

**HOXNE PARISH COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of Parish Council meeting held on**  
**Thursday 1 September 2016 at Hoxne Playingfield Pavilion at 19.30 hours**

**Present**

Cllrs Edward O'Connor, Clive Baxter, John Brawn, Iain Gibson, Michael Knights, Steve Rich, Rod Searle and Richard Whiting. Also in attendance two members of the public.

**1. Apologies**

Apologies were received from Cllr Potter and Cllr Mayhew and accepted by the Council. County Councillor McGregor had offered his apologies to the meeting. The Clerk was on annual leave.

**2. Order of Business**

Councillors were content with the Order of Business. Councillors were reminded of the requirement to update their Registers of Interests as appropriate. All those present were reminded of the newly enacted Openness of Local Government Bodies Act 2014 and that the meeting may be filmed or recorded by any member of the public

**3. Declarations of Interests**

Cllr Knights declared a non-pecuniary interest in agenda item 7 – Planning, St Edmund's Hall. Councillors were reminded to individually update their register of interests as appropriate.

**4. Public Forum**

Neither the County Councillor or District Councillor were in attendance.

One member of the public raised the question of pot holes being marked but not filled. The Chairman confirmed that the pothole repairs were due to take place around 8 October and complete resurfacing in March/April 2017.

**5. Confirmation of Minutes**

The Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 4 August 2016 and the Playingfield Working Group held on 4 August were approved and duly signed by the Chairman.

**6. Matters arising from Minutes of 4 August 2016**

It was noted the Low Street Green Hire agreement had been amended, based on insurers' advice, and distributed to the relevant parties.

**7. Planning**

a. The following planning applications were considered:

Ref	Location	Application
3494/16	Pond House, Cross Street	Macrocarpa - fell due to its size and it is starting to split at the base and it is very close to the house
This application was not considered due to the lack of information provided. <i>Action: Clerk to contact MSDC to complain about the lack of information which made the Parish Council unable to comment.</i>		
3257/16	White House, Church Hill	Pollard large Sycamore tree on boundary
It was agreed that the Parish Council had no objections to this work.		
3251/16	St Edmund's Hall, Goldbrook	Copse of alder - remove end tree, reduce and reshape, remove ivy
It was agreed that the Parish Council had no objections to this work.		
2516/16	Mill House, Cross Street	Erection of a single storey extension to outbuilding to provide annex accommodation.
It was agreed to recommend SUPPORT for this application but would recommend as much of the clay lump as possible be retained.		

b. Planning Determinations

Ref	Location	Decision
2579/16	Chestnut Tree Farm, Denham Road	Construction of new vehicle access – planning permission had been GRANTED
2214/16	The Lodge, Reading Green	Change of use of Workshop into self contained dwelling – planning permission had been GRANTED
1953/16	Pipe Works, Eye Road	Temporary use of land for the grazing of horses and siting of a mobile home. Erection of stables – planning permission had been GRANTED.

c. There were no other planning matters:

**8. Playingfield Land and Suffolk County Council Lease to Consortium Academy Trust**

The Chairman reported that he had been in contact with the Parish Council appointed solicitor who in turn had been in contact with Suffolk County Council but, to date, no response had been received.

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### 9. Reports from the Chairman and Clerk

The Chairman reported:

Green Street – he had met with Bob Daniels, from Suffolk Highways, to discuss the build out and they would now prepare a plan showing two alternatives. The Parish Council would then hold a meeting with residents of Green Street to discuss the facts.

### 10. Correspondence

The following items of correspondence, previously circulated for information, were noted:

Received	From	Subject
18.07.16	Mid Suffolk District Council	Town and Parish Newsletter – August edition
22.07.16	Suffolk County Council	Highways Matters – Edition 8
18.08.16	Police and Crime Commissioner	Public Meeting Dates
22.08.16	Parishioner	Removal of rumble strips on Green Street

### 11. Financial matters.

**Payments:** It was agreed to make the following payments.

Amount	Payee	Details	Chq No	Power
£383.44	Mrs S Foote	Clerk's salary September 2016	101282	LGA 1972 S112 (ii)
£172.52	Mr J Lambert	Street Caretaker salary September 2016	101283	LGA 1972 S111 (i)
£7.80	HMRC	PAYE	101284	LGA 1972 S111 (i)

### 12. Reports

Brakey Wood and Footpaths – no report.

Hoxne Playingfield –no report.

St Edmund's Hall – new oil tank would soon be installed. Details of the film schedule could be found on the website.

Vehicle Activated Sign – Cllr Whiting provided the latest data from the VAS.

### 13. Matters of report by individual Councillors

Cllr Whiting – had been approached by a resident regarding parking on the pavement between the Swan PH and the Village Hall. The Chairman would discuss with Suffolk Highways and, perhaps, the Swan PH. It was noted that the hedge on the corner of Wittons Lane needed to be cut back. *Action: Clerk to contact Mid Suffolk District Council.*

Cllr Brawn reported that the offer of land for the churchyard to be extended had been withdrawn. The PCC would now look into the re-use of existing land. Cllr Procner raised the question of compulsory purchase and this would be investigated.

### 14. Urgent matters and matters for information. None.

Date of next meeting: Thursday 6 October 2016 at the Playingfield Pavilion.

The meeting was closed at 20.40.