

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF HADDENHAM PARISH COUNCIL held on Wednesday 12th February 2014 at 7.30pm at the Arkenstall Village Centre, Station Road, Haddenham, Cambs.

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

1. GUEST SPEAKER

Cllr Lyon welcomed Emma Grima, Infrastructure Programme Manager from East Cambs District Council who had attended the meeting to speak about Community Infrastructure Levy. Developers will be required to make a contribution to the District Council, based on a rate of £90 per square metre and 15% of this will be passed on to the Parish Council to be used for the good of the parish. If a Neighbourhood Plan were in place the amount coming to the parish would rise to 25%. There is already £778 to come from development in Haddenham and a possible £14,000 for proposed development over the next 18 months.

The transfer of funding is expected to take place in April and October each year and must be spent within 5 years. Payments could be made more frequently than twice a year or held back according to what the Parish Council wishes and progress of projects. There will be criteria for what it can be spent on and the Council will be required to demonstrate the receipts and expenditure in its annual accounts.

There are plans to exclude self-build homes from paying CIL, i.e. one dwelling built for that person to live in for a minimum period of 3 years and this is going through government at the moment.

Class B industrial developments and social housing will also be exempt from CIL. Retail Classes A1 – A5 will be liable but this will be reviewed next year.

The remaining 85% of contributions will be allocated at 5% for administration and 80% towards a Regulation 123 List of projects that the District Council will compile and authorise, e.g. Ely Leisure Village, Littleport School. Parishes may also be able to apply for projects to be added to that list but Emma will return at some point to discuss this in more detail.

Cllr Lyon thanked Emma for attending and she left the meeting.

- 2. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING** having been circulated to all members were taken as read. Cllr Parr proposed and Cllr G Wilson seconded that the minutes should be signed as a true record of the meeting subject to clarification of the "metre intervals" mentioned in Item 7 under required conditions. Motion carried unanimously.

3. MATTERS ARISING (For Information Only)

- a. Flashing Speed Signs:** (See Minutes FC 01/2014 Item 1) The Clerk advised that the sign in West End/Hillrow requires a replacement sensor and this is being sourced by the County Council. When the engineer comes out to fit the new sensor he will also carry out a full inspection of all the other flashing speed signs and put any necessary repairs in place including the one in Station Road.
- b. Contribution to Station Road Crossing:** (See Minutes FC 01/2014 Item 13) The Clerk had approached the Great Mill View developer regarding a contribution to the proposed crossing in Station Road but unfortunately they would not be prepared to make one.
- c. Response from Rights of Way Officer re proposed wind farm:** (See Minutes FC 02/2014 Item 11C) The Officer is aware of the proposals for a wind farm and had responded to the Scoping Opinion advising that there are already significant problems with byways being damaged and he would discourage any increase in vehicular traffic. He had also advised that if a wind farm was built at this location then the County Council might try to seek some compensation for the loss of enjoyment of the paths. If planning permission is granted the byways must remain open and unobstructed at all times, building materials and contractor's vehicles must not be stored or parked on them. No alteration to the byway surface is permitted without the consent of the County Council, hedges and fences must be maintained and the developer has no right to obstruct a public right of way. The Clerk has also forwarded details of the application for a temporary mast to the Officer.

It was agreed that Cllr Hugo would speak on behalf of the Parish Council at the District Planning Committee Meeting on 5th March.