

Hulcott Annual Parish Meeting Tuesday 17th May 2016 at All Saints Church, Hulcott

15 residents were present. Henry Waite (Elgar Middleton Bio Power Ltd) and Amy Hickson (Pegasus Group) gave a presentation regarding a proposed Anaerobic Digester at Hale Farm. Discussion with residents followed about the impact of the proposal on access arrangements, vehicle movements, highway suitability, noise, odour, hours of operation and visual impact.

Minutes of the Hulcott Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 17th May 2016

Present: Councillors Peter Fenton O’Creevy, Heather Green, Peter Holmes, Bob Masini, Ian Pleeth and Ruth Powell (Clerk); District Councillor Julie Ward, Vinny Connolly, Bruce Lewington, Pam Masini, Deborah Roberts.

- 1/83 Peter Fenton O’Creevy was elected unanimously as Chairman.
- 2/83 There were no apologies for absence as all members were present.
- 3/83 Heather Green was elected unanimously as Vice-Chairman.
- 4/83 No interests were declared on agenda items
- 5/83 The minutes of the meeting on 22 March 2016 were agreed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.
- 6/83 Matters arising from the minutes:
5/82 A sign ‘Not Suitable for Articulated Vehicles’ had been erected at the entrance to Hulcott Lane. Fewer HGVs had been seen since but there are still some using that route into the village. To try to prevent this, the clerk will investigate the possibility of changing the postcode for Instant Hedges and getting a name plate installed at the entrance to Cane End Lane.
7/82 The application CM/50/15 is scheduled to be considered at the County Council’s Development Control Committee on 14th June.
8/82 Thames Valley Police will pay for the repair to the green outside Church Farm House. Lynch Garden Services has agreed to do the repair work for £40.
- 7/83 It was agreed to co-opt Bruce Lewington to the parish council.
- 8/83 Repairs to the green and action to the church layby:
A group of residents organised by Vinny Connolly had undertaken repairs to the verges and Mr Connolly had been re-imbursed for the cost of grass seed at £14.52. Mr Connolly was thanked for his efforts. It was agreed that work to the posts will not be done yet.
It was suggested that the parish council purchase a quantity of topsoil to be stored and used for ongoing repair work to the verges. Councillor Green will look into the costs and a suitable site for storage.
It was agreed that a good solution to the damaged green by the church layby would be to install cellular plastic reinforcement to preserve the green in that area. Councillor Pleeth will investigate the extent of the area to be treated.
- 9/83 Finance
- The accounts for 2015/16 and the Accounting & Annual Governance Statements were agreed as correct to proceed to audit.
 - The accounts to date for 2016/17 were agreed.
 - The appointment of Deborah Martin as internal auditor was agreed.
 - Subscription payment to Bucks Association of Local Councils £32.98 was agreed.

- Insurance payment £164.25 was agreed.
- Payment to the church for use of the building £150 was agreed.
- Contribution to Bierton & Broughton Parish Council towards Village Diary publication £15 was agreed.
- Payment to clerk £153.60 & HMRC £38.40 was agreed.

10/83 Planning

- Since the last meeting the parish council had responded to application 16/01053/AOP for 30 dwellings on land to the west of Rowsham Road, Bierton – objection on grounds of housing density; detrimental effect on Conservation Area; unsuitable nature of the development; traffic impact and existing large development underway already at Kingsbrook.
- The pre-application consultation on a proposed anaerobic digester at Hale Farm was noted and the parish council will await submission of a planning application and feedback from residents.

11/83 Any other matters to report

- Stephen Knights reported that the project to install a shed in the churchyard would not be completed by the June 14th deadline of the Gib Lane Community Fund award of £1400. The clerk will ascertain the position for the next round of applications with Grantscape.
- Councillor Pleeth had not received a response from the previous contractor regarding tree inspection and work and will now pursue other options.
- Resident Deborah Roberts expressed an interest in becoming a parish councillor and will be considered for co-option at the next meeting.

12/83 The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 20th September 2016 at 7.30pm.

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