

## **MINUTES OF HUNTINGTON PARISH COUNCIL**

Meeting held on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2008 at 7.30 p.m. in  
Huntington Village Hall

Councillors present: Chair – Cllr. N. Dodd,  
Cllrs. C. Buckler, R. Edwards, D. McQuay, D. Moore, J. Moore, L. Turner,  
C. Walker,

### **1. Apologies for Absence**

Cllrs., M. Williams will be joining the meeting later

### **2. Public Speaking time**

Sgt. Julia Bryant of Cheshire Police attended the meeting to report on incidents reported in the village & discuss latest matters. She reported 15 occurrences including 1 RTC on Aldford Road, eggs being thrown at properties, 3 domestic incidents, flour poured over cars between 5/6<sup>th</sup> December, 1 burglary. A new PCSO, Philippa Emmonds, has started patrolling the village and introducing herself to residents. It was suggested she attend a future Parish Council meeting & Sgt. Bryant said she will ask her. Some residents attended the meeting to voice their concerns about the planning application for an Indian takeaway at 106 Chester Road (the old butchers shop). Opening hours would be 5-11p.m. 7days a week. Concerns included parking which is already a problem in the area, litter and whether it would generate more youths hanging around the area. They requested support from the Parish Council. Cllr. Buckler felt objections from the Parish Council may have little sway but Cllr. Edwards said if the Parish Council objected it has to go before planning board.

**3. Declarations of interest** - Cllr. Walker on Walker's Nurseries, Cllr Turner on the planning application for 3 Riversmead

**4. Minutes of previous meeting** – agreed.

**5. Matters Arising** - The Clerk has had a reply from the Land Registry requiring further information about registering the high bank on Chester Road. Cllr. Dodd has asked Developers, CEG if they want to use the village website to communicate ideas & proposals for Saighton Camp. The Clerk has spoken to Helena Crawford of Highways about the state of the footpaths in Butterbache Road. Ms Crawford has volunteered to come out in April & discuss schemes for funding for 2009/10.  
Obstructed Public Footpath, Walkers Nurseries – revisit in a couple of months to check it's been officially closed.

**6. Village Web Site** – Successfully up & running. We need to see if anyone wants to use it as an information site. Cllr. Dodd asked if anyone had any contributions to the newsletter as it needs to be printed & distributed. Information on the history of the village needs to be collected to be put on the website. Suggestions on who would know e.g. the WI were made.

**6(a)** Quality Status – Need to look at costs that would be involved. Also Local Government Review will have implications as some government may be devolved down to Parish Councils.

**7. Ownership of high bank on Chester Road** – discussed above.

**8. Delegates Reports** - None

**9. City Council Minutes** – November & January minutes received – passed to Cllr. D. Moore.

**10. Planning Matters**

**Applications**

APP07/01853/COU – 102 Chester Road - Change of use from A1 to A5 - withdrawn

APP 07/02196/ful – 14 Bachefield Avenue – Single storey rear conservatory (retrospective application)

APP 07/02230/COU – 9 & 11 Trefoil Close – Return use to two dwellings

APP 07/02280/ful – 3 Riversmead – New roof to conservatory & continuation of pp96/00012/ful extensions. Concerns were expressed re the window overlooking next door.

APP 07/02367/COU – 106 Chester Road – Change of use to Indian takeaway (A3). The same comments to be submitted as had been for previous application 07/01853/cou for 102 Chester Road.

**Permissions Granted:**

APP 07/01913/ful – 16 Butterbache Road– Single storey rear extension

APP07/01906/ful – 2 Chester Road - Demolition of single storey rear extension & construction of new single storey extension

APP07/02076/ful – 15 Sorrel Close – 2 storey side extension

APP 07/02196/ful – 14 Bachefield Avenue – Single storey rear conservatory (retrospective application)

**Refusals:** APP 07/02196/ful – 14 Bachefield Avenue – Single storey rear conservatory (retrospective application) – permission subsequently granted.

**11. Accounts for Payment** – Village website, Clerks salary & expenses, village lengthsman duties, new Christmas tree lights, grass-cutting.

**12. Highways & Lighting Issues** - light at end of footpath between B/bache Road & Chester Road is out.

**13. Other Business** – Clerk to obtain estimates (3) for new surface. Put on agenda for next meeting.

Cllr. Dodd said a parishioner had raised the possibility of having an illuminated speed sign indicator on Chester Road. The Clerk had contacted Highways & been informed that they are only fitted in 30mph speed limits. A letter has been received from Huntington Seniors requesting a grant – to be put on the next agenda.

Cllr. Williams joined meeting at 9.00p.m.

Cllr. Turner proposed a vote of thanks to Cllrs. Williams and Dodd & their helpers for erecting the Christmas tree.

Cllr. Buckler raised the problem of Dee Valley Water who have been digging up Chester Road at unsociable hours. Clerk to send a letter to them complaining about noise & nuisance at night.

Clerk to send a letter to Highways re 30mph speed sign missing at entrance to Gorse Way from Chester Road.

S.106 monies – Cllr. Williams proposed a working group be set up to come up with ideas of projects the money might be used for in the village. Agenda item for next meeting.

Clerk to send a letter of complaint to the City Council re dog bins in Caldry Valley not being emptied regularly.

Notification had been received that bus times are being changed w/c 20<sup>th</sup> January. They are going 10mins earlier at 8.00 & 8.20pm.

As Cllr. Jones has not attended any meetings for 6 months a vacancy will be declared. Clerk to set the necessary actions in motion.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.25p.m.

The next meeting will take place on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2008 at 7.30p.m.