

HOCKERING PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD TUESDAY 13th JULY 2021

PRESENT: J McMahon, R Hawker, M. Darge, Mrs R Neave, N.Blackwell, M Mason, B Higgins.

4 parishioners.

CHAIRMAN: J McMahon

CLERK: Penny Hawker

The meeting was held at the village hall. All safety precautions put in place.

The minutes of the last meeting of 8th June 2021 were agreed correct and signed by the Chairman, J McMahon.

MATTERS ARISING. It was confirmed that the Clerk's resignation has been accepted by the parish council.

The estimated cost for sandbagging the Stile stream was agreed as acceptable but the clerk pointed out that no estimate could be approved without a written quote to support the proposed cost. This has yet to be received. Without it, no work can be agreed, approved or carried out.

This is an important fact that needs to be borne in mind for all future expenses and estimates, she stated.

PARISH COUNCILLOR DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS: these are listed under the relevant headings.

PLANNING & ROADS

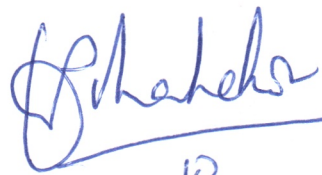
3PL/2021/0464/VAR. Hill House, Albatross Road, Hockering. Variation of condition 1 on 3PL/2020/0049/VAR. Amendments to Plot 3. This application has been approved.

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3PL/2021/0319/F. Land adjacent to Heath Cottage, 24 Heath Road, Hockering. Erection of a dwelling house and detached garage. This application has been approved.

3PL/2021/0561/D Plot adjacent to Meadow View, Chapel Lane, Hockering. Reserved matters application following outline approval 3PL/2017/1520/O.

A formal complaint regarding the approval of this application was sent to Breckland DC and an unsatisfactory response received so the parish council agreed to take the complaint further. A further letter will be submitted to take the complaint to stage 2. The clerk will organise. N Blackwell declared an interest and did not take part in the discussions or decisions.


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3PL/2021/0946/HOU. 2 Leys Lane, Hockering. Single storey rear extension. There were no objections to this application. R Hawker declared an interest and did not take part in the discussions or decisions.

3PL/2021/0808 AND 0809/LB. Overgate House, 85 Heath Road, Hockering. Proposed lean-to gazebo and pergola. This listed building application has been approved.

3PL/2021/1006/F. Land north of 3 Bramble Drive, Hockering. Erection of new dwelling. This application was unanimously objected to. It is a similar plot to one received earlier in the year which was turned down by Breckland Planning department due to it not being located immediately adjacent to the settlement boundary and therefore not constituting sustainable development; also amounting to an unacceptably incongruous intrusion into the countryside. The clerk will make these comments regarding this application to Breckland planning department.

3PL/2021/1009/O. Outline planning application including access with all other matters reserved for residential development of up to 18 new homes and associated works
HOCKERING: Rectory Farm Heath Road Hockering. The clerk has obtained an extension of time to consider this application so that details can be circulated. It will be discussed at the August parish meeting.

A47 Hockering Parish council has registered as an interested party in the application for planning consent by Highways England for the dualling of the A47. The parish council will then have an opportunity to attend hearings and give any comments or concerns. There is a long, six-month timetable of consultations.

FINANCE: -

AUDIT 2020-1. The notice of public rights has been posted on the website and is on the parish noticeboard. Closing date for parishioners to view the accounts is 23 July 2021 at a convenient time for the clerk.

All documents are now on the Audit page of the Parish Council finance section of the village website.

PAYMENTS THIS MONTH:

M Darge. Print and edit Spring/ Summer HQN. £439.00

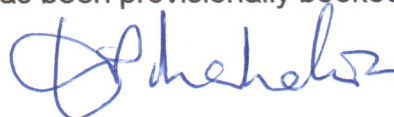
OTHER ISSUES

The Stile Footpath. R Hawker and J Mc Mahon will meet the tree surgeon at The Stile to discuss the work needed and obtain an official quote. The estimate is £700. J Mc Mahon will obtain an official quote he has had for the sandbags of £200 for the council's approval.

Spring / Summer HQN. This has now been distributed. The chairman took the opportunity to thank all those who help to deliver the magazine.

Parish Clerk recruitment. It was decided to prepare an interview team ready for all those who are intending to apply for the post of clerk, now that the existing one is retiring. The chairman and vice-chairman - M Darge - and Mrs R Neave have been selected to conduct all the interviews.

Parish Litter Pick. The litter pick equipment has been provisionally booked for a weekend in October. Details nearer the time.



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Hockering Wood. The wood is closed indefinitely due to vandalism. The council is considering offering a reward for the successful arrest and prosecution of the culprits. The chairman offered to speak to the police about the matter.

Play area safety inspection. This has been carried out and there are a number of items in need of attention. M Darge, B. Higgins and M Mason were elected as the play area sub-committee to inspect the equipment and determine what action needed to be taken. Mrs Neave said she would order extra bark.

Hockering village website. The renewal fee was provisionally agreed, pending the official notification.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Tuesday 10th August 2021. The meeting will be held in the village hall.

