# **WOODHURST PARISH COUNCIL**

# Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 6 March 2006 at 8.00pm in the Village Hall

PRESENT Cllr J Nicoll,(chairman), Cllr.C Cannon, Cllr T Huggins, Cllr P.Collins, Cllr. A Marr, Cllr G Street, & Mrs S Firth (clerk)

Also present County Cllr. J Eddy and District Cllr M Newman

#### 114. APOLOGIES AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE

Cllr D Williams unwell PC Hunns and PCSO Vicki Docking also apologised

The meeting closed. District Cllr Newman outlined future plans for the new buildings for the Huntingdonshire District Council. There will be three buildings, built at a cost of 23 million pounds.

County Cllr. Eddy said he was going to pursue the problem at the road junction on the way to the A141. He also outlined plans of the Cambridgeshire County Council to build an incineration plant.

## 115. MINUTES OF MEETING dated 26 January 2006

Were approved and signed.

## 116. MEMBERS DECLARATION OF INTEREST for items on the agenda

There were none.

#### 117. MATTERS ARISING FROM THESE MINUTES

(a) Jointly Funded The clerk had written to Karen Lunn regarding the decision not to make a grant for traffic calming again to Woodhurst. She had replied with a phone call stating that interactive signs must be 50 metres inside the 30mph limit signs. She stated that Woodhurst were not too far down the list and suggested that the we look at an alternative method of slowing traffic. After discussion the Clerk was asked to write and see if extending the 30mph limit was a possibility.

#### 118. FINANCE

- (a) Payment to Cambs. County Council for the street lights electricity and Maintenance has been made.
- (b) Cllr Huggins proposed and it was carried that the Clerk's salary of £700 and the expenses be paid at the beginning of April

#### 119. PLANNING

**06/00206FUL** Erection of Grain Barn at Wiggin Farm. This had been sent round the Parish Council and unanimously approved.

#### 120. HIGHWAYS

- (a) **Speed Watch update** There has been little progress on this matter despite several phone calls. The Clerk is hoping to speak to Mr de Ville tomorrow to try and hasten the erecting of an interactive sign in Church Street.
- (b) **Repair of Road** Highways had immediately filled in pot-holes when problem was reported to them. They are now preparing to surface Church Street and South Street.
- (c) **Seat at east end of village**. The purchase of the seat is now going ahead. The Clerk will ask for estimates for the concrete base for this and a small wooden refuse bin which the Parish Council will purchase. These are expensive and it was decided to purchase a Woolbrook at £199.20 from Orchard Street Furniture, unless the Clerk could find one which is better value.

#### 121. PUBLIC FOOTPATHS

(a) CuttingChurch Lane and Butt Lane The hedge belonging to Number 1 The Paddocks has been started to be cut, the new owners of No.2 are going to cut their hedge, but there had been no reply from No 3. Butt Lane has been severely cut back by the contractors hired by P3..

#### 122. VILLAGE WEB SITE

This was progressing and it is hoped it will be ready as scheduled by Easter.

#### 123 ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

It was decided to try and obtain someone from the Traffic Management Department to come and talk about the different ways of traffic calming that could be used in the village..

#### 124 LAND REGISTRY

Land Registry had written stating they would register Parish Council Land at a special rate. The Clerk will try to ascertain if the Town Lands field and the conservation area belonged to the Parish Council.

#### 125. MEMORIAL TREES

Cllr Huggins had offered two trees to the Woodhurst in Bloom Committee, but they have decided on a different species.

#### 126. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

Huntingdonshire District Council Open Space Survey

Register of Electors 2006 Plat facilities questionnaire

Cambridgeshire County Council Rights of Way

**Huntingdon NHS** Documents of government's plans for East Anglia

CALC Monthly mailing

Care network Working with Good Neighbour Project

NALC Local Council Review

#### 127. ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

None

Meeting closed at 8.56pm

#### **DATES OF NEXT MEETING**

Annual Parish Meeting Monday April 3 <sup>rd</sup> at 8.00pm Annual General Meeting of Parish Council Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> May at 8.00pm