**Minutes of the Meeting of Holme Parish Council**

**Held on**

**Thursday 19 January 2023 at 7pm at Holme Village Hall**

**Councillors present:** Mr J Edwards, Mrs L Roderick-Smith, Mr H Watson, Mr E Whittaker, Mr P Sargent, Mrs W Aylesbury, Mr D Neal

Also present: Mrs J Osborn (Clerk)

1. **Chairman’s welcome.** Cllr E Whittaker took the chair & welcomed all present
2. **Apologies for absence**: Cllr J Griffin, Cllr C Reed,County Councillor S Bywater, District Councillor T Alban
3. **a & b. Declaration of interests:** None.
4. **Public Participation.** No members of the public attended**.**
5. **Report from District and County Councillors.** Both reports referred to the possible closure of Great Gidding School. Tim Alban had spoken to applicant about the Yaxley Road development and Simon Bywater commented on pothole repairs.
6. **To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 17 November 2022.**

After adjustment regarding the resignation of Kiri Brudenell and appointment of a recruitment committee, Cllr Aylesbury proposed & Cllr Edwards seconded the approval of the minutes of the previous meeting, all in favour.

1. **Matters arising from previous meeting.**
   1. **Speed indicator latest results.** Top Speed 78mph and V85 figure was 38mph at Holmewood and 56mph and V85 figure 30mph at the Cemetery. Results are consistent.
   2. **Speed Indicators.** Clerk to get a quote for a new solar powered SID and investigate cost of conversion of existing units. Also to speak with Clerks at Great Gidding and Old Weston to seek practical information about their solar units.
   3. **Footpath to Nature Reserve.** Discussed, project abandoned following meeting with Great Fen. (see item10a)
   4. **Layby update.** Clerk to contact Highways concerning the flooding. When this is addressed consider paying for resurfacing etc.
   5. **POW crossed in cemetery (EW/HW)** Cllr Whittaker has in hand.
   6. **Christmas Tree –** defer to July meeting
   7. **Play Space –** Clerk to ask HDC whether play equipment could be installed on Holmewood Green. Clerk also to write to School. HDC will be receiving about £13k under S106 for the Yaxley Road development for play space.
   8. **Trees in Churchyard (Red Oak in memoriam) –** Robert Ayres has been out of action after an accident but has this in mind.
2. **Planning** 
   1. 20/00208/OUT }Yaxley Rd
   2. 22/01951/REM } Landscaping re above, approved.
   3. 20/00923/REM – Pingle Bank – Demolition is taking place
   4. 20/00929/FUL Top Farm – Pending decision
   5. 21/02867/OUT 11 Station Rd –pending decision
   6. 22/01735/FUL Holme Lode Farm – in progress
   7. New applications/other outstanding applications. None.
3. **Financial report.**
4. Current position: Receipts and payments and bank reconciliation had been circulated.
5. Payments to authorise: £

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| 18.11.22 | O2 mobile | DD | 16.30 |
| 30.11.22 | Ayres Tree Care (cemetery conifers) | BACS | 600.00 |
| 30.11.22 | Yaxley Gazette (Advert) | BACS | 85.00 |
| 30.11.22 | J Osborn admin/handover | BACS | 117.53 |
| 30.11.22 | K Brudenell – wages/exps | BACS | 303.82 |
| 1.12.22 | Cardells Landscaping | BACS | 1287.50 |
| 5.12.22 | Noticeboard Keys | BACS | 14.30 |
| 18.12.22 | O2 Mobile | DD | 13.99 |
| 31.12.22 | J Osborn Wages & Exps | BACS | 483.40 |
| 31.12.22 | HMRC PAYE | BACS | 16.40 |

1. To note: Receipts: Interment fees £700, Memorial fee £125, Interest £29.25
2. Appointment of Auditor. Ivan Cooper (March) was appointed
3. **Reports from Councillors/Clerk.**
   1. Report on meeting with Kate Carver (Great Fen). This was to inform Councillors prior to a planning application for a new access and car park. At the same time the subject of the footpath was raised with no result.
   2. Clerk authorised to order new reference manual via SLCC.
   3. Clerk Recruitment. A discussion took place to inform the recruiters of the Councillors’ wishes and priorities for selection.
   4. Cemetery gates – Cllr Neal will look at.
   5. Gateways- Cllr Edwards to investigate cleaning.
4. **Correspondence and other matters.**
   1. CCC Heritage List Clerk is contacting CCC to register the buildings discussed previously
   2. Warm Hub spaces – there are spaces at Sawtry, Yaxley and Stilton.
   3. Sawtry Neighbourhood Plan. No Council response to be made but individuals can make their own comments.
   4. Highways – Clerk to write to highways regarding the degraded edge towards Glatton and also asking for the white edge line to be applied where missing. Also to report damage to road sign (Holme Posts).
   5. Yaxley Patient Group – No funding to be given but Parish News is available for their reports.
   6. CCC engagement meeting. 25 January on zoom
   7. CAPALC SGM – Clerk to send apologies and vote in favour of motion
   8. Great Gidding school closure consultation open from 23 Jan to 21 Feb.
   9. Police virtual meeting 14 March
5. **Dates of the** **next Parish Council Meetings**

16 March 2023, 18 May 2023, 20 July 2023, 21 September 2023 and 16 November 2023. Annual Parish Meeting 27 April 2023.

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