

20. APPOINTMENT OF INTERNAL AUDITOR 2015/16

Cllr Parr proposed and Cllr Cheetham seconded that Mr Trevor Bowd should be appointed as Internal Auditor for 2015/16. Motion carried unanimously.

21. ANNUAL REPORT 2014/15

Cllr Parr proposed and Cllr Cheetham seconded that the draft Annual Report for 2014/15 should be approved. Motion carried unanimously.

22. PARISH COUNCIL VACANCY

Following the uncontested election a vacancy now exists for a thirteenth member. The Clerk advised that she would advertise this and follow the procedure for a co-option to be carried out at the July Full Council meeting. Cllrs Goddard and Hugo along with others expressed their objections that the Council has to co-opt a new member so soon after an election when people have had the opportunity to stand as a candidate with the rest of the councillors. The Clerk advised that although she is sure the co-option will have to go ahead she will seek advice from the District Council and it was agreed that she should then proceed as necessary according to the advice she receives.

23. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

15/00436/FUL 36 Duck Lane, Haddenham: Extension above integral garage and garage conversion. Cllr Parr proposed and Cllr Bays seconded that there were no objections.

15/00212/FUL 37 Lode Way, Haddenham (Amendment): Proposed two-storey extension and increase in roof height. Amendment to involve reduction in the ridge height of the proposed extension. Cllr Bays proposed and Cllr Cheetham seconded that the change is not clear or obvious and does not significantly address the Parish Council's concerns. All previous comments and concerns remain. Motion carried unanimously.

24. PLANNING MINUTES PM 06/2015

Due to the elections and changeover of Planning Committees the minutes of the last planning meeting (PM 06/2015) were brought to Full Council for approval. Cllr Hugo proposed and Cllr Goddard seconded that the minutes should be signed as a true record of the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

25. CAMBS COUNTY COUNCIL PROPOSED 3RD REVISION OF THE LOCAL VALIDATION LIST FOR APPLICATIONS FOR PLANNING PERMISSION

Dr Alan James had submitted some very detailed comments for the Parish Council to consider in its response to the consultation. It was felt that it would not be appropriate to include that level of detail as the view of the parish but the Council would thank Dr James for his submission and urge him to make his own submission to the County Council. It was agreed that the Parish Council had nothing further to add to the consultation.

26. HADDENHAM LIBRARY LEASE

As reported earlier under Item 16L the lease had been signed by all three parties on 16th April 2015.

27. BOUNDARY ISSUE AT HADDENHAM RECREATION FIELD

(See Minutes FC 04/2015 Item 2d) The Clerk had received a Land Registry Notice of an application by the owners of 18 Hop Row for registration of the strip of land adjoining the Haddenham Recreation Field on the basis of adverse possession. This had been accompanied by a signed statement by the previous owner to the effect that the land was fenced in when he purchased the property in 1996 and when he replaced the fence in 2004 it was erected in exactly the same place. The Parish Council had not legally challenged the use of the land during that period of time and therefore the owners, past and present, having been in possession for at least 12 years are entitled to legal ownership of the land.

Cllr Norman proposed that the Parish Council should make an objection against the application to Land Registry but there was no seconder and therefore the proposition failed.