

# HELIONS BUMPSTEAD PARISH COUNCIL

## MINUTES of the PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held on

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> April 2017

### RECORD OF ATTENDANCE

NAME	POSITION	PRESENT
<i>N. Nicholson</i>	Chairman	Yes
<i>J. Catchesides</i>	Vice-Chairman	Yes
<i>S. Kehr</i>	Parish Councillor	Yes
<i>J. Howard</i>	Parish Councillor	Yes
<i>S. Cunningham</i>	Parish Councillor	Yes
<i>M. Lawrie</i>	Parish Councillor	Yes
	Vacancy	
<i>D. Garrod</i>	District Councillor	Yes
<i>D. Finch</i>	County Councillor	No
<i>C. Carlisle</i>	Parish Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer	Yes

2 members of the public.

#### 17/63 Members' declarations of interests

CLlr Kehr Village Hall

CLlr Catchesides Village Hall

CLlr Nicholson the Pub

#### 17/64 Apologies for Absence

There were none

#### 17/65 Public forum

A member of the public came and asked if the PC had registered the land that belonged to the PC between the village hall and Paddock View with the land registry. CLlr Nicholson informed the resident that our solicitors had entered a claim to the land registry, and we've been told that we would not hear anything for 6 mths.

#### 17/66 Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> March 2017 were approved and signed as a true record of the meeting.

The Clerk said when she sent the minutes out, she would put an end date of when any amendments can be made, after this date no alterations can be made.

## 17/67 Finance Report

### Payments

17/67.1	£257.72	Cathryn Carlisle	Clerks Salary	101660
17/67.2	£38.09	E-on	Lighting	D/D
17/67.3	£1.56	BT	Telephone	D/D
17/67.4	£2080.00	AR electrical	Village Hall Heating	101662
17/67.5	£52.00	Cathryn Carlisle	Expenses	101663

Payments were checked by Cllrs Howard and Cllr Cunningham at the meeting.

### 17/67.6 Month Bank Statement and Monthly Budget Form

The Monthly Bank Statement was checked by Cllrs Howard and Cllr Cunningham at the meeting. Cllr Nicholson said that he liked the Budget Form which was very clear on how much we had spent each month.

### 17/68 Clerk's Report

BT change of Contract.

The Clerk has managed to change the account to monthly paying less than £20 per month we only pay extra for calls. There is no answer machine on the phone now.

### 17/69 District Councillor's Report

The DC reported that there is a new committee being set up called the Community Government Committee, which will look into Parish Councils. DC Garrod has asked to sit on this committee, this has been approved.

Chief Executive of BDC Nicola Beach will be moving on to Essex County Council.

DC Garrod has been to the Haverhill Rail and Cambridge Connect meeting about reconnecting Haverhill by rail to Cambridge. This would cost something like ½ a billion pounds to do.

### 17/70 County Councillor's Report

No report

### 17/71 Proposal to install a bicycle rack at the Village Hall

After a discussion of whether to change the size of the bike rack, Cllrs voted on whether to keep the Bike Rack at 10 spaces or reduce it to 6.

The result was to stay with 10 spaces by 4 to 2. It was agreed that Cllr Catchesides should contact the supplier. It was agreed that the clothing bank be moved to a position against the Village Hall wall.

### 17/72 Councillor Training update

Training went very well. The Clerk has a copy of Local Councils Explained for the Parish Council.

### 17/73 Reports from Councillors with Matters affecting the village

Cllr Kehr had been on to the Post Office to find out why the Steeple Bumpstead Road has been changed to the Helions Bumpstead Road. The Post office said she needed to speak to BDC Cllr

Kehr spoke with Sara Cox at BDC, "she said it should be Steeple Bumpstead Road" Cllr Kehr told the Post Office who said BDC will have to sort it. Cllr Kehr to speak to Sara Cox again.

#### 17/74 Highways

##### 17/74.1 Highway Maintenance

It was agreed that the letter need beefing up a bit Cllr Catchesides to redraft the letter to David Finch re ECC Highways, regarding problems with recent road repairs.

##### 17/74.2 Anglian Water Road Closure

Cllr Nicholson to draft a letter expressing the Councils concerns.

#### 17/75 Annual Parish Assembly

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April 7.30 for 8.00 pm it was agreed to meet at 7pm to set up. Cllr Nicholson had received one complaint that the meeting was a Thursday and not a Friday evening

#### 17/76 Helions Bumpstead Footpath Map

To discuss Footpath Map amendments and content of reverse. This to be put on hold.

To asses rational modifications to footpaths in the parish.

Cllr Nicholson suggested that the Cllrs look at the footpaths around the village and see if any could be changed. It was suggested that Cllr Nicholson speaks to Mr & Mrs Rowson, as they walk a lot of the footpaths in the parish and to landowners.

#### 17/77 Helions Bumpstead Village Hall matters affecting the Parish Council

Cllr Catchesides and Cllr Kehr will be clearing some of the paper work out the committee room tomorrow if anyone is around to help they could do with some help to move some of the heavy furniture. Work starts at the end of next week.

#### 17/78 Helions Bumpstead Recreation Ground

As the entrance to the Recreation Ground has dried up at the moment and there is no rush to get this done, it was suggested that Cllrs look at what could be put there to help, either tarmac scrapings, Grass Crete or taking the gate down and putting in moveable posts making the entrance wider.

#### 17/79 Website to discuss having a separate website with a link from the main village website

It was agreed that we would leave the website as is, The Clerk to find out how to enter items on the website.

#### 17/80 Items for information and inclusion on next meeting's agenda

Co-option of a New Member

Annual Report

How to Contact the Police as the PCSO no in the Magazine doesn't work and 101 you just get put on hold.

Cllr Nicholson replied that there is no number for a PCSO in the magazine and if the public find 101 unsatisfactory, they should report online at <https://report.police.uk/>

which is in the magazine in three places or ask Neighbourhood Watch at 730580 or  
[nhn462@gmx.co.uk](mailto:nhn462@gmx.co.uk) .  
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17/81 Date of the next meeting  
8<sup>th</sup> May 2017

17/82 Meeting Closed at 9.16 pm

Signed.....

Dated.....

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