

Minutes of Halling Parish Council held on 8th April 2014 at the Jubilee Hall

APR14/01

Action

Present: Sally Brady (SB), in Chair, Les Hitchcock (LH), Chris Herbert(CH), Kevyn Wightman (KW); Jim Sutherland (JS); Bob Morton(BM) George Wenham(GW), Matt Fearn (MF) Mark Joy (MJ), Alan Herbert (AH) Trudi Smith Assistant Clerk (TS) & 7 members of the public.

1. Apologies

Bill Swan

2. Disclosure of any other business

JS – 1 GP Surgery

SB – 1 Halling Association Update

TS – 1 Funding Applications

3. Declaration of Pecuniary and Prejudicial Interests

MF expressed a Prejudicial interest in White Pit and Cemex matters

4. Parishioners' Questions

1. Notices of works within the village

2. Parking Issues

3. Cemetery gravestones and dogs

4. Pot holes in service roads

5. Village PCSO

5. Matters Arising from Minutes of last meeting

Item 19. Traffic Survey – still not received from Medway Council - Assistant Clerk to Chase

It was proposed by LH and seconded by CH that the minutes were a true record of March 2014 meeting.

All agreed and the Vice Chairman duly signed them.

6. Fire Station Purchase

CH has spoken with the Council's solicitor to clarify one of the covenants of sale namely the property should be retained for community use and that the covenants in the deed are contradictory. CH requested the solicitor approach KFRS to remove the covenants. He also informed the meeting that the Overage are more beneficial to us than first thought as we will only need to pass over 8.7% of the sale price and not the 50% of the difference between the purchase and sale price.

7. White Pit

Cllr KW updated those present on a recent site visit and the possibilities of collaboration with other agencies and funding opportunities if we continue the lease from Cemex. Clarification is needed on who owns the fencing and is responsible for public liability on the site. Assistant Clerk to investigate and find out if the kilns hold historical interest.

8. Halling Marsh

KW reported on the scrapes and difficult access. She recommended the management plan be left in the office. Mr Lingham has been informed of the HPC's decision to not graze cattle this year due to the adverse weather affecting the area and a letter has been received in response. SB read out details of grazing rights and other marsh issues were discussed. It was agreed that the proposal from previous meeting to remain the same for this year.

LH to check if the remaining lock belongs to HPC or Mr Lingham.

9. Bishop's Palace

SB has spoken to Halling Association and advised KW to approach them with funding of plants for the site.

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LH

KW

10. **Annual Parish Meeting**

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TS gave update of replies and confirmed the APM on 26th April at the Jubilee Hall will be well attended. It was proposed by SB, seconded by JR and all in favour that flyers be delivered to everyone informing them of the meeting and for Paula Wilkins-Smith to be approached to deliver them at a cost no more than £60.

TS

11. **Quiz Night**

MJ updated those present that the quiz night will proceed at the Jubilee Hall on 26th April and asked if the details could also go on the flyer. Assistant Clerk to add.

TS

12. **FW14**

Trudi to speak to Sam Walsh with dates for first committee meeting – date of Funday tba

TS

13. **WW1 Commemorations**

Thoughts expressed that the commemorations should not be incorporated with the Funday due to time limitations and planned to coincide with Remembrance Day and the poppy collections.

Trudi to approach WI, Halara and the School for suggestions on how the village wish to mark the occasion.

JR informed the council that the Halling Choir is already on board.

TS

14. **Community Rail Partnership**

BM was unwell and unable to make the meeting but has been in contact with them. Nothing to report at this meeting.

15. **KALC Local Community Committee & Rural Liaison Group - Vacancy**

JR volunteered to be the Council representative.

16. **KALC membership Renewal 2014/15**

Renewal is a same cost as last year. SB proposed to renew our membership, seconded by BM and all in favour.

17. **Receipts**

Rural Liaison Grant £6,991.09

Medway Council precept £40,680

StreetCops Trust donation £100

18. **Payments**

Creditor	Net Amount	VAT	Amount Paid	Date Paid	Goods/Service supplied	Breakdown
Tom Bailey	65.00		65.00	06-Mar-14	Work on Upper Rec	EST
Jubilee Hall Management Ctte	24.00		24.00	06-Mar-14	Hire of JH 14/01/14 11/02/14	G/A
Clive Stanley	18.00		18.00	06-Mar-14	Web services for February 2014	G/A
Halling Community Centre	16.00		16.00	06-Mar-14	Hire of Pilgrims Rest 19/02/14	G/A
Halling Community Centre	50.00		50.00	06-Mar-14	Refund re HV advert mistake	G/A
Simon M Scott	300.00		300.00	13-Mar-14	Deposit on Conveyance	G/A
Park Leisure Ltd	3,625.00	725.00	4,350.00	14-Mar-14	Deposit on play equipment order	CAP
BT Payment Services Ltd	156.85	31.37	188.22	14-Mar-14	Phone and broadband	G/A
Cash to Paula	60.00		60.00	14-Mar-14	Delivery of HV	HV
Cash	140.00		140.00	14-Mar-14	Petty cash	G/A
Richard Dunn	62.00		62.00	20-Mar-14	Work on Lower Rec	EST
Ben Cook	90.00		90.00	20-Mar-14	Work on Lower Rec	EST
Craigdene Ltd	160.00	32.00	192.00	20-Mar-14	Annual inspection of play areas	EST
Total Property	94.00		94.00	20-Mar-14	Trees in Rec	EST
Tom Bailey	78.00		78.00	27-Mar-14	Work on Upper Rec	EST
Community Centre	250.00		250.00	01-Feb-14	Office Rent	G/A
MHS Homes	29.54	5.91	35.45	01-Mar-14	Garage rent	EST
Clive Stanley	102.00		102.00	01-Apr-14	Web fees for March 2014	G/A

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TOTAL

5,320.39	794.28	6,114.67
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CH informed the meeting that there was £130,147 in the bank which includes a balance of £30K remaining from 2013/14 funds.

Proposed by LH, seconded by MJ, all in favour of the payments being agreed except KW who was against payment for spraying in the White Pit which is an SSSI site and should not be sprayed. TS to inform village gardener.

TS

19. A.O.B

JS raised the issues surrounding the doctor's surgery and application for pharmacy licence. The licence has been granted to the Cuxton PO but has gone to appeal. JS asked if this could be raised as an agenda item at the next meeting and invite a representative from the Surgery to attend.

TS

SB gave those present an update of the last Halling Association meeting and explained there were still funds available from them. It was noted that the Halling Weather man would be a suitable candidate to request funding as he used private funds to serve the village and that TS was asked to contact him.

TS

TS informed the meeting that work had started on the upper rec as all funds were in. That the office had received the quote from Fawns in respect of the lower rec wooden trail and an application had been sent to RLG for further funding for refurbishment of existing play. As money had already been agreed for the installation of the wooden trail, it was decided to go ahead as soon as possible.

20. Dates of upcoming Meetings of the Parish Council

Annual Parish Meeting – 26th April 14 Jubilee Hall - 12pm

HPC meeting – 7 May 14 Community Centre – 7.30pm

Meeting finished 8.35pm