**Minutes of Meeting of the Parish Council held**

**at The Christie Hall**

**on Thursday 7th September 2023**

**for the purpose of transacting the business detailed below.**

**Present:** Councillor Beuttell, Councillor Price, Councillor Riddington, Councillor Turner, Councillor Engel, Councillor Wright

**Apologies:** Councillor Bradshaw, C Newman (Clerk)

6 members of the public were present.

| 1 | **Opening of meeting -** Cllr Beuttell welcomed everyone to the meeting. |
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| 2 | Apologies for Absence – there were apologies from Councillor Bradshaw and C Newman Clerk |
| 3 | Declaration of Interest in Business to be Transacted – to receive declarations of interest – person and/or prejudicial and the nature of those interests relating to items on the agenda – none declared. |
| 4 | Public Forum – to allow any member of the public to address the council. Time limited to 10 minutes: |
| 4.1 | There were complaints about the number of cars visiting The Haycock who park vehicles in the street rather than the car park – Councillor Beuttel to write the Haycock. |
| 4.2 | There are still no white line stopping people parking across driveways, Councillor Beuttel to discuss with Highways when they visit. |
| 4.3 | The electric box on Church Lane at the end of the slip road off the A1 into Stibbington was destroyed again by an accident, Councillor Engel provided photographs and a suggestion that the slip road is marked with red paint and a 30 mph limit sign like they have at Chesterton. |
| 5 | Minutes of Previous Meeting:  Minutes of previous meeting were approved and signed. |
| 5.1 | Matters Arising from Previous minutes  To follow up on notice board and bench in ongoing, the existing bench needs to be removed first. Action: Councillor Beuttel  Councillor Engel visited to the Stibbington resident with overgrown plants blocking the highway causing it to be dangerous for pedestrians Action: it was agreed that Councillor Beuttel would arrange for this to be cut back.  Action: Councillor Beuttel to distribute more signs regarding water permits with Stibbington.  Councillor Turner to follow up on the letter received from a resident at previous meeting. Action: Councillor Turner  Following discussion regarding the proposed playground in Stibbington it was decided that is not viable once the costs are considered. Action: Councillor Beuttel to respond to resident who proposed it. |
| 6 | To authorise the Following Orders for Payment: |
| 6.1 | Charlotte Newman – Clerks time etc. £170.40 was approved. |
| 6.2 | Christie hall costs were £68 and approved. |
| 6.3 | Zurich Insurance £478.54 was approved. |
| 6.4 | Replacement of the lighting pole and reconnection of the supply were approved – application for these to be reimbursed by insurance currently in process |
| 6.4 | HDC costs for emptying bins and cutting grass for £1,800 over 6 months were approved. |
| 7 | **Planning Applications (New):** |
| 7.1 | 23/01338/CLED – the meeting was unanimously against granting this application. |
| 7.2 | 23/01316/HHFUL – it is believed that archaeological investigation will be necessary before any application is granted as previous residents in this area have been required to have them due to roman remains being in the vicinity. |
| 8 | **Correspondence from Residents:** |
| 8.1 | There were none. |
| 9 | General Correspondence: |
| 9.1 | HDC Electric Vehicle Pilot – it was suggested that the best area for this would be near the Defib phone box by the Haycock Car Park entrance. |
| 9.2 | Insurance renewal was approved. |

| 10 | Questions from Councillors: |
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| 10.1 | Now the yellow lines are almost completed illegally parked vehicles can be reported to the Police, a notice will go to Living Villages regarding this. NVR will be able to apply for exemptions to the restrictions for their Santa Express Experience days.. |
| 10.2 | It was suggested that padlocks are put on the two entrances to the field behind Christie Hall to prevent travellers moving in. Councillor Beuttel to discuss with Councillor Bradshaw. |
| 10.3 | There will be a meeting held to update on the the Wansford Bridge closure on 27th September – this would be a good opportunity to suggest traffic control systems to prevent oversized vehicles using the bridge – Councillor Beuttel to attend the meeting are report back. |
| 11 | Date of Next Meeting:  Councillor Beuttell thanked everyone for attending – the next meeting is scheduled for Thursday 2nd November 2023 in the Christie Hall commencing at 7:00 p.m. |
|  | The meeting closed at 7.50 pm |