- The following cheques were authorised:
 - i. Mrs S Gleave – Clerk Payment - £245.00
 - ii. Mr R Millward – Newsletter Printing – £20.00

13/0314 Planning matters

131018 – Scoping Opinion at Browns Holt, Corringham

Clerk read a proposed draft response which was agreed. Clerk to send.

14/0314 Correspondence

None.

15/0314 Councillors reports and items for inclusion on the next agenda

A resident has asked if there is any possibility of getting the skips back into the village. It was felt that this is not possible as the service from West Lindsey has been improved significantly since we had the skips and all residents can now utilise West Lindsey's services.

16/0314 Date of next meeting

Tuesday 13 May 2014 at 7.30pm

Meeting closed 8.45pm

Signed:

Date: