

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF HADDENHAM PARISH COUNCIL held on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2015 at 7.30 p.m. at the Arkenstall Village Centre, Station Road, Haddenham, Cambs.**

**Attendance:** Cllrs Cheetham, Goddard, Haigh, Hugo, Lyon (Chairman), Norman, Parr, Smith, Tindall, G Wilson, P Wilson, Bayes and Page.

1. **GUEST SPEAKER:** Keeley Russell of Balfour Beatty informed the Council of the Cambs. County Council's plans to upgrade its street lighting infrastructure throughout the County. They have a 5 year investment programme to enhance the lighting on classified traffic routes to a prescribed safety standard, using the new white lighting. This will cover about 60,000 lights across the County.

They will begin planting the new columns in Haddenham/Aldreth at the end of January and all affected houses should have received a leaflet explaining the proposals. Twenty existing lights will be removed completely.

It was emphasised that this programme does not affect those lights owned by the Parish Council.

They have a contact number for all queries, which is 0800 7838 247

Cllr. Lyon thanked Ms Russell for her time and excellent explanation to the Council.

2. **GUEST SPEAKER:** Lucy Frazer, the Conservative Candidate for S.E.Cambs. at the forthcoming General Election in May, attended the meeting both to introduce herself to the Council and to hear any concerns.

She gave the Council a brief personal history and outlined her reasons for wishing to be our Member of Parliament. She explained that she is a qualified barrister and QC, with her early career spent working for the UN in New York and the EU in Brussels. She has spent the last year getting to know the constituency and its issues and has recently bought a house in Snailwell.

Cllr. Lyon thanked Ms Frazer for her attendance and her interest in the parish.

3. **MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING** having been circulated were taken as read. It had been noted that the list of Meeting Dates for 2015 had been entered incorrectly, and this correction would be made. On this basis, Cllr Parr proposed and Cllr Hugo seconded that the minutes should be signed as a true record of the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

**4. MATTERS ARISING**

There were no matters arising.

**5. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

There were no apologies for absence.

**6. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cllrs. P and G Wilson declared an interest in Items 8d & 14

**7. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

No members of the public wished to speak on any matter on the agenda.

