`     **Highnam Parish Council**

**Lassington Oak Highnam ~ Linton ~ Over ~ Lassington**

**Minutes of a Meeting of Highnam Parish Council**

**held in The Old School on Tuesday 10 November 2015**

Present: Cllrs: M Welch, D Davies, Y Watkins, W Davis, M Moir & C Coats

In Attendance: R Hicks (Clerk), Cllr P Awford(part-time) and 29 members of the public

Public Forum:

Q was asked regarding a response to a letter regarding bus shelter at Brimsome

Meadow-this is an Agenda item; Q raised regarding speeding on Oakridge, prevalent

at school pick up times- this to added to January Agenda; Q was asked about the

closure of a permitted way from cycle track; was this permanent? – **Clerk to check;**

Q asked whether a bus shelter could be provided at The Range; Q asked why housing

allocation had increased from 93 to 129; it was explained that this was due to changes

in Service Village allocation; Q asked why NDP had not been accepted yet; this will

be explained later; Comment made that Livestock Roundhouse at Over Farm was

being used for other purposes; also did other commercial ventures at Over Farm have

proper permission - **Clerk to check with TBC;** Q asked whether any shortfall in

TBC housing allocations will mean that Highnam will get more houses; A was that

any shortfall would be redistributed, but that NDP would feed into TBC Local Plan;

Q asked whether we can boycott proposed housing development off Oakridge; A was

to attend public exhibition on 14 November and fill out comments form. Cllr Davies

explained that any application can be submitted, but they have to be considered by

TBC

1. Apologies for Absence

None

2. Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting held on 13 October 2015

The minutes were received by the Chair and signed as an accurate record.

3. Members of the Council are invited to declare any interest they may have in the

business set out below

None declared

4. Dispensations Received

None needed

5. County Councillor’s Report

Cllr Awford reported that individuals are masquerading as GCC and NHS officers in attempts to gain information fraudulently. Updates are going to be obtained on the progress of Devolution. He encouraged residents to attend the public exhibition on housing plans for Highnam, and to leave comment

6. District Councillor’s Report

Cllr Davies explained the current situation with JCS, and advised that TBC have

complained to Gov’t about the lack of progress

7. Clerks Report

Clerk reported that correspondence had been received from:

* Midlands Air Ambulance about a change of supplier for the collection bin
* Glos CC regarding the Local Transportation Plan – consultation dates are shown on the PC notice board
* E mail reference the bus shelter at Brimsome Meadow
* E mail from resident about cars parked on Oakridge, asking if PC can do something
* RBS have at long last updated PC account, and paid compensation for poor service
* Letter from Evans & Jones ref. proposed development off Oakridge

Clerk also reported that he had attended a further meeting at TBC, designed to

improve coordination of services to help maintain appearances of Highnam

8. Neighbourhood Development Plan

A revised version of the Plan had been circulated to Councillors for consideration. M Heenan was invited to update the meeting regarding the Plan; he explained that changes had been requested by TBC; these had been incorporated and the Plan was now ready for adoption. Councillors were asked to vote on whether to submit the Plan for adoption – agreed unanimously

Chairman also expressed vote of thanks, on behalf of Council, to the NDP committee for their efforts in producing this Plan, and in particular to Mike Heenan for his perserverance in seeing this Plan through to completion.

9. Service Villages

Discussion about increase in allocation for Highnam

10. Bus Shelters

Concern was raised by resident over siting of this bus shelter; Licence will be

required from TBC for path extension. A further request has been made for a bus

shelter at The Range

11. Footpaths

Clerk obtaining quotes

12. Halls Car Park

HCCT have indicated that they would be able to make small contribution to cost; A

further quote has been obtained from a local company. A vote was taken by Council

to move forward with this project – unanimous. – **Clerk to start applying for**

**grants toward costs**

13.Planning Applications

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| 15/00409/FUL | Over Farm Solar | Over Farm, GL2 8DB | Further amended application for solar farm project |
| 15/00410/FUL | Highnam Farm Solar | Highnam Farm GL2 8DN | Futher amended application for solar farm project |
| 15/00321/OUT | The Poplars | Over Bridge, GL2 8DB | Outline application for up to 5 dwellings & associated car parking |
| 15/00434/OUT | Fir Tree Bungalow | Over Bridge, GL2 8DB | Outline application for erection of 7 houses and retention of existing bungalow |

Council to reiterate objection to 15/00409/FUL and 15/00410/FUL

Intent of 15/00321/OUT and 15/00434/OUT is unclear, with contradictions in

application – TBC to be advised of concerns

14. Finance - to approve invoices for payment – approved

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| **RBS a/c** | | | Power | | | Amount |
| 14 October 2015 | Mainstream Digital | DD | | 12 | £ 2.86 | |
| 28 October 2015 | Admin Costs | S/o | | 17 | £ 372.49 | |
| 2 November 2015 | Clerk Expenses | PettyCash | | 3 | £ 13.57 | |
| 12 November 2015 | HCCT | 000184 | | 19 | £ 18.00 | |
| 12 November 2015 | Glebe Gardening | 000185 | | 4 | £ 216.75 | |
| 12 November 2015 | Glebe Gardening | 000186 | | 4 | £ 174.25 | |

15.

Unable to produce bank reconciliation – bank statement not received

16. Residual Items

**1.** HCCT meeting on 11 November 2015, when signage, CCTV and barriers will be

discussed

The meeting closed at 8.37pm

Next meeting : 12 January 2016 - 7.30pm in Old School Room

Signed\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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