



HERTINGFORDBURY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF HERTINGFORDBURY PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT 19.00 ON 8TH SEPTEMBER 2021 7pm held HERTINGFORDBURY SCHOOL BIRCH GREEN.

Present: cllrs P. Rochford (chair) Jim Coppard, Haidy Blake, Ruth McDonald, Roger Morris, Niki Gordon .

Public: Linda Haysey, , Martin Jack ,Peter Newsom, Mr. and Mrs Hutton and family, Simon Bostock, Katie Eyre

1 **Apologies For Absence:** No apologies for absence

2 **Declarations of Interest:**

2a No declarations of interest for items on the agenda.

b No written requests for dispensations for declarable interests

3 Minutes were approved with changes and signed off.

4 **Clerks Report:**

168 emails were received to date and forwarded to relevant people.

5 **Public participation:**

Martin Jack informed the council that BGreen stores would like to organise an occasional charity fund raiser for recycling items. It would involve a table with items on the green area outside the shop. Cllr Rochford will discuss this with the owners of the shop.

6. **Correspondence:**

Parking problems outside 27 Birch Green, Cllr Rochford reiterated that it is an offence to park on the Green. Signs to confirm this will be placed on specified areas to confirm this when the Green working party next meet.

Letter of complaint for 27 Birch Green, this letter will be forwarded to East Herts District Council environmental and enforcement department. Cllr Rochford will organise this because the Parish Council is not in a position to investigate this.

Grass cutting letter it has been noted that the latest cut has not been as good as previous cuts. This is mostly due to weather conditions this year causing excessive growth. Greens working party to look into this and discuss options of alternative arrangements and to consider areas left uncut to help bio diversity etc.

Cole Green Way, the poor recent poor surface will be scraped off and covered with a better one. Any future problems, please email the clerk who will forward these to the relevant department. The section between Hertingfordbury and Hertford will close for resurfacing from 12th September 2021.

Grotto Wood , Historic England are interested in preserving the Baroque Garden. Martin Jack will give PC contact details to discuss this situation.

Public footpath change of route. Proposed diversion of Hertingfordbury 10. PC is not in favour of this change, it will reduce the openness of the footpath. PC will respond when the consultation information is received.



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Brenda Smith asked the PC to consider supporting the request for a bench to be situated in Foxdells for Tommy Brennan who was a councillor and has recently died. Cllr McDonald will arrange a meeting with Magda Atkins to discuss this.

7 Public Notices:

- Temporary closing of 3u185 Hertford Order 2021
- Temporary closing of B185 Cole Green Lane/Birchall Lane.

8 Employment Committee:

- a. No report
- b. Committee interviewed two very good candidates. The council will propose and second the appointment on the recommended successful candidate.

8 Finance:

- a Grass cutting outstanding bill to pay.
- b No budget report
- c. No bank reconciliation

10 Planning:

Enforcement order for 3 Chapel Lane. Martin Jack requested Council to write to appeal department in support of owners of property. Cllrs Rochford and Coppard to prepare a letter.

11. Defibrillator:

Discussion is ongoing between East Herts District Council concerning change of lease payment. Network homes have agreed to allow the defibrillator to be attached to outside wall of BGreen shop. Cllr Rochford will talk to owners of the shop to suggest they contact Linda Haysey to ask for advice on how to resolve the current problems.

12. Greens Working Party:

- a. Cllr Gordon will organise contact with Nick Hunt to arrange a meeting for the working party.
- b. Grass cutting – see above on correspondence
- c .Old Coach Road Hedges Foot path between Birch Green and Cole Green are almost impassable in some areas. Cllr Blake had reported the problem in June and so far no response, she will follow this up again. Cllr Morris will email Michael Carlton at Tarmac to request the cutting of the hedge alongside their land.

13. Panshanger Park:

No further update on Panshanger Park.

Items for next meeting

None

14 **Date of next meeting** 13th October 7pm

Meeting Closed 8.20pm