

HISTON ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Minutes of meeting held Monday 9th May 2022, Community Room, Recreation Ground

Present: Denis Payne (Chairman)

Note takers: Chelsea O'Brien; Theresa King

Histon Residents: 22

Impington Residents: 25

1 WELCOME & INTRODUCTION BY CHAIRMAN

The Parish meetings were held concurrently. Denis Payne, Chairman of Histon & Impington Parish Council welcomed all to the 127th Annual Parish Meeting of Histon Parish

2 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Two Histon residents presented apologies for the meeting

3 MINUTES OF THE 126th ANNUAL PARISH MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 26th April 2021

No matters raised, Chair signed the minutes as an accurate record of the meeting

4 CHAIRMANS ANNUAL REPORT

Chairman's slideshow presentation was shared for all. He highlighted aspects covering:

- New ways of working post COVID
- Parish Council now meeting in person
- Recreation Ground now open
- Village events are back – Feast, Platinum Jubilee Plans
- Thank you to the Community, Staff, Councillors, HI Hub
- Thank you to Councillor standing down: Marian Cleaver, Brian Ing David Jenkins, Chris Jones, Kim Powell and Jean Venables.

Parish Council projects:

Environment

- Infant school playing field lease
- Support and progress Abbey Fields
- Renew electricity supply Homefield Park

Recreation

- New fencing Bowls Green, Play areas
- Recreation survey
- Recreation development group

Planning

- Local Plan
- Cambridge Science Park North

New Tools

- New website and email www.hisimp-pc.gov.uk to ensure website meets accessibility criteria
- Moving to Office 365
- New accounting suite
- Committee structure
- New Code of Conduct

5 PRESENTATION OF PARISH COUNCIL ACCOUNTS 2021-22

Paper provided to all showing interim end of year accounts. Full report will be available on the Council website. A supporting item will also be published in the June edition of the Hisimp News.

Question: **S106 income, is this high or average?**

Answer: Chair confirmed income received from S106 is dependant on development within the Parish and this year was higher than usual due to large development off Impington Lane.

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Guest Speakers:

Abbey Fields – Jon Pavey

Slideshow shared with all, highlighting:

- Brought by the community for the community to protect wildlife and provide open space
- Local Green Space designation
- Croft Close set aside is an important Natural Habitat with many rare species
- 220 individuals have donated
- Opportunity for hands on learning with Impington Village College
- A place for the Community to provide calmness, walks, jogging
- Regular maintenance working parties

Histon and Impington Pump Track – Dan Clifton

- Opportunity for a tick box for many wheeled sports, not just skateboards
- Safe place for young people of all ages
- Difficult to vandalise compared to a skate park
- Community group being formalised and public meeting planned
- Data to support reduction in anti-social behaviour
- Facility of the generation
- Plans to explore hire/taster day for the community
- Interest noted from uniformed groups
- Exploring potential village location, no site identified to date

Community Land Trust – Lisette Veit

- Housing need in the villages recognised noting most houses unaffordable to young people
- Interest in former Infant School site as a village medical centre
- Aspirations to meet the needs of residents
- Exploring bringing 'Maker Space' to the villages

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OPEN FORUM

Question: Closing balance is high – why is that?

Answer: includes Section 106 funds, Parish Council does have plans to spend and the Auditor does politely advise when balance is high

Question: Park Primary School – are there any plans for parking to the rear of the school?

Answer: County Council owns the entire site, no plans have been shared to indicate parking provision

Question: 20 is Plenty Campaign, will the new Parish Council support this?

Answer: a question for the new Council to take forward and explore further. County Council driven campaign expected later in the year

Question: following the development on the High Street, the addition of Stir has created further parking problems on School Hill/Park Lane. Need for double lines

Answer: Parish Council are looking to extend double yellow lines as part of Local Highways Initiative application for implementation September 2022

Question: What are the plans for replacing the Pat Fleet Memorial Garden?

Answer: HI Hub seeking volunteers to take this forward. Denis Payne actioned to explore this further and progress plans

Question: Public Art in the Parishes, is there a plan for more?

Answer: currently 25 pieces of art in the villages included in a trail, Parish Council would welcome ideas for further pieces.

Question: What about painting the B1049 bridge?

Answer: Parish Council can explore options

There being no further matters raised, ³ meeting was closed at 8.40 pm