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Meeting Wednesday 11th January 2017 at
St Thomas' Church Hall

Minutes

Present: D Nuttall (DN), Sir F Graham-Smith (GS), Simon Brown, C Clowes (Clerk), Mike Wood (MW), Cllr Lesley Smetham (LS), PCSO Julie Short

- 1) **Apologies for absence:** Valerie Dyson, Richard Slater, PCSO Julie Short **17/01**
- 2) **PCSO Report:** Report was emailed to all Parish Councillors in PCSO's absence **17/02**
- 3) **Minutes of meeting on Wednesday 26th October 2016:** agreed and signed as a correct record **17/03**
- 4) **Matters Arising:** None **17/04**
- 5) **Road Safety / Speed Limits: 17/05**
 - i. Anderton's Lane – 30mph signs have now been erected
- 6) **Local Plan: 17/06**
 - i. Inspector's Interim Report – After discussion it was agreed that HPC should make a submission to Cheshire East regarding the proposed Greenbelt site allocations and new houses already being built on sites in Henbury. Will these be deducted from the number of houses needed? Also how does the proposed new Cheshire village at Handforth impact on the housing requirements? Francis, Simon and Valerie will work together to put a draft together straight away. This will be forwarded to all parish councillors and Cllr Smetham and once agreed will be sent to Adrian Fisher at Cheshire East planning copying in Ainsley Arnold and Rachel Bailey. **FGS, SB, VD**
Lesley will advise if she finds out about any relevant dates. **LS**
- 7) **Footpaths: 17/07**
 - i. Application for Public Path Diversion – Public Footpaths Henbury No 1 and No 9 at Sandbach Farm
Simon Brown advised that on footpath No1 the steep area has now been levelled making it much safer.

Simon had visited the site and has emailed CEC and DFRA advising that approximately 650m of hedgerow was removed from this farm as part of an ongoing development. This contravenes the planning application, which proposed these specific sections of hedgerow as 'existing hedgerow to be retained'. Cheshire East Council was not asked for permission for this removal and it is felt that the works contravene the Hedgerow Regulations 1997 by their extensive nature and is still awaiting a response from Vinnie Farrell. He will keep chasing him up and reemphasize that HPC would like to see a significant amount of hedging reinstated. **SB**
 - ii. Henbury – Whirley Footpath – Simon advised that the footpath does need a bit of attention because it is quite muddy in places and it is well used by school children. David will contact Barry Poole at PROW and ask him to come out and inspect it again. **DN**

8) Website: 17/08

Henbury.org is now live and is working well but still being improved. HPC requested that Henbury Society contact Then Media and asked for the invoice to HPC to be raised 6 monthly. Mike continues to ensure that all the required information is displayed for HPC on the website.

9) Budget 2017/18: 17/09

David proposed that the grass cutting on High Tree Lane be reinstated again and allowed for in the budget. After discussion the majority of members present voted against this proposal. The budget as circulated was accepted and agreed.

10) Finance: 17/10

- i. Cheques – totalling £1090.45 - agreed and signed
- ii. Cash book and bank reconciliation for financial year 16/17 – agreed and signed

11) Planning Applications: 17/11

- i. **15/2771D** - HOME FARM, SCHOOL LANE, HENBURY, MACCLESFIELD, CHESHIRE, SK11 9PH - Discharge of Conditions 4,7,12,15,18 & 19 (14/5243M) – **Approved**
- ii. **16/0603M** - APOSTLE COTTAGE, FANSHAWE LANE, HENBURY, CHESHIRE, SK11 9PP - Construction of detached garage – **Approved with Conditions**
- iii. **16/5625M** - ROUGH HEYS FARM, ROUGH HEYS LANE, HENBURY, CHESHIRE, SK11 9PF - Demolition of all existing on site building and the erection of residential dwellings (Use Class C3), together with associated landscape and highway works – **Awaiting Decision** The developers have offered a meeting with HPC. Mike will pursue arranging this and suggest perhaps an open village meeting. **MW**
- iv. **16/5879M** - Apostle Cottage, Fanshawe Lane, Henbury, Cheshire, SK11 9PP - Covered area linking dwelling to outbuilding - **Awaiting Decision**
- v. Weekly Planning Lists – circulated by email.

12) Millennium Green Trust: 17/12

The bonfire was a great success with over 1000 people attending however going forward there is a need to consider safety in case of panic and therefore the committee are looking at installing another exit from the field near to the vicarage.

13) Village Housekeeping: 17/13

- i. New signs for Henbury – awaiting response from Andy Simpson.
- ii. Mowing and Maintenance – not happening at this time of year.
- iii. Gulleys on School Lane, Fanshawe Lane, Bear Hurst Lane and Whirley Lane – these were included in the maintenance programme but were not cleared as gulleys were only cleared down the main road.
- iv. Trees: Survey and Review of trees in residential areas – Simon and David have now carried this out and are putting together a record of what work needs doing to report back at a future meeting.
- v. Hedges:
 - a) Church Lane/ Andertons Lane bend – hedges are growing onto the footpath – David will take up with Andy Simpson
 - b) Top of Dark Lane – overhanging footpath and sunken footpath - ongoing
 - c) Christmas Tree – unfortunately the tree supplied was very poor this year and David has not been successful in contacting the supplier. David reported that all electrical supplies and fittings are safe and meet required standards.
- vi. Church Lane – David suggested that some of the Parish Council financial reserves should be used to have a remedial project to make Church Lane better by cutting back and eradicating ferns and bracken to make future maintenance easier. This would also include levelling the banks. All at the meeting were in favour of the idea in principal but would need to be presented with detailed costings moving forward. HPC will consult with Henbury Society and come back to the meeting with costings. **DN**

14) Environmental Project: 17/14

Simon was thanked for the impressive update report that he has produced and this will be uploaded to the Henbury website. The next hedge planting will take place in early March and details will be circulated.

15) Correspondence: 17/15

All correspondence has either been distributed by hand or email.

16) A.O.B: 17/16

i. Anderton's Lane Development – stones at the entrance are now intruding on the road. Cllr Smetham is pursuing this – ongoing.

ii. Clerk – Catherine advised that due to her husband's job moving she will be moving to Harrogate in the summer.

17) Dates of 2017 meetings: 17/17

- THURS 9th March
- 10th May
- 5th July
- 13th September
- 1st November

The meeting closed at 9.55pm