# HOLCOT PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF HOLCOT PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2015 AT 7.30pm IN THE CHURCH ROOM

1. Apologies: M Wilson

Present: R Gunnett, K Buckle, R Sinclair J Fountainn, D Walker, P

Scordellis, R Hawkins, A Carter, K Winter (Clerk)

PC Mark Osborne

The declarations of Acceptance and the Compliance of the Code of Conduct were signed by members of the council in the presence of the clerk.

## 2. Election of Chairman

Councillor Gunnett was elected unopposed

Proposed: R Hawkins; seconded P Scordellis

### 3. Election of Vice Chairman

Councillor Buckle having no seconder Councillor Walker was elected vice chairman.

Proposed P Scordellis; seconded R Gunnett

## 4. Responsibilities of Councillors.

The sectors were agreed as follows:

Moulton Road – J Fountain

Back Lane & Brittens View – D Walker

Brixworth Road & Glebe Close – M Wilson

Sywell Road, Ivy Farm & 1 to 5 Sunny Bank – K Buckle

Main Street, Farm Close & Wallgarth – R Gunnett

Rectory Lane, Beelhook & Walgrave Road – P Scordellis

Poplars Lane & Winsland Court – R Sinclair

All outlying properties – R Hawkins

## Responsibilities

United Charities – R Gunnett & R Hawkins

Village Hall – D Walker & P Scordellis

Church Room - R Gunnett

Parish Liaison – R Gunnett & K Buckle

Playing Field – R Sinclair

Police Matters, Traffic & Neighbourhood Watch – K Buckle

Lights - M Wilson

Footpaths – R Gunnett

Fundraising – K Buckle

Newsletter – J Fountain

Youth matters – R Sinclair & J Fountain

Planning – R Gunnett

Web Site – D Walker

NNSUE – R Sinclair & P Scordellis

## 5. Adoption of Standing Orders

The standing orders were adopted

Proposed: R Sinclair; seconded: R Hawkins

#### Adoption of Financial Standing Orders 6.

The financial standing orders were adopted

Proposed: R Sinclair: seconded: R Hawkins

#### 7. Adoption of Code of Conduct

The code of conduct was adopted subject to clarification on the inclusion of "police authority" in the code.

Proposed: D Walker; seconded K Buckle

#### 8. Appointment of Responsible Financial Officer

Mr K Winter (Parish Clerk) was appointed RFO

Proposed: R Gunnett; seconded: D Walker

#### 9. Dates and Times of Meetings

Meetings to be on the third Monday of the month including August and

December. All meetings to start at 7.30pm

#### 10. Declarations of Interest:

None

#### 11 Police Matter

PC Osborne felt there was nothing major to report. Speed watch and HGV,s are being monitored. PC Osborne will report concerns about drug dealing and anti social behaviour.

#### 12. Minutes

The minutes were approved and signed.

Proposed R Hawkins; seconded D Walker

#### 13. Matters Arising

The response on road signs from Councillor Shepherd would be followed up.

Councillor Shepherd would be approached for grant towards work on Washbrook.

Special Constables would be put on the next agenda.

Need to follow up issue of light in Poplars Lane

The clerk was asked to write to Mrs Tanser and also to the three retiring councillors.

Councillor Hawkins would organise demonstration of the use of the new gym equipment.

Friends of Holcot will meet first and third Friday of each month.

Holcot will be included in 106 agreements.

#### 14. **Planning**

DA/2015/0310 – there were no objections to the amended plan.

## 15. New Residents

None

## 16. District Councillor's report

A brtochure on developments in the district was circulated.

## 17 Vacancy for Parish Clerk

It was agreed to advertise the vacancy of the web site.

## 18 Village Hall

Councillor Scordellis that there had been some vandalism including the switching off of the external fireman swith to the central heating..

The suggestion of dummy CCTV cameras was not supported.

It was agreed that the posts on the edge of the Village Hall garden should be removed

## 19 Web Site

Councillor Walker reported that there had been 26000 visits over the year the most popular being the Home Page, the Parish Council, the White Swan and the Village Hall.

## 20 Footpaths

Councillor Gunnett reported it was hoped for a decision on the proposed path along the mere within the next four weeks.

## 21 Correspondence

The lower quotation from Mr Warren for a dropped curb and crossover was agreed. It was also emphasised that this subsidy applies only to residents.

## 22 Annual Village Meeting

It was agreed that the AVM would be held on 19<sup>th</sup> July.

Suggestions for activities included:

Suggestions for updating the Parish Plan

Publicity for the Special Constable scheme

Presentation by Historical Society

Presence of various Holcot groups.

## Finance

Current account 14529.41 Deposit account 7993.57

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100792	Park Landscapes	612.72
100793	Ascomi	30.00
100794	Insurance	1794.87
100795	Wicksteed	5400.00
100796	Eon	834.00
100797	Washbrook	132.18
100798	Washbrook	32.04

# Proposed D Walker; seconded R Hawkins

The internal audit document was accepted and signed. The clerk was asked to produce information on regular expenditure.

- 24 Councillors' Comments Councillor Walker asked that Communications be put on the next agenda Councillor Gunnett asked if there is anything the Parish Council can do to promote the White Swan.
- The next meeting was confirmed as 15<sup>th</sup> June 2015

The meeting closed at 9.56pm