

## HERMITAGE PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of the Meeting of Hermitage Parish Council held at Adelaide Room, Holy Trinity Church, Hermitage, Berkshire RG18 9ST on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> March, 2016 at 7.45pm

#### Present

Cllr R Cottingham (Chairman)      Cllr R Marr      Cllr A Goldsmith  
Cllr S Russell (Vice Chairman)      Cllr N Burraston      Cllr D Brown      Cllr J Lawler

District Cllr Q Webb - (Attended from from 7.45pm – 8.47pm)

District Cllr G Pask - (Attended from from 7.45pm – 8.47pm)

In attendance Ms N Pierce (Parish Clerk)

#### 1.02.16      **Public participation**

14 members of the public attended to raise concerns in respect of the DPD for areas HER001, HER004.

One statement read out on behalf of a resident with reference to planning  
Application 16/00061/HOUSE

#### 2.02.16      **Apologies for absence**

None

#### 3.02.16      **Minutes of meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> February 2016**

The council agreed the minutes were a correct record and were signed by the chairman.

#### 4.02.16      **Matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting not referred to elsewhere**

1. Hermitage Plan Implementation Group – nothing arising.
2. Parish Clerk training – Training fees of up to £150 for the year agreed, cost to be shared with neighbouring Parish if agreeable. Formal approach to be made.
3. Twinning – Making good progress

#### 5.02.16      **Report of the District Councillor**

The District Councillor reported on the £10.7M (25% reduction) in West Berkshire funding

#### 6.02.16      **Planning**

Cllr D Brown confirmed a declaration of interest and removed himself from the meeting for the discussion process.

Application 16/00061/HOUSE – Tall Trees  
Retrospective planning application

**6 objections**  
**1 no objection.**

#### 7.02.16      **Annual Parish Assembly**

Lieutenant Mark Kingston will be presenting recent changes at Denison Barracks. Mr Charles Gilchrist will be presenting planting at the Village Hall.

#### 8.02.16      **Burial Ground - Bench**

To contact the beneficiaries with an example of the bench and quotation for consideration

Action: Parish Clerk

09.02.16 **Report of RFO**

Finance

1. Receipts: none
2. Payments for consideration.

09.1 SCS	£	200.40
09.2 FC Lawrence	£	564.75
09.3 West Berkshire Council Dog & Litter bins	£	352.54
09.4 FC Lawrence	£	77.00
09.5 N Pierce	Sal & exp	£ 363.63
09.6 HMRC	PAYE	£ 69.60
		<b>£ 1,636.91</b>

10.02.16 **Budget 2016/17**

The budget was reviewed and agreed.

11.02.16 **Highways**

Footpath 16 flooded. Doctors Lane reported to neighbouring Parish.

12.02.16 **Environment**

12.1 Village Hall - Councillors visited the site to discuss the implementation of a boundary fence. This will also provide a safety fence for the Pre School. Chairman to write to the Trustees of the Village Hall.

12.2 PIG Litter Pick 19<sup>th</sup> March – 55 bags of litter collected.

12.3 Recreation Ground – Nothing to report.

12.4 Furze Hill Tree Survey – Company agreed. Works to commence.

12.5 Play areas – Playground checklist to be completed. Cllr Goldsmith to provide template.

12.6 Grounds Maintenance – Company agreed for 2016/17.

12.7 Active Travel Route – Cllr Cottingham provided an update of a prior meeting.

13.02.16 **Correspondence received since the last meeting not referred to elsewhere**

None

14.02.16 **Reports from Parish Council Representatives who have attended meetings of outside bodies on behalf of the Council**

None

15.02.16 **Items raised by councillors**

None

16.02.16 **Any other items which the Chairman decides are urgent (information only)**

17.02.16 **Date of the next meeting**

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2016 at 7.30pm at The Adelaide Room, Holy Trinity Church, Hermitage, Berkshire RG18 9ST. Annual Parish Assembly, Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> April at 8pm, Hermitage Village Hall, Pinewood Crescent, Hermitage, Berkshire

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.31pm.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Dated \_\_\_\_\_

