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UNADOPTED

The Annual Meeting of Holt Parish Council was held on Thursday 23rd March 2017 at the Village Hall.

Present: Cllr Becky Stevens, Cllr Andrew Pearce, Cllr Marsha Nicholson, Cllr Halma Hughes, Cllr Robin Paice, Cllr Philip Game

Apologies: Cllr Bob Mizen, Cllr Steve Siddall, Cllr Richard Goodman, Cllr Ian Bolden, Cllr David Cullop, Mrs Jennie Beale (Clerk), PCSO Andrew MacLachlan

In attendance: Cllr Trevor Carbin

Open Meeting: PCSO MacLachlan had submitted a written report that indicated that no crime had been reported in Holt between 18th February and 18th March 2017.

Chairman's Report: see separate item on website

Declaration of interests and dispensation: There were none.

Minutes of the meeting held on 23rd February 2017: These were approved.

Matters Arising:

FP7 Bull sign – correspondence with Wilts Council continues re legality or otherwise of this sign.

BT hedge – (Post meeting note – work to remove the ivy is continuing)

359 The Walk

Election flyer - has been circulated with some response

Housing allocation questionnaire – Cllr Carbin is discussing the special arrangements for Star Ground residency with the Head of Housing Strategy.

Planning Committee Report

APPLICATIONS to Wiltshire Planning

27th February 2017

17/01104/FUL

Two storey side extension and single storey rear extension to 104
The Street

No comment

13th March 2017

17/01663/FUL

Removal of 2 existing lean-to extensions and replacement by 2
new single storey extension at 360 The Walk

No comment

DECISIONS by Wiltshire Planning

20th March 2017

17/00398/FUL

Construction of additional flat-roofed dormer at the front of 5
Great Parks

Approve with conditions

17/00431/CLP

Certificate of lawfulness for proposed single storey rear extension
at 47 Little Parks

Refuse

17/00437/FUL

Remove conifer hedge and replace with timber feather edge fence
at 89 The Street

Refuse

There is no further information on the Tannery Development or the new house
in The Gravel.

Village Facilities Committee Report: The minutes of the meeting held on 20th March had been circulated. Arising from these:

- the purchase of a defibrillator box and key case was approved. The standard wording on the box might need to be amended. There was approximately adequate funding available from various collections, but any shortfall could be met from general reserves.
- two new flat swing seats would be purchased at a cost of £94.90
- investigation of a suitable site for the proposed Pump Track continues
- a new Union Flag had been ordered. Sourcing of a Wiltshire Flag was proving problematical.
- the Pavilion floor had been painted
- the Committee requested that a letter of thanks be sent to Gary Aland to mark his many years as village caretaker
- the Bowls Club have generously offered to allow electricity for the pond pump to be sourced from them.

It was strongly recommended that the pond planting should proceed as soon as possible.

Village Inspection Report: it appeared that not all Councillors had received this report, so it will be recirculated.

Some matters of littering and overgrowth will be dealt with by the Parish Steward and the Village Caretaker.

HSSC will investigate the ownership of the pavement in the Star which has plant pots on it.

Highways & Streetscene Committee Report: Cllr Pearce drew attention to:

- Wilts Council are unlikely to take any action to extend the double yellow lines at the Beckerley Lane Junction. All correspondence from residents has been passed on to them and if any accidents occur they will be reminded of this. The possibility of a wide angle mirror opposite the turning will be investigated.
- It was agreed to contribute £400 to the provision of a dropped kerb for a disabled resident in the Elms. Any future similar request would be dealt with on its merits. Our concern at the long drawn out process for providing this amenity will be brought to Wiltshire Council's attention.

- Provision of a new bus shelter outside the Three Lions will be investigated.
- The need to renew numerous white lines on the roads of Holt will be raised with Wilts Council.

It was agreed that the cost and practicability of a village-based Speed Indicator Device should be investigated.

Neighbourhood Plan : It was agreed that the enhancement of the village gateways with white fences on the verges would be pursued. Wilts traffic engineers would be asked to plan traffic calming measures by the Recreation Ground and at the top end of The Street.

A progress report will be written for the website.

Treasurer's Report : A full report will be compiled for the year's end. Meanwhile, a simple accounting package to produce monthly reports will be considered.

Parish Council Elections: It seems that there may be at least three candidates standing as a result of the flyer.

Correspondence: A parishioner had written asking for details about traffic calming measures. He will be approached to help with the planning.

Accounts for Payment : The following accounts were approved for payment:

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| A. Pearce/Stationery | £95.48 (VAT £15.91) |
| Holt Village Hall/Hire charges Jan/Feb/March | £90.00 |
| Parish Online/Annual Sub | £ 33.60 (VAT £5.60) |
| G.Aland/Caretaking | £ 158.40 |
| G.Aland/Ground Maintenance | £ 247.00 |
| JM Beale | £ 416.51 |
| Remuneration | £355.71 |
| Fixed Expenses | £ 34.62 |
| Telephone | £ 18.50 |
| Postage | £ 7.68 |

Security: Cllr Hughes reminded everyone of the need to check the Village Hall for intruders, and the locking of all doors after the Council meetings, as the building is open to the public during the meetings

Date of next Meeting: 27th April 2017