

MINUTES of HELIONS BUMPSTEAD PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held on

MONDAY 14th SEPTEMBER 2009

165/09 ATTENDANCES

The Chairman welcomed everyone present at the meeting, which commenced at 20.00hrs.

NAME	POSITION	PRESENT
Mr M. Rowson	Chairman	Yes
Mr J. Collar	District Councillor	Yes
Mr G. Moore	Parish Councillor	No
Mr B. Freight	Parish Councillor	No
Dr. M. Lawfield	Parish Councillor	Yes
Mr M. Istance	Parish Councillor	Yes
Mrs J. Catchesides	Vice Chairman & Parish Councillor	Yes
Mrs T. Freight	Parish Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer	No
Mr D. Finch	County Councillor	No

166/09 HEALTH & SAFETY

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167/09 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Mr.Moore, Mr.Finch, Mrs.Freight and Mr.Freight

168/09 MINUTES

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 10th.August 2009 were agreed to be a correct record and then duly signed by the Chairman.

169/09 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

Information: Nil

170/09 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

No Question

171/09 Appointment of new Parish Councillor

At the expiry of the notice period the Chairman advised that he had received only one application for the vacant position of Parish Councillor from Mr. Phil Noakes. Mr. Noakes was duly co-opted on to the Parish Council until the next election date.

172/09 WAR MEMORIAL PLAQUE

Information: Further discussion took place around the surface material **Action:** Mr.Cox to be asked to plant grass as an interim measure

173/09 CURRENT PLANNING APPLICATIONS / DECISIONS

None.

174/09 QUIET LANES

Information: Mrs.Catchesides reported on the meeting with Essex Highways Representative covering Quiet Lanes. Quiet Lanes are not likely to be introduced generally in Essex but there are a number of steps that can be taken to reduce traffic including having local destinations on sign posts and removal of unnecessary signage.

Action: The Highways Sub-Committee to look at the various options available.

175/09 CYCLE SHELTER

Information The Village Hall Management Committee are agreeable in principle to the installation of a cycle shelter.

Action: It was agreed that an application be made to the CIF Fund for a grant providing there is no cash contribution required from the Parish Council. It was also suggested that the shelter be sited at the front of the Village Hall where it can be seen by visiting cyclists.

176/09 REPORT FROM VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

No report submitted.

177/09 HIGHWAYS

Information: The Chairman advised that the Village Green Culvert Works are anticipated to start on the 5th.October 2009. The contractors may need to use more of the Village Green than is covered by the licence and this would have to be a private arrangement between the PPT and the contractors.

178/09 FOOTPATHS

Information: Dr Lawfield reported the following:-

A survey has confirmed that FP21 runs in a slightly different direction to that shown on the Definitive Map.

179/09 FINANCE

No report submitted

180/09 DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Information: Mr Collar reported the following:-

- a) There is to be a review of the Licensing Act with a view to reducing the number of applications.
- b) There is to be a Village Agents meeting on Wednesday 16th.September and Mr. Collar will attend.

181/09 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

Clerk's report –no report given.

182/09 NEXT MEETINGS

Planning Sub-Committee:	Monday 28 th September	at 19.30hrs.
Planning Sub-Committee:	Monday 12 th October	at 19.30hrs.
Full Parish Council:	Monday 12 th October	at 20.00hrs.

Meeting closed at 20.55 hrs.

J. M. Rowson – Chairman

For further information regarding these minutes, please contact: -

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Abbreviations:

PC – Parish Council

BDC – Braintree District council

ECC – Essex County Council

LDF – Local Development Framework

PPU – Parish Plan Update

VHMC – Village Hall Management Committee

Hrs – hours

RCCE – Rural Community Council of Essex

FP – Footpath

EA – Environment Agency

ROW – Rights Of Way