



**MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING OF HORMEAD PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT THE VILLAGE HALL ON THURSDAY 4 NOVEMBER 2010 COMMENCING AT 8.00 PM**

Present: John Haselden (JNH) (Chair) Charlotte Benson (CB)  
 Robert Denham (RED) David E Ginn (DEG)  
 John D Kilby (JDK) Peter Pryor (PP)

Officer present: Caroline Jones (Clerk)

**45. Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received from Cllr Jackie King (JK), Rev Carol Kimberley and PCSO Amanda Higham and Cllr Cheswright.

**46. Declarations of Interest**

David Ginn and John Kilby declared a personal interest on any matters arising concerning the Village Hall.

**47. Minutes of meeting**

The minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 2 September 2010 were before the meeting and signed as a true record.

The Chairman proposed the minutes be signed For: CB, RED, JDK, PP  
 Voted against: DEG

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**RESOLVED: that the Minutes are a true record and the Chairman was authorised to sign them**

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The minutes of the Extra Ordinary meeting held on 21 September 2010 were before the meeting and signed as a true record.

The Chairman proposed the minutes be signed For: CB, RED, JDK, PP  
 Abstained: DEG

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**RESOLVED: that the Minutes are a true record and the Chairman was authorised to sign them**

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The meeting of the Planning Meeting held on 20 October were before the meeting and signed as a true record, one typing error was amended and countersigned.

The Chairman proposed the minutes be signed For: 6

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**RESOLVED: that the Minutes are a true record and the Chairman was authorised to sign them**

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**48. Matters Arising**

A discussion followed on matters arising. RED asked for confirmation of the legality of the meetings. JNH confirmed that HAPTC had confirmed that the meetings were legal and that the Clerk was now legally employed.

**49. Highways** No items

**50. Planning** Information on current status and decisions on new planning applications:

PROPERTY	DETAILS	COMMENT / CURRENT POSITION
<b>Ref: 3/10/1611/FP</b> Little Hormeadbury Farm, The Street, Little Hormead SG9 0LS	Part two storey and part single storey side extensions	No comments made – await EHDC decision
<b>Ref: 3/10/1525/FP</b> Little Hormeadbury Farm, The Street, Little Hormead SG9 0LS	Detached garden shed 1st floor side Extension and front porch. Insertion of front and rear dormer windows, 2 roof lights, rear chimney	Permission Granted
<b>Ref: 3/10/1204/FP</b> Church End Cottage, Horseshoe	Demolition of existing garage/studio and construction of a garage + studio with	Permission was refused



PROPERTY	DETAILS	COMMENT / CURRENT POSITION
Lane, Great Hormead SG9 0NL	rooms in the roof space.	by EHDC 1.9.10
<b>Ref: 3/10/0373/FP</b> Rosebank, Great Hormead SG9 0NN	Two storey side extension and single garage to replace existing garage	Refused and appeal dismissed
<b>Ref: 3/10/1685/FP</b> Heatherdown, Hare Street SG9 0AE	Removal of condition of planning Permission Re: Layston House dependants	Await EHDC decision
<b>Ref: 3/10/1747/FP</b> Great Hormead Bury, Great Hormead SG9 0NH	2 utility cabinets on concrete plinths	Due 11.11.10 : following a proposal, second and unanimous vote it was agreed Council would approve with concern to the siting of cabinets close to the proximity of the boundary which will be seen by neighbours
<b>Ref: 3/10/1492/FP</b> Judds, Conduit Lane, Great Hormead SG9 0NT	Rear extension and part barn conversion	Due 11.11.10 JNH proposed and a unanimous vote followed to approve plans
<b>Ref: 3/10/1835/FP</b> Rowan Tree Cottage, 1 Park View Cottages, The Street, Little Hormead	Single Storey Front and Rear Extension	JNH proposed and a unanimous vote followed to approve plans

**51. Finance**

Budget setting for 2011-12 was discussed. It was agreed that Janitor items should be listed separately, together with Play Space Repairs and Contingency. Elections budget costs should be itemised at £1,000. After some discussion, it was agreed that the budget for next year should remain the same. A working party was proposed by DEG and a unanimous vote to;

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**RESOLVED: that a Budget Setting Working Party – JNH, DEG, JDK and the Clerk would prepare the Budget figures**

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DEG informed Council that bonuses may be awarded to EHDC if Precepts remain static for 2011.

Precept should remain the same for 2011-2012 - £15,000 – proposed by JNH and carried by a unanimous vote.

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**RESOLVED: that the Precept for 2011-12 will be £15,000**

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**52. School – Millennium Gardens**

A mail had been received into the Council with regards to the Millennium Gardens with regards to the Parish Council's tenure-ship of the Gardens. Although the offer was given to put the arrangement into a formal document with regards to maintaining the land, the Gardens are not currently being used or maintained. Therefore the Parish Council have thanked the landowners and decided that the land should reverted back to them.

**53. Correspondence Received**

Information was available on correspondence received :

- 53.1. EHDC Traffic and Transport Data Report
- 53.2. Stop Stansted Expansion Community Calendar & Xmas Cards Order Form
- 53.3. Letter from Mr and Mrs R Stride re: Village Hall developments
- 53.4. Letter from Allianz re: local council / responsibility for play area
- 53.5. Quotations from Park Leisure and Record RSS for Play Ground repairs
- 53.6. Community Grant from EHDC
- 53.7. Herts CC – Local Transport Plan Questionnaire – completed & returned
- 53.8. Herts CC – Library reductions of service received 26.10.10 and mailed to Cllrs
- 53.9. BT – poster to be displayed in Little Hormead and Great Hormead phone boxes
- 53.10. Citizens Advice Bureau – re: closure of Nationwide Branch in Buntingford



53.11. Breeze & Wyles re: progress of licence

**54. Correspondence Sent**

- 54.1 Letter sent to Veolia re: easement on Meads – deed information
- 54.2 Mail to Carer re: things to do in Great Hormead area
- 54.3. Mail from Elizabeth Pickup re: Veolia Works carried out – information supplied
- 54.4. Letter to Richard Kellett re: dog bins – a discussion followed regarding private purchase of a dog bin in Hare Street. Clerk to provide costings to the Council for one or two to be purchased.

**55. Meetings for 2011**

55.1. The meeting dates were proposed to be accepted by JNH

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**RESOLVED: that the Meeting Dates be set for 2011**

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**56. Phone Boxes**

- 56.1. Payment has been made to BT re: rent for advance payment of the phone box, Hare Street, the Clerk requested that BT clean and repaint the Box
- 56.2. It was decided that quotations to improve the BT Phone Boxes were too expensive. It was agreed that paint be purchased and they be painted, JNH proposed the £100 spend to obtain paint and a unanimous vote;

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**RESOLVED: £100 paint to be purchased for the Telephone Boxes**

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**57. Meads**

57.1. Play Space repairs of up to £2,500 were discussed, following a proposal and unanimous vote it was;

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**RESOLVED: that the Council should spend up to £2,500 on repairs from the £4,000 Contingency**

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57.2. A proposal to arrange the Riverbank Landscaping – first section cost of £600 was proposed, seconded and a unanimous vote;

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**RESOLVED: that the works should commence on the Riverbank Landscaping**

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57.3. A discussion on the Terms and Conditions for User Groups of the Meads took place, together with costings and Schedules provided to the Council. This will be revisited at the next Parish Council Meeting with a view to put in place new Licences to run from June 2011-June 2012, and be renewed annually.

57.4. Sawbridgeworth Cricket Club are interested in playing their 3<sup>rd</sup> team league games at the Meads for 2011. CB commented that the Meads should not be overused and be available to the community for their use during evenings and weekends. DG proposed that Sawbridgeworth Cricket Club should not be invited to play their league for 2011;

Voting: DG proposed, CB seconded In Favour : 2 (DG, CB) Against: 3 (RD, JNH, JDK) Abstained: 1 (PP)

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**Proposal not carried**

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JNH proposed to accept Sawbridgeworth to play their league at the Meads in 2011

Voting: JNH proposed, JDK seconded In Favour: 2 Against: 2 (DG, CB) Abstained: 2 (RED, PP)

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**Proposal carried, Chairman taking casting vote**

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57.5. Rubbish collection missed service has been problematic and Steven Ruff to trial taking all rubbish away. The clerk will report back to the Council.

57.6. Mole and Rabbit control on the Meads will be provided by Mr Jarmin at a shared cost.

57.7. No Grounds Maintenance Tenders have been received, the clerk reported one call of interest.

57.8. Clerk to arrange an electrician to ascertain if a hand dryer can be provided in the men's toilet



57.9. Vote to provide new fencing around the Cricket Crease cost: £119.71

**RESOLVED : Clerk to order fencing** For: Unanimous

57.10. Loam, feed and Fertilizer of the Cricket Club costs to be met by the Parish Council: £155.14

**RESOLVED : Clerk to arrange payment** For: Unanimous

57.11. Quotations to be obtained for the removal of the dead Ash and Willow Trees behind the Pavilion, budget set under at £1,500

57.12. Agreed that stickers for picking up after your dog to be displayed at the Meads

57.13. A discussion on the damage to the Meads car park regarding finding a way to allow access to the car park for parking but stopping any vehicular access onto the field. It was agreed that by providing a new 12 ft gate and by remodelling the bank it could be achieved. CB to investigate. JH proposed to carry out remedial works to block vehicles getting onto the field, seconded by CB and unanimously voted;

**RESOLVED: that a gate and remedial works be undertaken at the Meads**

**58. Councillors Reports**

58.1. School – no report

58.2. Police – DG gave information on speed control checks in Hadham Road, Standon. Hare Coursing was problematic. One Land Rover Discovery theft from The Pelhams mid afternoon had occurred.

58.3. Village Hall – nothing to report.

58.4. Web – nothing to report

58.5. P3 – A meeting had been held locally with Colin Hambrook to consider the local path conditions. The byway no. 008 has been problematic to access. The definitive line was ploughed and not reinstated due to bad weather. It has now been reinstated but is barely passable. A separate meeting is set for Monday 8 November with Derek Turner (Countryside Management), Colin Hambrook (Countryside Access Officer) and a number of Parish Representatives.

58.6. Chairman’s report – nothing to report.

**59. Date of next meeting**

The next planning meeting is scheduled for 7.30pm on Thursday, 2<sup>nd</sup> December at the Pavilion.

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 10.10pm.

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

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