

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF HADDENHAM PARISH COUNCIL held on Wednesday 10th October 2012 at 7.30pm at the Arkenstall Village Centre, Station Road, Haddenham, Cambs.

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

1. **MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING** having been circulated to all members were taken as read. Cllr Tindall proposed and Cllr Lyon seconded that the minutes should be signed as a true record of the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.
2. **MATTERS ARISING (For Information Only)**
 - a. **Water problems in Lode Way:** (See Minutes MM 08/2012 Item 2c) A site meeting had been held between Anglian Water, the District Council, Cllr G Wilson and Mr Allen regarding the problems in Lode Way with drainage and sewage flooding. Extensive improvements are being carried out to the treatment plant to reduce the gases to the required level of 5%. It is thought that a lot of the flooding problems have been caused by surface water drains being connected to the sewage system, which is not built to cope with large amounts of rainfall, etc.. Anglian Water would urge all residents to report flooding as soon as it occurs and they will come out to assess where the problem is then try to fix it. If they are unable to do so this will be reported back to Cllr Wilson and Mr Allen.
 - b. **Haddenham Brownies Tree Planting Project:** (See Minutes MM 08/2012 Item 2d) An area at the far end of Wayman's Pits has been cleared and will be marked out for the tree-planting project, which will take place on Sunday 18th November starting at 10.30am.
 - c. **Wall at Feast's Green:** (See Minutes MM 08/2012 Item 21) Cllr Lyon had visited the owner of 19 The Green as agreed last month and he assured Cllr Lyon that the end section of the wall is his property and there is no evidence to prove otherwise. Cllr Lyon suggested that in light of this and the fact that the footpath issue does not look likely to be resolved it would be better to reduce the height of the wall instead of taking it down completely. He will obtain a quote for this ready for the Finance & Emergency meeting on 29th October so that it can be considered when setting the Precept.
3. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** were received from County Cllr Hunt and Cllr Smith for late arrival.
4. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were none.

5. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Mr Jeremy Waller was in attendance following the refusal by the District Council of the planning application for Land North of Northumbria Close. He wished to apologise for any upset and distress he may have caused by pursuing this development, as this was not his intention. He had thought that the Parish Council was in favour of the scheme and he was sorry if he had got it wrong. Cllr Parr thanked him for attending.

Patricia Green and Sandra Sharp of Camping Close have been voluntarily carrying out litter picking at the new play area on Saturday mornings and the Council wished to record their grateful thanks to them for giving up their time to do so. Cllr G Wilson will try to obtain litter picking tools and black bags for them to use. It was also mentioned that they litter pick in the High Street at the same time each week and it was raised that this should be the duty of the Contractor. It was pointed out that he is only contracted to do so twice a week on Monday and Friday and it is inevitable that litter will accumulate in between times. The Clerk was also asked to write to the District Council to find out what level of litter picking Veolia should be carrying out in the High Street and if they are meeting their responsibilities.

6. **ACCOUNTS**

The following accounts were submitted for authorisation:

Name	Service	Itemised	Total Amount	Chq No/ Method
Matta Products	Balance of invoice for safety matting at Haddenham Play Area		£10,118.20	BACS 18.09.12