

Herongate and Ingrave Parish Council



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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at St. Andrews Hall, Herongate on Wednesday, 25th November 2015 at 7.15pm.

In the Chair: Cllr Alan Kingsford

Present: Cllrs Alan Bayless, Martin Hannush (Vice Chair), Paul Hawkins, Sheila Murphy and Stewart Theobald

Officers: Mrs Theresa Grainger (Clerk)

Members of the public: Two plus Cllr Roger Hirst (ECC)

15/16.131 Public participation session with respect to items on the agenda and other matters that are of mutual interest

- A local resident advised that members of St. Andrews Church are forming a Steering Group to help at least two refugee families find shelter within the villages and asked if the PC would consider supporting the project. Cllr Sheila Murphy responded to advise that BBC has taken a decision for the Borough to welcome two Syrian families before Christmas. She offered to sit on the Steering Group on behalf of the PC.
- Another resident referred to the Hillcrest development appeal. Cllr Paul Hawkins advised that he has been working on a PC response which would go out at the end of the week.
- Cllr Roger Hirst spoke about the possibility of 20mph advisory flashing signs either side of Ingrave Johnstone School if the 20's Plenty campaign is not successful. Cllr Paul Hawkins asked why the vacant position of Crossing Man employed by the school had not been filled. It seems that the post has been advertised but there are no applications. Cllr Roger Hirst will look into this matter.

15/16.132 Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Cllr Kelly Pegram. Cllr Mark Lewindon has resigned. Apologies were accepted.

Proposed: Cllr S. Murphy **Seconded:** Cllr S. Theobald **All agreed**

15/16.133 Minutes

The Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday, 27th October 2015 were accepted as a true record with the small correction on agenda point 15/16.130 where the date should have been 25th and not 30th.

Proposed: Cllr S. Murphy **Seconded:** Cllr A. Bayless **All agreed**

15/16.134 Progress Report from the Clerk

Report on matters arising from Minutes dated 27th October 2015

The Clerk advised that the kerb at Heron Court had been reported again.

15/16.135 To receive Members' declarations of interest in items on the agenda

It was noted that there were no Declarations of Interest.

15/16.136 Finance

a) Cheques signed at this meeting:-

Payee	Cheque No.	Amount
Administration	933	£355.28
Essex Pension Fund	934	£280.16
HM Revenue & Customs	935	£179.79
Administration	936	£605.52
Mrs. H. Kingsford (Newsletter)	937	£188.99
Mr. A. Kingsford (Christmas Tree)	938	£150.00
Cut Above (Maintenance + Christmas Tree)	939	£750.00

Proposed: Cllr A. Bayless Seconded: Cllr S. Murphy All agreed

b) Members noted that accounts/bank reconciliation for November 2015 would be presented at the next meeting In January 2016.

15/16.137 Christmas Card Competition 2015/ Lighting of the Christmas Tree Lights

- Members and Public made the following choices:-
Winner – Mia Ayres – Class 1
Runners up – Maddie Drew – Class 5 and Katie Miller – Class 6
- Members asked that a note of thanks be recorded to Mrs Claire Brew for liaising with Ingrave Johnstone School to organise the Christmas Card Competition,
- The PC thanked Cllr Roger Hirst for his input with Essex Highways to ensure that the street light on the Cricket Green be installed and working in time for the lighting of the tree.
- Members noted with thanks that Rev David Bagwell led the Carols at the Lighting of the Christmas tree lights.

15/16.138 Neighbourhood Watch

Cllr A. Kingsford spoke of the recent news of cuts in police operations with only 10 police stations to be left open in the whole of Essex. He also highlighted the Chancellors announcement in Government that day that proposals for cuts in Essex may change. This could be good news for Essex. In the meantime Cllr Kingsford has been contacted by Peter Salmon, the Brentwood Co-ordinator for the Neighbourhood Watch programme who is happy to attend our May 2016 meeting and possibly the May Fete at Ingrave to promote Neighbourhood Watch. Mr Salmon is asking for support from the PC to advertise Neighbourhood Watch on notice boards, newsletters and website. Members considered this a good idea.

Proposed: Cllr A. Kingsford Seconded: Cllr A. Bayless All agreed

15/16.139 Herongate Football Club

Cllr A. Kingsford advised that Paul Allen, Chairman of Herongate Football Club had approached the PC for a letter of support regarding the Club's application to Sport England for funding towards drainage works on the pitches which become waterlogged and unusable during heavy rain. The Club has now secured a 35 year Lease from the Laurie family. A copy of the letter was circulated and approved.

Proposed: Cllr S. Murphy Seconded: Cllr P. Hawkins All agreed

15/16.140 Crime and Disorder

- Cllr S. Murphy reported that the young lads, who ride their quad bikes with no number plates on the public highways, have been seen again along the Billericay Road.

- Cllr M. Hannush reported that there has been fly tipping of a fridge along the Dunton Road and Cllr S. Murphy advised that after investigations, not only was the fly tipper fined but also the resident who used the fly tipper to dispose of the fridge.
- Cllr A. Kingsford reported that a camper van with Italian number plates was being parked in Thorndon Approach. After police investigation it was established that there was nothing illegal and the van was owned by a man and his wife while the man was working in West Horndon as a lorry driver.

15/16.141 Planning

A list of Planning Applications received and determined since the last meeting was agreed.

Proposed: Cllr P. Hawkins Seconded: Cllr A. Bayless All agreed

Cllr S. Murphy reported that she had attended an LDP meeting the previous week and several Planning Workshops. The draft Local Plan will be ready in February.

15/16.142 Reports from Councillors

- Cllr A. Kingsford reported that Cllr M. Lewindon had resigned as he was moving away from the area.
- Cllr A. Bayless raised the question of the three lamppost stumps, wrapped in yellow tape, which have been left in situ by Running Waters, Ingrave sign and Cockriden Farm. The Clerk will make enquiries with Essex Highways.

15/16.143 Correspondence

A list of correspondence for November was noted.

15/16.144 Training

- None
- There were no other reports regarding training.

15/16.145 Items from Councillors to be added to the next Agenda

None.

15/16.146 Members noted that the next meeting will be as follows: Tuesday, 26th January 2016, 7.15pm at St. Nicholas Hall, Ingrave.

The meeting ended at 9.00pm

Signed:-----Chairman

Date:-----