

**Cllr B Dutton (Chair); Cllr M Blanchard Vice Chair); Cllr P Huntley;
Cllr J Storr; Cllr M Foster; Cllr C Black; 05/12/2014**

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF
HEMSWELL PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON TUESDAY 11TH NOVEMBER 2014
IN THE VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30PM**

DRAFT MAY BE SUBJECT TO AMENDMENT

1 PRESENT: Cllr B Dutton (Chair); Cllr M Blanchard (Vice Chair); Cllr P Huntley
Cllr C Black; Cllr M Foster;

Also Present: Dist. Cllr Paull Howitt Cowan; County Cllr Lewis Strange
PCSO Julie McFaul; Clerk Mrs D Millward

2 APOLOGIES: Cllr J Storr; (Reason noted and accepted)

3 ADJOURNMENT

Reports given by District Cllr Paul Howitt Cowan; PCSO Julie McFaul.
County Councillor Lewis Strange

Precis of reports to be included in the newsletter.

The Chairman thanked all for their attendance and their continued support.

4 DECLARATION OF INTEREST: None

5 MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER AND EXTRAORDINARY OCTOBER MEETINGS 2014

Signed and agreed as a true and correct record

Proposed: Cllr B Dutton; Seconded Cllr M Blanchard; Unanimous

6 Matters to be Discussed

6.1 RESIGNATION OF CLLR R PEACOCK

The Council said thanks should be relayed to Mr Peacock for his
commitment during his period as a councillor. A letter to be sent.

6.2 RABBIT FENCING & GRAVE SPACES

Cllr Blanchard will arrange the rabbit fencing and Clerk to obtain
information on grave line markers.

6.3 LEGAL ADVICE FROM NALC

The legal officer of NALC has confirmed that the Council can pay for a
barrister and reclaim the VAT..

7 HIGHWAYS & PLANNING

7.1 PLANNING REFERENCE 131764 – LAND ADJ 6 BUNKERS HILL

NOTED: WLDC refused this planning application

7.2 DOG BINS

Clerk has chased up the dog bins but has yet to find any suitable dog
notices for Beck Lane

- 7.3 NOTICEBOARD
The noticeboard on the Village Hall wall is a community board and Parish Council have agreed to replace this as it is not fit for purpose. Clerk to approach Community Council to ascertain if there is a Community Chest grant which council could apply for.
- 7.4 HEDGE ON A631
Resolved: to write to Highways and ask them to cut this hedge as it is dangerous. Council had received no reply from their recent letter to the landowner.
- 7.5 VILLAGE SIGNS
All signs have been mended.
- 8 REPORT FROM VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE
Cllr P Huntley gave the report which is to be included in the newsletter. There is a dangerous floor area and Council agreed to pay £456 to have this rectified as the Village Hall is essential for Council meetings. VAT can be reclaimed on this purchase.
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- 9 FINANCE
- 9.1 GROUNDS MAINTENANCE
Council have received two tenders. Council decided they needed more information before making a decision.
An invoice had been received from Mr Gillott but as there is some confusion with regard to whether the Church PCC has been paying invoices it was agreed not to sign a cheque at the present time.
- 9.2 CLERK'S SALARY
Authorised for October & November - £255
Added to clerk's cheque is Newsletter Printing and Insert printing.
Total Cheque authorised to clerk £293.38
- 9.3 Budget and Precept
Proposed: Cllr B Dutton; Seconded: Cllr M Blanchard; Unanimous
Resolved: The precept to be set at £5155
- 11 MEETING CLOSED – 9.15PM
- 12 DATE OF NEXT MEETING –
Tuesday 13 January 2015 – In The Village Hall at 7.30pm
Future meetings:
10th March; 14th April (Parish Assembly at 7pm); 12th May (Annual PC)
14th July; 8th September; 10th November.