

## **Minutes of Haswell Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2015 at 7pm in the Hazelwell Centre Haswell**

### **Present.**

Councillor Mr A. Liversidge (Presiding), and Councillors D. Liversidge, N Mills, J Hall, F.Long, C. Chiverton  
E Huntington County Councillors  
In Attendance - T. Bell (Clerk), 3 members of the public

### **2. Apologies.**

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr P Brookes, Cllr L. Atkinson, and the Police

### **3. Code of Conduct.**

Members were reminded prior to the start of the meeting of the need to disclose any interests, prejudicial or personal, in accordance with the Code of Conduct.

### **4. Minutes of the Meeting held Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2015**

#### **RESOLVED**

- (i) that the Minutes of this meeting, a copy of which had been previously printed and circulated to each Member, be approved and signed as a correct record by the Chair.

### **5. Police Briefing**

No police in attendance due to other commitments however the briefing was supplied.  
Appendix A

### **6. Warden Update**

There was no attendance at the meeting.

### **7. Public Participation**

Mr Cairns expressed his thanks and praised the work of Paul Levitt the Groundsman who keeps the village in excellent condition. Cllr Huntingdon stated that he could be considered for a Councillors Award for good work.

### **8. Clerks report / correspondence**

The Clerk reported that the following actions had been completed since the previous meeting:

- All reports have been made to the appropriate departments
- The request to start developing a Neighbourhood plan is continuing.
- The order has been placed for the exercise equipment at Hessewelle Crescent and should hopefully be ready in 8 weeks.
- The Legal department have issued the lease for the Hessewelle Crescent playground site after no objections were received after the Notice had been published in the paper for 28 days due to the fact that a 25 year lease is classed as a disposal of land under the 1972 Local Government.

- Work is ongoing with the County Council to identify land suitable for allotments.
- There have been three junior teams' sign up to the hire the football pitch for the forthcoming season. Haswell Oddfellows team have requested that the Council consider reducing the fee paid by adults as they are unable to afford the current fees. Representation was made at the meeting to make the request and also to ask for permission for the fees to be waived for a charity match in aid of Macmillan Cancer.

## **RESOLVED**

- (i) That the information be duly noted.
- (ii) That the lease be duly signed and returned
- (iii) That the football fees be set at a standard rate of £200 for all teams, and the fees be waived for the charity match.

## **9. Finance**

The monthly accounts were circulated for Members to consider. Appendix B Members discussed the current pay structure and it was agreed that it would be reviewed in the near future.

## **RESOLVED**

- (i) That Members accepted and approved the Monthly accounts
- (ii) That a Pay review be carried out in due course.

## **10. Planning**

There was one planning application (Appendix C) The Council discussed the application and raised concerns regarding the highways implications and the loss of parking spaces. Concerns were raised as to what would be happening to the old school building.

## **RESOLVED**

- (i) That the Clerk contact the planning department and raise the issues.

## **11. Members Reports**

Cllr N Mills advised that Mr Dolan had been in contact with regard to the speeding problems on the road leading from the Pemberton Arms into the village. This is an ongoing problem and has been raised previously.

Cllr F Long advised that the speeding problems were made worse by cars parked on the grass verges at the junction opposite the Pemberton Arms.

Cllr D Liversidge informed the meeting that speeding is a problem on Station Street and that problems are occurring with bikes driving on grassed areas and doing wheelies

## **RESOLVED**

- (i) The Cllr Mills inform Mr Dolan that he needs to report the speeding problem to the Police via the PACT meeting.
- (ii) That the Police be informed of the speeding activity and the issue of bikes.

## **12. County Councillors Update**

Cllr Huntington informed the meeting that:

- That there is to be a bus stop installation outside Hospital Farm Haswell
- A review is ongoing regarding the fixed play provision across the County due to the inequality at the present time.
- The Chief Executive of the County Council is to retire next year.
- A project is ongoing to tackle youth unemployment in Co Durham. It is hoped that 5500 young people will receive assistance into training or work.
- The Planning Policy Statement is to be considered by the Cabinet it is hoped that this will ensure consistency across the County.
- There is still a Government move to introduce Mayors to County Council so that more devolution of power can be achieved. This is not a popular suggestion and questions are being raised with regard to value for money.
- More cuts are due and up to another 200 jobs could be lost as a further £120 million is to be cut from frontline services. Representations have been made to the Government and local MP's to try and reduce the amount of cuts.

### **RESOLVED**

- (i) That the information be duly noted.

## **13. Any other Urgent Items of business**

There were no issues raised.

## **14. Date and Time of the next meeting**

The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> July 2015 at 7pm in The Hazelwell Centre.

## Appendix A

### Police Report

26/05/2015 – 27/06/2015

### Burglary x0

No reports of burglary during the above dates

### Thefts x3

Howarth Terrace – theft of a garden hose

East Villas – theft of a large hanging basket taken from the front of the house.

Front Street – 6ft, large build, red headed male seen selling counterfeit cigarettes, male took persons money but did not return with goods – under investigation, anyone with info please contact PC Terry Hill

### Criminal damage x1

Front Street – damage to window, brick used to cause damage. Second time within a few weeks

### Vehicle Damage

Richmond Terrace - the spare wheel on underside of vehicle stolen overnight, the bracket holding the wheel appears to have been cut.

### ASB

Mazine Terrace – Black Clio doing hand brake turns in pit car park, anyone with information please contact 101 with details.

### Info

Regular night shift plain cloths patrols have been conducted by Easington Policing Team, various persons stopped and questioned during the early hours.

A silver people carrier has been seen in the area in suspicious circumstances and at times when items have gone missing, persons to remain vigilant and report anything suspicious to 101

## Appendix B

June 2015					Receipts			Payments							VAT		
Date	Details	Inv. No	Cheque No	Receipt	Payment	Precept	Football Fees	Interest	Central Services	Public Buildings	Horticulture	Utilities	Loans	Section 137	Special Projects	VAT Input	VAT reclaimed
16.6.15	Playground repairs	120.15	102448		113.58						113.58					18.93	
16.6.15	Lloyds Mower	121.15	102449		1020.00						1020.00					170.00	
16.6.15	Machine Mart reissued chq Chq553 cancelled	15.15	102550		808.68					808.68						134.80	
29.6.15	Vodafone	1122.15	102551		40.54				40.54								
29.6.15	DCC repairs	123.15	102552		97.20						97.2					16.20	
29.6.15	P levitt petrol and fertilizer	123.15	102553		70.60						70.60					11.77	
29.6.15	Tbell postage	124.15	102554		15.12				15.12								
29.6.15	Hazelwell centre Donation		102555		10000.00					10000.00							
	Wages	BACS			3023.92					3023.92							
	BACS fee				10.42					10.42							
29.6.15	T.Bell 1st Qrt mileage		102556		391.50				391.50								
					15591.56					13034.34	167.80					27.97	

## Appendix C

<a href="#">DM/15/01803/FPA</a>	Haswell And District Mencap	Haswell And District Mencap Car Park Lisa Dixon Centre Burt Close Haswell Peterlee DH6 2DA	Erection of timber building for use as furniture recycling centre	Shotton and South Hetton  Haswell CP	Barry Gavillet  Delegated
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