

MINUTES OF THE ONEHOUSE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
MONDAY 12 OCTOBER 2009 AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE CHURCH ROOM.

Present: Cllrs Raisey (Chairman), Cruickshanks, Turner and Corker. Cllr Taylor joined the meeting at 8.00 p.m.

In attendance: County Cllr Otton and Mrs Raisey. District Cllr Matthissen joined the meeting at 8.03 p.m.

1. **Apologies for absence** were received from Cllrs Chase and Russell-Howes.

2. **To confirm and approve the minutes of the meetings 14 September 2009.**

Folio 2380 last line was amended to read the meeting reconvened at 8.03 p.m. With this amendment the minutes were approved and signed.

3. **To receive members Declarations of Interest on agenda items.**

Cllr Raisey declared a prejudicial interest in item 8g) as Chairman of OHSMC and duly signed the interest book.

4. **Adjournment.** The meeting adjourned at 7.35 p.m.

5. **Report from County Cllr Otton.**

The next meeting of stakeholders group for the Schools Organisation Review takes place on 20 October. The Rights of Way Officer has been contacted regarding footpath repairs which he has advised will be carried out in the next 2 weeks. SCC has voted through the adoption of Suffolk Minerals Specific Sites Allocations Development Plan Document. A campaign between SCC and BBC Radio Suffolk has started to show the many ways people can get involved with their local library.

So as to allow Cllr Otton to discuss the issue, it was unanimously agreed to bring forward item 9.

9. **Highways Matters**

a) To further debate the proposed bridleway creation from Onehouse to Stowmarket and extinguishments of part of footpath 20 at Onehouse following a response from Suffolk County Council regarding our suggested compromise and take any necessary action.

Cllr Otton attended a meeting with Cathy Collins and Andrew Woodin SCC. They are sure the landowner will not agree to the diagonal route. If there is no agreement by all parties SCC will make the order and wait for it to go to a public enquiry. They will provide rail and post fencing to the paupers graves boundary but it will have to be maintained by whoever requested it i.e. Onehouse PC.

Cllrs do not think that a 4' post and rail fence is sufficient protection and are not prepared to accept the resiting if the diagonal route is not accepted. The Clerk will write to Cathy Collins advising that we will formally object to the order. *Action: the Clerk*

The Clerk read the Police report. There have been 2 reported crimes between 11 September and 10 October: 1 criminal damage to a vehicle in Forest Road and 1 criminal damage to a garden in Onehouse Road. Cllrs believe this should be Stowmarket rather than Onehouse. Speed checks have been carried out in the village and on 2 visits no vehicles were stopped.

The meeting reconvened at 7.55 p.m.

7. Planning Matters

a) To consider and make recommendation to MSDC on any applications received prior to this meeting. There were none.

b) To receive MSDC decisions on previously considered applications.

2208/09 Alteration and extensions to kitchen/dining area. Elder Cottage, Forest Road – Listed Building consent granted

c) To receive information from MSDC Enforcement Officer regarding two issues within the parish.

An enquiry has been made regarding a low partition wall on a shared driveway on Northfield Road. MSDC is looking into any breach of planning control. This could have repercussions around the estate.

Complaints have been received regarding stockcars practicing at Red Willows Business Park. The site has a long commercial history but there has been no planning permission since 1980. A Planning Contravention Notice has been served and MSDC is trying to sort things out by negotiation with the landowners.

8. Finances

To ratify the following payment

a) 09/031 £102.88 British Telecom Payment Services quarterly bill

The payment was unanimously ratified

To approve payment of the following invoices:

b) 09/032 £343.26 Mrs P Fuller salary & expenses September 2009

c) 09/033 £108.10 Suffolk County Council pension payment September 2009

d) 09/034 £248.55 HM Customs & Revenue payment July-September

e) 09/035 £171.00 Copycentre OHSMag October

Items b) – e) and i) – k) were approved and cheques issued.

f) To receive monthly financial report from the Clerk.

The balance of the Community Account at the end of September was £6501.73, this includes the second half precept. Less this month's cheques totalling £1268.56, £3500.00 transferred to the Treasurers account, adjustments for insurance of £290.10 and adverts £64.00, the corrected figure is £2087.27. The Treasurers Account stands at £23,651.94.

g) To discuss a request from OHS Management Committee for a contribution towards keeping dogs on leads signs for the playing field and take any necessary action.

Cllr Raisey left the meeting at 8.10 p.m.

The total cost for a sign at each of the 3 entrances is £37.50. It was proposed, seconded and carried that the Parish Council would purchase these for the parish.

Cllr Raisey rejoined the meeting at 8.13 p.m.

h) To receive confirmation of the completion of audit of accounts for year ended 31 March 2009.

The Annual Return has been signed off by BDO Stoy Hayward LLP with no matters reported.

i) 09/036 £155.25 BDO Stoy Hayward LLP audit of annual return year to 31/3/09

j) 09/037 £124.52 Viking Direct printer cartridges and paper

k) 09/038 £15.00 Mr R Taylor petrol for strimmer/mower in Paupers Graves

The meeting adjourned at 8.14 p.m.

6. Report from District Cllr Matthissen

An election review is underway. Bin rounds are being reorganised in conjunction with Babergh DC. The Boundary Committee appeal regarding the LGR has been to court and the results will be known in 2-3 weeks. Stowmarket High School Community project is to help plant trees in the Paupers Graves on 6 November. Stowmarket Area Action Plan MSDC does not plan to allocate the Fieldens site through the document but to let it be a special circumstances and potential contribution to any Starhouse Lane improvements be measured as an exceptional departure from policy.

The meeting reconvened at 8.20 p.m.

10. To receive correspondence/communications and to deal with any matters.

SALC AGM 9 November. Cllr Cruickshanks to attend. **SCC** activities for young people in Suffolk West problem solving session 18 November. **MSDC** Countryside Activities November/December. **BBC breathing places** National Tree Week December. **Bank of Ireland** changes to terms and conditions. **MSDC** Community Engagement questionnaire completed. **SCC** Suffolk Household Waste Recycling Centres – Glass recycling changes. **SCC** stall at SALC AGM regarding low carbon economy agendas and part night lighting and dimming. **SALC** training courses. **East of England Regional Assembly** East of England Plan > 2031 Scenarios for housing and economic growth. **Active Wellbeing** Fit Villages passed to OHSMC. **NALC** Legal Topic Notes Freedom of Information Act, Section 137 of the LGA 1972 and Meetings of Parish Meetings. **Suffolk Roadsafe** poster re drink driving. **The following items were passed to Cllrs for circulation:** Stowmarket & Mid Suffolk South Neighbourhood Watch newsletters 18 September, 2 & 9 October; HM Revenue & Customs employer bulletin September 09. **Product information:** CCF building schools for the future. Bago.

11. To receive reports

a)Report from the Clerk

Footpath repairs – the bridge on footpath 14b has an additional hand rail, chicken wire and a non slip step constructed. The Clerk will check that the handrail over the ditch of footpath 1 has been repaired.

Overgrown hedging/plants – the Clerk has still to make contact with homeowners.

b)Report from the Parish Liaison Meeting

In the absence of Cllr Chase, this was carried forward to the next meeting.

12. Questions to the Chairman

Cllr Cruickshanks asked that the PC send a sympathy card to the family of Pauline Llewellyn for the service she has given to the PC and community over many years.

13. Items for next agenda. Parish Liaison meeting report.

14. To confirm date, time and place of the next Parish Council meeting as Monday 9 November 2009 at 7.30 p.m. in the Church Room. Noted.

The meeting closed at 9.05 p.m.

Signed.....

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