

# Chattisham & Hintlesham Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF CHATTISHAM AND HINTLESHAM PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT THE COMMUNITY HALL MEETING ROOM AT 7.30 P.M. ON THURSDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> September 2013

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**PRESENT:**

**Councillors:** Stephanie Coupland (chair), Ted Wright, Robin Baldry , Robert Taylor, Margaret Taylor, Chris Leney, Ben Cox and Peter Eaton,

**Parish Clerk:** Samantha Barber.

**District Councillors:** Nick Ridley

**County Councillor:** Dave Busby

**Members of the Public:** There was one member of the public present

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:**

Apologies for absence had been received from Ian Bryce, Frances Self, John Whyman and Diane Chase

**2. TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF 11th July 2013 and 8<sup>th</sup> August 2013:**

Copies of these had been circulated to all councillors and were proposed as an accurate record of the meetings by Robert Taylor and seconded by Margaret Taylor. The minutes were duly signed by Stephanie Coupland

**3. DECLARATION OF INTEREST OF ANY ITEM ON THE AGENDA:**

Margaret and Robert Taylor and Chris Leney signed in respect of planning.

**4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF 11<sup>th</sup> July and 8<sup>th</sup> August 2013:**

Grit Bin Timperleys – this has now been moved

Bus Service – Duke Street. Following the news from the Hadleigh Community Transport Group, about possibility of re routing the 90 evening and Sunday service via Duke Street, it was discussed that it would be worth approaching Beeston's to see if they would consider running a daily bus service and the clerk will send a letter with a copy to Suffolk CC

**5. ADJOURNMENT FOR REPORTS FROM COUNTY, DISTRICT COUNCILLORS AND POLICE:**

**County:** Cllr Busby had sent a report which had been circulated to all councillors and added to this by reporting that Suffolk CC had set aside a budget to tackle fly tipping and everyone was reminded to report incidences to Suffolk CC. On the A14 roadworks will be taking place between Wherstead and the Seven Hills Interchange over a period of ten nights at the end of September. Foundation East are an organisation set up to give loans to small businesses in the area. A conference will shortly take place regarding

education in Suffolk called 'raising the bar'. Current scams in the region were mentioned including people selling chainsaws door to door and another where people are told that Suffolk CC are offering cash prizes. Grants are being made available to help people access the creative and cultural sectors for employment. Changes to the Beagle roundabout have hopefully been put on hold until further information has been gathered. The roadworks currently taking place in Ipswich were mentioned by councillors and the chaos that this has caused. Peter Eaton asked about super fast broadband and whether after all of the publicity this would ever be brought to rural communities such as Hintlesham and what plans Suffolk CC have for rolling this out in the region.

**District :** Cllr Nick Ridley reported that the wind turbine application at Belstead/Wherstead is still yet to be received. The core strategy will hopefully be adopted at the end of the year after some issues have been resolved to do with development at Brantham, this will mean any supplementary documents will not be added until the spring of 2014. Pylons – as covered in the agenda there has recently been a forum meeting with little new information to report apart from discussions about the style of pylons. All district and county councils still remain steadfast about pushing for total undergrounding though. Burstall are currently dealing with the planning inspectorate in relation to EA One and the Bramford Sub-Station which will have an enormous impact on the village. The proposed Tesco at Hadleigh is being decided at planning committee on 18<sup>th</sup> September and there was a discussion by Councillors about the arguments for and against Tesco's. The District Council general fund spend has been reduced from 12 million to 9 million over the last four years

**Police:** No police officer was present but the report for the area had been circulated

**Community Council:** It was reported that the hall has now been painted

**6. REPORTS FROM PARISH COUNCILLORS – to include NG Forum Report from meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> Sept 2013:**

Frances Self had sent the following report:-

National Grid Community Forum 5th. September 2013

This was Round 11 of the Community Forums and we are still in the informal pre planning application stage of consultation. NG intend to start formal consultation early in 2014 with a submission of their plans to the Planning Inspectorate toward the end of 2014. (The process was detailed on page 4 of the Spring/Summer Project News delivered to households).

The long awaited detailed proposed route showing exact pylon positions in 3D will not now be available until November. It is possible that the new T pylon design could be used on the route but the existing lattice pylons will remain in perpetuity. Photomontages of the design are available on NG's web site.

Another report compiled about how the decisions were made about alignment around Hintlesham Hall is to be produced. The only route considered was overground in Corridor 2B. It was noted that Hintlesham Hall was not the only or indeed oldest building of historic interest affected by 2B.

NG's planning application will not include landscape work to mitigate the developments at Bramford Substation because in planning terms there is no linkage between the substation and distribution. The chairman urged liaison between NG and East Anglian Offshore Wind. (He also upheld a complaint about NG's premature claim that the position of the substation south of Bulmer Tye had been 'Confirmed': it should be a 'Proposed' location).

It seems that there is a great deal of activity occurring at National Level in the Energy provision area which may have implications for the Bramford to Twinstead proposal.

The next Forum should be in November when NG will provide a written response to member questions on the Scoping Report.

Buses – New timetables are currently being printed.

Footpaths – Margaret Taylor has chased up issues at three footpaths and Stephanie Coupland mentioned that the path behind the George Pub and the Garage needs to be cut.

Affordable Housing – Isobel Wright had sent an e-mail about the naming of the new houses in Timperleys. It was decided that it might well be a good idea to have a competition in ‘The Link’ to get the community involved in deciding on a name and then have a vote on the most popular

## 7. PLANNING :

**Planning Principles** – Having taken some time to look at the Babergh District Council planning principles it had been noted that if a parish council made an objection to an application then that application would be decided at planning committee and not by a case officer. The question was asked of Clr Nick Ridley why currently this was not happening. Clr Ridley replied that Babergh are currently struggling to meet their targets for planning and will delegate planning decisions to officers unless there is considered a very good reason not to. If the Council are unable to meet these targets then there is the possibility that planning decisions could be taken away from them and made by the Planning Inspectorate. Chris Leney argued that in effect Babergh are then contravening their own guidelines which Clr Ridley agreed was the case and would report this back to the Chair of the Development Committee at Babergh.

**Planning Applications** – B/13/00753/FUL – Land Opp Maple House, Hintlesham. Erection of ménage with fence and floodlights - *The council had no objections but wished to mention that it may be necessary to impose a time limit on any floodlights.*

B/13/00942/FHA – West View, The Street, Chattisham. Erection of side and front extension – *The council had no objections but a comment was made regarding the footprint size of the building.*

B/13/0086/FUL – Hintlesham Golf Club. Erection of building for 5 bay driving range – *The council made no objections.*

## 8. SPEEDING:

The idea of (30) stickers for wheelie bins in the villages was discussed and decided to be a good idea. County Councillor Dave Busby was asked whether this could be financed via the locality budget and he will look into this. In the meantime a count of the number of stickers required would be made. Whilst on the subject of speeding it was mentioned that Lorries from Celotex and refuse vehicles from Babergh DC were often spotted driving through Hintlesham at speed and the clerk will send a letter to both.

The possibility of mobile speed signs was spoken about and the clerk will speak to Frances Self about possible contacts to see if this can be organised for a period of time in the future.

## 9. NOTICEBOARD – DUKE STREET

Two quotes had been obtained for a new noticeboard in Duke Street. After much discussion it was decided by a majority vote that it would be a good idea to use the red telephone box as a noticeboard and install a board inside the box. Stephanie Coupland will obtain a quote for a board. It was also decided that in time the box at Chattisham could also be used as a noticeboard.

## 10. FINANCE:

The following items were approved by the council and the cheques signed.

100822	S Barber	Clerk Salary	£191.34
100823	SALC	Councillor Training	£117.60
100824	H & C Comm Hall	Hall Hire	£33.00
100825	Village Link	'The Link'	£591.50
100826	Zurich Ins	Insurance	£194.97

Insurance was discussed as Zurich offer a reduced premium for those that stay with them for a period of five years and as this is one of the only insurance companies that will cover a small parish council it was decided by the council to enter in to this agreement and make a saving.

The external audit had been completed by BDO Stoy with no audit points raised.

**11. CORRESPONDENCE**

The Local Councillor – Magazine

Clerks and Councils Direct – Magazine

Viridor had written to inform that they would be performing an inspection of the play area .

**12. AOB/ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA:**

Traffic and Future Development