

## Minutes of the Meeting of East Hendred Parish Council, Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2024 at 7.30pm in Snells Hall

Present: Cllr Charles Pappenheim (Chair), Cllr Mark Beddow, Cllr Jason Champ, Cllr Selby Stocks, Cllr Aloysius Atkinson

Clerk: Julia Evans

Finance Officer: Julia Evans

County Councillor:

District Councillor: Sarah James

Members of the Public: Two (2) Jerry Bird & Ivan Mulford

72/24	<b>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</b> Cllr Hilary Dorling, Cllr John Sharp, Cllr Mark Francis	
73/24	<b>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</b> None	
74/24	<b>OPEN FORUM</b> Sports Club presentation. A new plan was shown to the council with the play park being moved to a new area on the east of the site and more parking created. It was agreed that before the council could agree to support a pre-application, OPFA are to be asked to reassess the proposed move of the playpark and a description and plan of the new proposal was to be delivered to all residents of Mill Lane and the properties adjoining the sports ground and comments invited. Cllr Stock to contact OPFA, Mr J Bird to draft the description. The council is to approve the description before it is delivered.	SS/CLERK/JB
75/24	<b>ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 1 FEBRUARY 2024</b> The minutes were reviewed and approved. Proposed Cllr Stocks. Seconded Cllr Champ. RESOLVED. The minutes were signed.	
76/24	<b>MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF 1 FEBRUARY 2024 MEETING NOT OTHERWISE COVERED ON THE AGENDA</b> a) <b>The sale of social housing in the village.</b> When social housing is sold it is sold on the open market. Where social housing built on exception sites is rented out, people from the village should be given priority. Clerk to contact Vale of White Horse Council. b) <b>Community Speedwatch.</b> There has been a session in West Hendred. No one was caught speeding. More volunteers from East Hendred needed. c) <b>Tree Survey.</b> Budget needs to be sorted to assist the church with the management of this. Mr Jerry Bird has offered to assist with the maintenance of the yew tree which had been agreed with the previous rector and is being discussed with the current incumbent.	CLERK
77/24	<b>POLICE REPORT.</b> No report received	
78/24	<b>COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT</b> No report received.	
79/24	<b>DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT</b> A written report had been circulated prior to the meeting. Thames Water gave a briefing for Councillors on the technical modelling for fluvial flooding risk and ground water flooding risk. Following the Joint Local Plan meeting where people complained about the large number of power cuts, Sarah James raised the matter at the Vale and asked for better support during these power cuts. She is awaiting a detailed answer on the subject. Brown bin scheme is changing and moving to a permit scheme in 2025. Councillor Pappenheim pointed out that our County Council is in favour of HIF1 and asked the view of District Council's position on the matter SJ stated that they are in favour.	
80/24	<b>FINANCIAL MATTERS</b>	
81/24	a) <b>March payments.</b> The payments totalling £3171.62 were approved. Proposed Cllr Atkinson, Seconded Cllr Turnbull. RESOLVED.	CLOSED

	<p>b) <b>Approval of funds to be transferred to EMR</b> £10235 Proposed Cllr Atkinson, Seconded Cllr Champ</p> <p>c) <b>Bank account signatories.</b> To add in Clerk and Cllr Atkinson onto the TSB and Nationwide accounts. Cllr Pappenheim to be added onto the Nationwide account.</p> <p>d) <b>St Marys.</b> Carry forward to April</p> <p>e) <b>Citizens advice.</b> Carry forward to April</p> <p>f) <b>Review of documents.</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>I. Review of standing orders</li> <li>II. Review of financial regulations</li> <li>III. Review of code of conduct</li> <li>IV. Review of risk assessment</li> <li>V. Review of asset register – Cllr Pappenheim has reviewed. All documents reviewed and adopted by the Parish Council. Proposed Cllr Atkinson, Seconded Cllr Champ.</li> </ol>	<p>CLOSED</p> <p>CLERK/JE</p>
82/24	<b>PLANNING MATTERS</b>	
83/24	a) <b>P24/V0429/LDP 4 Home Farm Close East Hendred Wantage</b> - Certificate of Lawfulness for a proposed loft conversion. Granted.	
84/24	<b>Applications received since the publication of the agenda.</b> None	
85/24	<b>To review planning applications awaiting determination by the Vale and those recently approved.</b> Nothing	
86/24	<b>Greensands Update.</b> No update	
87/24	<b>Proposals for the Steventon Reservoir.</b> Cllr Turnbull had circulated a draft letter; this was read out. Cllr Turnbull to send to clerk who will send onto the Secretary of State, Managing Director of Ofwat and our MP. Cllr Beddow had also developed a letter around safety which he had sent to the Secretary of State.	MB/RT/CLERK
88/24	<b>Relief for Rowstock and HIF1.</b> Enquiry is still ongoing. Cllr Turnbull had attended this. Cllr Turnbull had issues around the model they had used. The proposals for the relief for Rowstock – Providing a bus lane and cycle lane thereby narrowing the road. Proposals do not fit with the proposals for the other side of the roundabout.	
89/24	<b>LOCAL PLAN REFORM.</b> CLOSED	
90/24	<b>COMMUNITY EMERGENCY PLAN SURVEY.</b> Carry forward to April	
91/24	<b>NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN.</b> No progress. Cllr Turnbull felt the whole of Harwell Campus should be included. Cllr Turnbull to approach an expert who recently organised the very rapid development of a Neighbourhood Plan speaking to the council about producing such plan.	RT
92/24	<b>MEETING WITH ST MARY'S</b> Carry forward to April	
93/24	<b>DATE FOR ANNUAL PARISH MEETING.</b> Proposed for Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> April. Plan to be put in place.	
94/24	<b>PLAN FOR MAY PARISH MEETING.</b> This will be held on 9 <sup>th</sup> May 2024.	
95/24	<b>SPORTS CLUB.</b> See above	
96/24	<b>LUDBRIDGE AND RIDGEWAY CLOSE MATTERS</b> Cllr Pappenheim – request received for an owl to be placed at the top end of the village – No progress	CP
97/24	<b>JUBILEE PLAY PARK</b> Proposal for new bench to be installed. £900 Proposed Cllr Pappenheim, Seconded Cllr Atkinson.	CLERK
98/24	<b>VILLAGE FAIR</b> Cllr Dorling has been organising. A number of village organisations are interested.	HD
99/24	<b>ROWSTOCK</b> None	
100/24	<b>COMMUNITY ART PROJECT</b>	

	Carry forward to April	HD
101/24	<b>HENDRED ESTATE ITEMS</b> None	
102/24	<b>GIGACLEAR BROADBAND INSTALLATION.</b> This is about installing full fibre around the village. Gigaclear are keen that a meeting is held. Cllr Pappenheim noted that clarity was required on whether residents could choose their internet service provider or if they would have to use Gigaclear on a cable that was installed by Gigaclear. Cllr Pappenheim to investigate this.	
103/24	<b>WORKING GROUPS / REPRESENTATIVES REPORTS AND UPDATES</b>	
104/24	<p>a) <b>Allotments</b> – Leaking tap reported to Hendred Estate. Cllr Champ pointed out that there was only one Cllr on the working group for the allotments. Cllr Champ volunteered to join.</p> <p>b) <b>Communications:</b></p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">a. <b>New Website</b> – Cllr Dorling has developed a communications policy. This is to be reviewed and put before the council for adoption.</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">b. <b>Review of suggestions register.</b> One suggestion received – To have HEG advertise Bingo and cinema nights on lamp posts for those who do not have internet.</p> <p>c) <b>Infrastructure</b></p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">a. <b>Courtesy Lights.</b> One light's support post badly broken.</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">b. <b>Playground Maintenance.</b> Broken bench plank has now been repaired. Signs need to be refurbished and goal mouths need repair. Broken fence rail has now been repaired.</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">c. <b>Snells Walkway.</b> Cllr Pappenheim – Covered within play park repairs above.</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">d. <b>Grounds Maintenance.</b> Cllr Francis to review grass cutting contract. Cllr Pappenheim to arrange to cut grass in the next couple of weeks outside of contract.</p>	<p>HD</p> <p>MF/CP</p>
105/24	<b>ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY</b> Nothing to report.	
106/24	<b>HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORT (SPEEDWATCH)</b> See above	
107/24	<b>HARWELL LIAISON AND HARWELL CAMPUS</b> Nothing	
108/24	<b>GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE</b> Nothing	
109/24	<b>ANY OTHER BUSINESS</b> Nothing	
110/24	<b>PLAYGROUND INSPECTIONS</b>	CP/AA AA/RT
111/24	<b>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</b> Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> April 2024	

The meeting closed at 21:56