Woodhurst Parish Council

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON Wednesday 8th February 2017

Present

Cllr Alistair Marr
Cllr Terry Huggins
Cllr Neil Farbon
Cllr Liz Bosworth
Cllr Andy Notman
Cllr Andrew Pendered
CCllr Bull – 20:10 onwards
CCllr Criswell

Sarah Mizuro, Clerk

- **131. Apologies and reasons for absence** received from, Cllr Alan Bosworth
- 132. Declarations of Interest None
- 133 .Public Forum A member of the public stated that they had been running a small stall from their property for a good many years and was concerned about continuing with this having read the minutes of the last meeting, which included discussing the safety issues of a similar stall elsewhere in the village. Cllr Huggins stated that there were also large stones or wooden posts on the verges outside several properties in South Street and asked if there should be concerns with these. Cllr Huggins believes that a HDC representative had visited one of the stalls in the village and could see no issue with it continuing. For this reason the Councillors advised that it was acceptable for a small stall to continue. Cllr Notman stated that he had been approached by a parishioner regarding some rubbish which had been
- Cllr Notman stated that he had been approached by a parishioner regarding some rubbish which had been dumped on the Wheatsheaf Road. Cllr Huggins agreed to contact HDC about this.
- **134. Minutes -** the minutes of the last meeting were read and signed.
- **135. Finance –** A report was presented. A cheque was issued to Cllr Notman for payment of the village website provider.
- **136. Community Roadwatch** A presentation was given and example data handed to the Councillors. Cllr Notman proposed and Cllr Pendered seconded that Community Roadwatch should be asked to complete a programme of surveys, providing sufficient volunteers could be sourced. Cllr Notman to advertised on the Facebook page.
- **137 Countryside Watch -** Cllr Huggins reported that more hare coursing had been carried out with police seizing both dogs and vehicles. Several villages have seen daytime burglaries and damage to cars. A white van with a blue stripe was reported to the police, stopped and found to be legitimately delivering parcels, however as the driver was unable to produce valid insurance documents the vehicle has been sezied.
- 138. Planning Applications None
- 139. Abbots Close See Public Forum.
- **140. Facebook Page –** A Social Media Policy has been produced by Cllr Notman. The Council decided to adopt this, Cllr Marr proposed and Cllr Huggins seconded.

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- **141. Maintenance –** Cllr Farbon presented costings for replacement bollards and asked CCllr Bull to confirm if the Parish Council could be authorised to carry out this work. Cllr Farbon to request another road sweep as some leaves are still remaining. J. Jeakins to be engaged to repair benches throughout the village.
- 142. South Street Verges See Public Forum.
- **143. Village Enhancement –** Cllr Liz Bosworth suggested that the funds from Natural Woodhurst were used to purchase village entrance enhancements. These could be labelled as having been donated by Natural Woodhurst and would be a fitting legacy to those who have volunteered for many years.
- **144.** Natural Woodhurst See village enhancement.
- **145. Correspondance** A letter has been received regarding the change of collection day of refuse. A timetable has been put onto the village noticeboard and also the website.

A member of the public has enquired about Freedom of Information and has been directed to the village website.

Cllr Farbon has been contacted regarding a national litter pick weekend. Cllr Notman to advertise on Facebook.

146. Items for Next Meeting – Village Enhancement, Maintenance.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 21:20.