

OLD HURST PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Old Hurst Parish Council
held in The Church of St. Peter on Wednesday 17th January 2018.

Councillors present: Mr. G. Bull, Mrs. J. Mackenzie, Mrs. J. Pearce & Mrs. L. Sawyer (Chairman).

Also present: Mrs. D. Benham (Clerk) & 1 parishioner.

Public participation: Mrs. Howard advised that she hoped to resolve IT issues with Speedwatch shortly and that sessions would resume soon. A request for more volunteers will be placed in the next issue of the Old Hurst Diary. Mrs Howard advised that the snowdrops and daffodils had started to come up in the verges.

1. **Apologies for absence:** Cllr. C. Bussetil (personal) & County Cllr. S. Criswell (personal).

2. **Declarations of interest:** None received.

3. **Minutes of the previous meetings held on 14th November 2017:** Unanimously approved and signed by the Chairman.

4. **Matters arising from the minutes:**

a) Roads and footpaths – The Clerk will be attending the Local Highways Improvement Initiative panel meeting on 18th January to present the Parish Council’s application for funding towards double yellow lines either side of the main entrance to Johnsons on Church Street.

Highways have agreed to patch the edges of the footway outside 2 and 3 Lancaster Close and will consider carrying out further repairs in the new financial year. The Clerk has reported damage to the grass verge at the entrance to Dacre Close on a number of occasions. Highways will only carry out urgent works but will consider installing some marker posts in the new financial year.

Highways are liaising with Caretech in order to get the fire-damage to the carriageway outside Oak Trees repaired. Clerk to report damage to a manhole cover at the end of Church Street and to ask for the footway from Old Hurst to Warboys to be sided out.

b) Bus services – District Cllr. Bull advised that all services through Old Hurst were safe for the time being and that the results of the Combined Authority bus services review should be known soon.

5. **To consider an email received from Community Roadwatch offering to deploy a Data Logger in Old Hurst:** Councillors discussed the contents of the email and the advice given by the police, that they do not support the use of such devices. Cllr. Bull proposed that the Parish Council should not use the service offered by Community Roadwatch. Seconded by Cllr. Pearce and unanimously agreed.

6. **Finance.**

a) Payment of outstanding debts - Cllr. Mckenzie proposed retrospective approval of payment of items (1) to (4). Seconded by Cllr. Pearce and unanimously agreed.

(1) Cq. No. 000542 - £97.30, Mrs. D. Benham, wages & expenses for November.

(2) Cq. No. 000543 - £23.60, HMRC, PAYE/NI for November.

- (3) Cq. No. 000544 - £94.10, Mrs. D. Benham, wages & expenses for December.
- (4) Cq. No. 000545 – £23.60, HMRC, PAYE/NI for December.
- b) Current position - A copy of the receipts and payments and bank reconciliation was handed to each councillor. Cllr. Bull checked the bank statement against the reconciliation.

7. Police matters.

The police crime report for October showed 4 reported crimes and for November, no reported crimes.

8. Correspondence.

Circulated to councillors:

- a) Roadworks and events bulletin 16th -30th November.
- b) A14C2H news release.
- c) External Auditor appointments for 2017/18.
- d) A14 Temporary Bailey Bridge removal.
- e) A14 planned closures.
- f) CAPALC Chief Executive’s bulletin.
- g) Roadworks and events bulletin 1st -15th December.
- h) Cambridgeshire Parish Conference notes.
- i) Roadworks and events bulletin 16th -31st December.
- j) Cambridgeshire ACRE Local Council development plan 2017-2022.
- k) Huntingdonshire Local Plan to 2036 Proposed Submission.
- l) Policing Precept consultation.
- m) Innovate & Cultivate Fund advice session.
- n) Changing Lives – new programme.
- o) Cambridgeshire Matters January Newsletter.
- p) Park Homes consultation – Cllr. Mckenzie to monitor.
- q) General Data Protection Regulations – CAPALC will hold training sessions for clerks and councillors in March, and is looking into providing a county-wide service that Parish Council could join in order to comply with legislation that comes into effect on 25th May. Cllr. Sawyer and the Clerk to monitor this.
- r) A14 C2H news release – award nomination.

9. Reports from Councillors.

District Cllr. Bull advised that Luminus were undertaking a review of one of the tenancy’s in Wellington Close. The District Council will be increasing their part of the Council Tax by 2% but there will be further increases by other authorities such as the County Council and the Fire Service.

10. Date of the next meeting: Wednesday 21st March 2018 starting at 7.30pm in St. Peter’s Church.

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