

Helpston Parish Council: JULY 2016 Minutes

Meeting held in the John Clare School on Monday 4th July 2016

Present: Cllrs R Morton, J Mead, A Driver, A Bradley, D Dykes; the clerk S Smith; City Cllr D Over and three members of the public.

Actions/actionees shown in ***bold italicised type***.

- 070/16-17 **1. Apologies:** Cllrs. J Dobson, G Jolly, L Newitt and T Thompson
- 071/16-17 **2. Declarations of interest:** None
- 072/16-17 **3. Public Participation:**
3.1 Don Pollard re. verge cutting in Broadwheel Road.
- 073/16-17 **4. Minutes of 6th June 2016 meeting:** Agreed and signed.
- 074/16-17 **5. Matters Arising as Actions from June meeting:**
5.1 Village Inspection: Martin Benn will join us for this in September. Potholes noted on B1443 (red tarmac area). **Action: SS**
5.2 Tree Officer will be available to inspect Churchyard. **Action: SS**
5.3 Preliminary Draft Local Plan: Parish Council comments letter referring to huge percentage increases in housing was read out. Draft Plan due for consultation in the autumn.
5.4 Section 106 and 137 Grants: City reviewing the Section 106 claims. Clerk to pay all the authorised and agreed grants on demand. **Action: SS**
5.5 Village Welcome Pack: In progress.
5.6 Councillor Training courses: Payment of up to £189 was authorised.
5.7 Exeter Arms: Clerk to chase Barry Sheerman for a response. **Action: SS**
5.8 Under-5's play equipment: Clerk had written to Paul Robertson asking for City to indicate their stance on this issue. No response to date.
- 075/16-17 **6. Reports from Councillors and Clerk:**
6.1 Clerk gave a resume of his Tribune article.
6.2 City Cllr Over spoke of the local devolution plan (Peterborough and Cambridgeshire and possibly Norfolk and Suffolk) forming a devolved authority.
- 076/16-17 **7. Planning – City Council decisions:**
7.1 16/00841/HHFUL at 14 Maxey Road: refused.
7.2 16/00679/FUL re. Land adjacent to 121 West Street: refused.
- 077/16-17 **8. Planning – Helpston Parish Council comments:**
8.1 16/01023/LBC Windows and doors at 8 West Street: No objections.
- 078/16-17 **9. Finance:**
9.1 Payments for approval: Clerk (4/12 & 5/12 salary), Clerk (4/12 & 5/12 expenses), HMRC (4/12 & 5/12 PAYE), Groundsman (4/12 & 5/12 fees), John Clare Society (Membership...renewal agreed by resolution in the meeting), M Sharpin (Churchyard wall/arch repairs), Alwalton Parish Council (CPALC training course fees), John Clare School (room hire), Friends of JC School (grant), Helpston Scouts (grant), Helpston Tennis Club (grant), Gala Committee (grant), and expected accounts from PKF (audit), Community Heartbeat (defibrillator), Smith of Derby (clock)
9.2 The Clerk presented the Q1 financial statement.

