

## **Minutes of Haswell Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> July 2016 at 7pm in the Hazelwell Centre Haswell**

### **Present.**

Councillor Mr A. Liversidge (Presiding), and Councillors D.Liversidge, N Mills, J.Hall, C.Chiverton, C. Kell, B.Kell,  
County Councillors: A Liversidge  
In Attendance - T. Bell (Clerk), members of the public,

### **28.16. Apologies.**

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

### **29.16 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.

### **30.16 Minutes of the Meeting held Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2016**

#### **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.

### **31.16 Police / Wardens Briefing**

The report was read out as Appendix A as the police were unable to attend.

#### **RESOLVED**

- (i) that the information be duly noted

### **32.16 Public Participation**

The following matters arising from the previous meeting were reported on:

- .The issues at Mazine Terrace have been reported to DCC Planning Enforcement who are investigating and will report back in due course.
- The speeding issues have been raised with David Battensby who is investigating
- The pathway from Haswell Plough to the Pemberton Arms has been raised by with the Head of Highways Brian Buckley, Cllr A Liversidge impressed the importance of having a footpath due to the withdrawal of the school bus service and this being a walkway to the school in Shotton. This will be investigated and possibly added to the capital works programme.
- Pathway from Haswell to South Hetton has been raised with Brian Buckley with regard to having the path resurfaced.
- The Pit Monument at Mazine Terrace has been reported to Clean and Green team for a response.

The following issues were raised by residents:

- Paths at Richmond Terrace have been resurfaced and are lifting causing a trip hazard

- Pathway to South Hetton is overgrown with hedges encroaching onto the highway the land belongs to the Woodland Trust and has been reported many times for action.
- A question was raised on the role of the PSCO's. A discussion took place on the lack of police due to cut backs.
- Flytipping at Mazine Terrace along with broken glass in the car park next to the pit monument.

## **RESOLVED**

- (i) that the information be duly noted
- (ii) Cllr Liversidge will report the broken glass and flytipping to DCC
- (iii) The Clerk will again contact the Woodland Trust regarding the hedges and also contact the Clerk at South Hetton to take action as it is in their parish boundary.

### **33.16 Clerks report / correspondence**

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

- Unsafe paths at junction of Mazine Terrace and Durham Road have been reported to DCC who are investigating.
- Cllr Liversidge has raised the issues regarding the poor pathways between Pemberton Arms and Haswell Plough and also between Haswell and Snippersgate.
- Vacancy for all Councillor is advertised
- Cllr Liversidge has been in contact with DCC regarding the fence at the pit monument and the blocked gully
- A letter of support was sent to New Century Saddlery supporting the proposed business expansion
- The initial training on the new website has been completed and work has commenced on transferring document into the correct format. A number of photographs have been taken to upload onto a slider on the front page and then we will go 'live' need photographs of all Councillors so we can put all details on the site
- Playground meeting took place with Wayne Gibson from the AAP – very disappointing response. All the hard work with Paul Ryan appears not to have been passed on to the new member of staff who was not very enthusiastic with the scheme. He will be reporting back by the beginning of August with possible funding pots to apply to. Shelagh Pearce confirmed that the funding of £6776 will be saved and ringfenced for Haswell.

#### **Correspondence**

- Letter from English Heritage to advise they are looking at the war memorial in the village to see if it is of significant.
- Letter from Grahame Morris MP regarding the complaint at the Recreational Ground This will be discussed later in the meeting.

## **RESOLVED**

- (i) That the information be duly noted.
- (ii) That work continues regarding attracting funding for the play area.

### **34.16. Finance**

To approve the monthly accounts. Appendix B

#### **RESOLVED**

- (i) That Members accepted and approved the monthly accounts.

### **35.16 Planning**

Planning information was circulated. Appendix C

#### **RESOLVED**

- (i) There were no objections to the planning list or the sale of land at Haswell Plough for a garden.

### **36.16 Reports of Anti Social Behaviour on the Recreational Field**

Members were advised that a number of complaints have been received regarding anti social behaviour at the Recreational Field due to quadbikes and cars accessing the space. Several complaints have also been raised with the local MP Grahame Morris. A long discussion took place regarding the historical use and the possible future uses of the field. The Clerk advised that a requirement of the Trustees was that the appropriate Public Liability insurance should be in place.

#### **RESOLVED**

- (i) That the Clerk investigates the insurance implications  
(ii) That the Clerk take legal advice from a Solicitor and also from the Charity Commission on the Council's position as a Trustee to the land.  
(iii) That the Clerk writes back to the complainants and MP advising of the actions to be taken.

### **37.16 Members Reports**

Cllr D.Liversidge reported on the ongoing issues with children causing problems in Station Street due to anti-social behaviour.

Cllr C Kell raised the following:

- Ongoing parking problems outside of the children's home. The road is constantly blocked by vehicles parking outside on the road rather than using the carpark. It is impossible to get down the road with farm machinery.
- Rubbish is still being dumped on the C64 but it is being logged as Easington Village and not Haswell. Another large amount of builders' rubble has been dumped.

Cllr J Hall advised that the East Durham Horse Fair will take place over the August bank Holiday weekend the police have it well planned and there are no problems anticipated.

Cllr Chiverton advised that the trees in Faraday Terrace are causing a problem due to their sized and need pruning. Cllr Liversidge advised that the County policy is not to prune trees however it will be reported.

Cllr A Liversidge informed the meeting that:

- the banner had been blessed in the church on the 12<sup>th</sup> June and was taken to the Miners Gala on the 9<sup>th</sup> July.
- The Tommy Simpson memorial is well under way and should be ready in the next couple of months. It is hoped that a ceremony of unveiling can take place.

**RESOLVED**

- (i) That the information be noted.
- (ii) That the issues will be reported to DCC for action.

**38.16 County Councillors Update**

Cllr A Liversidge informed the meeting that:

- Cllr Brookes has £500 to spend on Haswell Plough for a project. It was suggested that it be used for the new footpath to the Pemberton Arms.
- The North East receives a large amount of funding from the European Union and the County Council is seeking reassurances from the Government to safeguard funding.
- DCC are looking to market the Ackley Head site at Durham with the aim of creating 6000 jobs on the site, no further details are available at present.
- Flying Scotsman is in Shildon
- Bowes Museum currently has an exhibition on shoes which is excellent
- Brass festival will take place shortly but not in the village.
- Consultation on the T.A is still ongoing

Cllr Chiverton advised that the pedestrian trainers are also having their contracts changed with no consultation.

**RESOLVED**

- (i) That the information be noted.
- (ii) That Cllr Liversidge will look into the Pedestrian trainers issue.

**39.16. Date and Time of the next meeting**

The next meeting is Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2016 at 7.00 pm in The Hazelwell Centre.

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ASB

03/07/2016 Hessewelle Crescent

Reports of 10 people taking turns riding a full sized quadbike. Full description of bike given, however when the Street Wardens arrived the bike was gone.

23/07/2016 Haswell

Caller reporting 15 youths of mixed sexes throwing stones at their farm vehicle. Street Wardens attended however the youths had already made off.

Burglary

06/07/2016 Burt Close

Caller reporting that two males have climbed a 6 foot fence surrounding a yard and removing scrap from said yard. Possible male identified.

Road related

09/07/2016 Faraday Terrace

Caller reporting that a known male is riding a motorbike without license of insurance. Officers attended the area in which the bike was headed, stopping the vehicle and arresting one male. The motorbike has been seized.

18/07/2016 Windsor Terrace

Reports of a vehicle crashing into a fence before making off. Vehicle registration passed to police, however this registration may be incorrect. The investigation is on-going.

Theft

09/07/2016 Alexandra Terrace

Reports of a two males exiting a white van and removing two garden plant pots from a garden. The pots are placed in the van and the males drive off. There is CCTV of the incident and the investigation is still on going.

12/07/2016 Burt Close

Caller reporting a male entering the back yard of a premises and removing large amounts of scrap. As above, the male is believed to have been identified and the investigation is on-going.

16/07/2016 Almond Close

Overnight between 08/07 and 09/07 unknown person(s) have entered the caller's property and removed the concrete bird bath.

22/07/2016 Phillips Close

Caller reporting that overnight their car has been stolen off their driveway. The vehicle's registration has been added to ANPR and the investigation is on-going.

Criminal damage

15/07/2016 Station Street

Reports that the caller's shed and roof to the shed have been damaged. The incident has possibly been caught on CCTV and the investigation is currently on-going.

18/07/2016 Haswell

Caller reporting that the fence to their field has been cut. The field contains cattle and it means they may potentially get out. The investigation is still on-going.

Suspicious Activity

22/07/2016 Front Street East

Reports that an empty premises on the street has no rear door. The address has been checked and the door is still in place, and has been pulled shut. The landlord is to be contacted with the aim to have it boarded up.

23/07/2016 Pesspool Lane

Reports of three males attempting to steal a horse box. It is possible that these males have attempted to take a number of other items nearby. The males made off prior to police arrival. The investigation is on-going.

Appendix B

July 2016					Receipts				Payments						VAT		
Date	Details	Inv. No	Cheque No	Receipt	Payment	Precept	Football Fees	Interest	Central Services	Public Buildings	Hort	Utilities	Loans	Sec 137	Special Projects	VAT Input	VAT reclaim ed
14.7.16	Northumbrian Water	i17.16			85.65							85.65					
15.7.16	Vodaphhone	l18.16			34.00				34.00							5.66	
	Members Allowances	BACS			3613.71				3613.71								
	Wages	BACS			3329.14				3329.14								
	BACS fees	BACS			10.42				10.42								
	interest																
					7072.92				6987.27		0.00	85.65				5.66	

## Appendix C

DM/16/01180/FPA Mr Gill 2 Plough Farm Haswell Durham DH6 2AZ Raising of roof height and installation  
of two dormer windows to front of site  
and single-storey extension to rear

Proposed sale of land East of Plough Inn Haswell – Information circulated