



**MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING OF HORMEAD PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN HORMEAD VILLAGE HALL ON THURSDAY 13 MAY 2010 COMMENCING AT 7.20 PM**

Present: John Haselden (JNH) (Chair) John D Kilby (JDK)  
 Charlotte Benson (CB) Jackie King (JK)  
 David Ginn (DG) Peter Pryor (PP)  
 Robert E Denham (RED) County Councillor Pitman

Officer present: Caroline Jones (Clerk)

Also present: One Parishioner

**1106. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

District Councillor Cheswright, PCSO Amanda Higham, Reverend Carol Kimberley

**1107. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None.

**1108. MINUTES OF MEETINGS**

The minutes of the public meeting held on 14 January 2010 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

The minutes of the public meeting held on 4 March 2010 were discussed. It was agreed to minute "Cllr Kilby wished it to be noted of the use of error in the minutes was incorrect and should read oversight" also "Cllr Kilby disagrees with the amendments made to 1096 regarding personal attacks in the minutes of 4 March". The minutes were approved and signed by the Chairman.

The minutes of the planning meeting held on 8 April 2010 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

**1109. PLANNING**

Hare Street – 3 Stores Cottages and 3 Vine Cottages – 3/10/0737/FP - Support  
 Great Hormead – Rosebank, Willow Close – 3/10/0737/FP – Support  
 Little Hormead - Little Hormeadbury Farm – 3/10/0763/FP – No comments

**1110. FINANCE**

The finance report for April was received  
 The Annual Return was received and approved. The Statement for Audit Commission signed by the Chairman and Clerk.

**1111. VILLAGE SIGNS**

The Chairman reported that further clarity was needed on prices received from Highways Dept of £7,000 for two road signs and £1,322 for two posts and warning signs on B1368 for the children's play area. It was agreed that Cllr Haselden would work with Cllr Benson to determine prices.

**1112. HIGHWAYS**

The increase of HGVs through the villages was discussed and a letter from Barkway Parish Council circulated, together with a draft letter from Hormead Council to Hertfordshire County Council. Please forward any further comments to the Clerk for inclusion. Village school 'walk to school policy' to be included in a letter to Herts CC.

Forthcoming closure of the B1368 was discussed – signs have been put up regarding this.

**1113. POLICE**

Hertfordshire Policing Plan and Safer East Hertfordshire Leaflets were received.



1114. **CLERK**

Mrs Kilby was thanked for all her work for the Council and Mrs Jones was welcomed as the new Clerk.

1115. **MEADS**

**License :** The Licence is with Breeze and Wyles for their legal assistance. Space will be provided for variables to be included in the document.

**Accident :** Councillors were informed of an alleged accident at the Meads which is with the Council's Insurers.

**Pavilion :** Quotation has been received for repair and replacement of any broken patches, reseal, painting of the exterior/ staining of wood soffits on north and south fascias for £1200. Additional staining of porch is a further £150. Approved by Councillors.

**Meads Hiring Schedule :** Pricing Schedule was agreed and will be added to the Website. Organisations will be requested to call for pricing and these will be priced on application.

**Dog Waste :** East Herts DC informed the Clerk that one Dog Waste Bin would be provided at the top of the footpath from Faylands going down to the Meads, next to the overflow Hares car park. This would enable free emptying. Awaiting Highways permission and return of ground searches.

**Riverbank Landscaping :** Cllr Kilby reported work needs to be done on the river bank, taking out some trees/hawthorns, clear the bank, replacing the fence. Cllr Kilby will provide prices and list of work to be carried out for approval.

1116. **COUNCILLOR REPORTS**

**School :** Cllr King reported that the school numbers were up again and due to rise in September. The Heating was still a major issue. Refurbishment of the library was complete.

**Police :** Cllr Ginn reported that rural theft was on the increase. A card scamming incident had occurred at the Co-op Cash Machine on 12 May.

**Village Hall :** Cllr Kilby reported that the letter of deferment had been received and the Village Hall Committee were working to deal with the requests made.

**Web :** nothing to report

**Chairman's Report :** to be reported in the next meeting which follows this meeting.

**P3** to be included in future meetings – Parish Pathways Partnership.

1117. **Date of Next Meeting**

The next planning meeting is scheduled for Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> June at the Meads Pavilion at 7.30pm – this will go ahead as a Planning Application has been received from Highfields Kennels – Cllr Kilby took the plans

The next Parish Council Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, 1<sup>st</sup> July at 8pm at the Village Hall.

1118. There being no questions, the meeting was closed at 8.20pm.

**Signed** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date** \_\_\_\_\_