

MINUTES OF HUNTINGTON PARISH COUNCIL
Meeting held on Monday 17th March 2008 at 7.30 p.m. in
Huntington Village Hall

Councillors present: Chair – M. Williams
Cls. N. Dodd, C. Buckler, L. Turner, C. Walker, D. McQuay,
A. Wilcox, D. Moore, J. Moore

1. Apologies for Absence - none

2. Public Speaking time

A presentation was given by two representatives from Living Magazine which they intend to start publishing monthly. There may be opportunities to publish parish matters. Discussion to take place under AOB.

3. Declarations of interest - Cllr. Wilcox declared a personal interest on Parish Website.

4. Minutes of previous meeting – The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 18th February 2008 were agreed & signed

5. Matters Arising

08/03/5/1 - The bollard erected by Highways on the verge adjacent to 140 Chester Road is not deterring vehicles from driving over the footpath to reach houses in 'Sergeant's Row'.

Resolved: Clerk to write to Highways informing them & requesting further bollards which the Parish Council may contribute to.

08/03/05/2 - Clerk has sent letter to Highways re 30mph sign at entrance to Gorse Way from Chester Road & is awaiting a response - ongoing

08/03/05/3 - Photo required of 40mph illuminated warning to be taken as Cheshire Highways has advised that these signs are only available in 30mph zones – ongoing.

08/03/05/4 - Water leak – Caldy Valley Road/Gorse Way.
Resolved: Clerk to report to Dee Valley Water.

08/03/05/5 - The numbering system for the Parish minutes was discussed and the system – e.g. year/month/agenda no./ sub number 1, 2 etc. was agreed on.
‘Resolved’ to be used & in bold for agreed actions. Also more line spacing between items.

6. Village Web Site

There have been more ‘hits’ to site since publication of the web address in the Parish newsletter.

7. Open Spaces Committee

Cllr. Dodd gave an overview of the meeting which had preceded the Parish Council meeting & what the top 5 suggestions had been and his report was noted.

8. Maintenance Cutting Quotes

08/03/08/1 - The Rich Bros quote was accepted for the year 2008/09

08/03/08/2 - The Shelley Seeds quote was accepted for the village lengthsman duties.

08/03/08/3 - The Clerk had contacted a firm for a quote to repair the surface of the play area on the Jubilee Field but was still awaiting their response.

Resolved: That delegated power to allow repairs to proceed prior to next meeting if possible.

9. Requests for use of Football Pitch

08/03/09/1 - Hoole Hornets have requested permission to use the football pitch on the Jubilee Field. Vicars Cross Dynamos also wish to retain use although their use has been sporadic during the last season.

Resolved: To allow free use for 12 months to Hoole Hornets & also allow Vicars Cross Dynamos to continue to use. Both teams are to agree between themselves the timetables for their respective matches and to maintain the pitch in good order with marking-out, clearance of debris etc. The Parish council will maintain grass cutting for the area. A further review will take place in a year.

10. Delegates Reports - None

11. City Council Minutes – passed to Cllr. D Moore.

12. Planning Matters

Applications

APP08/00363/TPO – 36 Blackthorn Close – Hard pruning of 1 oak tree

Permissions Granted:

APP07/02280/ful – 3 Riversmead – New roof to conservatory & continuation of pp96/00012/ful extensions – amended application

APP08/00044/ful – The Bungalow, Aldford Road - Amendments to replacement dwelling including change of roof & elevations, erection of detached garage & proposed new vehicular access

APP07/01135/ful – Huntington Hall Farm, Aldford Road – New farmhouse & conversion of existing dwelling into two workers houses

APP08/00130/ful – 32 Lucerne Close – Rear PVCU conservatory

Refusals: None at time of publication

13. Accounts for Payment

Cheshire Footpath Society.

14. Highways & Lighting Issues

08/03/14/01 - Application to Land Registry to take over High Bank, Chester Road – ongoing

15. Correspondence

No comments

16. Other Business

08/03/16/1 - Grass overgrowing pavement at bottom of slope where high bank meets lower footpath on Chester Road and branches & thorns left on footpath after cutting.

Resolved: Letter to Highways & Waterworks

08/03/16/2 - Riversmead to no. 80 Butterbache Road - footpath in bad condition.

Resolved: Contact Highways again to inspect it.

Items for next Agenda:

Dog bins – costings

2 x Benches for village green – costings

08/03/16/3 - Living magazine.

Resolved: Clerk to write & ask if they would consider giving the first session for free or what the prices would be.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.00p.m.

The next meeting will take place on Monday 21st April 2008 at 7.00p.m. to include the Annual Assembly.