

**HINDERCLAY PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON  
THURSDAY 13<sup>th</sup> September 2018**

Present: Cllrs J Davie-Thornhill (Chairman) Mrs L Aves, P.Rose, M.Bishop, R. Langston,

Apologies: Jane Jones(clerk), A.Hainsworth, L Aves, Jessica Fleming County Councillor, DerekOsborne District Councillor

Declarations of interest – Linda Aves PCC regarding planning for Church WC

Minutes of meeting July 12<sup>th</sup> 2018 – were signed by the Chairman as a true and accurate record.

Proposed by Councillor Langston and seconded by Cllr.M.Bishop.

## **REPORTS**

**Fen and Charity** – none

**Trees** - none

**Gressingham Foods** – Reg Langston A liaison meeting was held on August 24<sup>th</sup> with the new production manager Mark Coulthorn who indicated that the producer was doing very well. It is the biggest producer of turkeys at 720,00 per year and 700,000 ducks, and will be working 24 hours a day over Christmas.

Lorries are also being checked to ensure that they only use the designated routes to and from the factory.

**Footpaths** – paths are becoming narrower than officially required particularly bridlepaths and will be addressed.

**Public Forum**– Discussion took place on the general condition of the roads and that they are in need of attention. The verges in particular were commented on and the frequency of them being cut.

The new railings around the perimeter of the field at the Y junction on Wattisfield road was mentioned as they appear to have been put very close to the road.

The Council could be contacted to determine the exact legal distance from the edge of the road.

Questions were also raised about the new access points that have appeared on to Town House Lane.

Thurlow Nunn are still in negotiations about their prospective move and planning issues but the October 2019 deadline is still in place.

**Village Hall** - a member of the village hall committee raised an important point about the state of the concrete between the stanchions becoming exposed. The posts were also in need of attention in places. A quote for repairs has been received and was £12,400. This was deemed to be a matter of urgency and enquiries are to be made as to whether it might be eligible for CIL funding. It is also to be an agenda item for next meeting.

**Planning** – There were two Planning items which were discussed and voted on and were both unanimously supported by Councillors present.

The financial report was circulated and agreed and Cheques were issued of £90 to Mr Brian Spooner and £313.00 to the parish Clerk Jane Jones

Correspondence included a report to suggest that the number of PCSO's is to be reduced.

**Date of next Meeting** – November 8<sup>th</sup> 2018

**AOB** – Mrs Kate Rose discussed a proposal to commemorate the end of the Great War – November 11<sup>th</sup> 2018 which marks the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the guns falling silent. The Fen Charity very kindly offered a one off donation of £225 + vat, which is half of the original quote of £450 +vat to clean and repaint the war memorial. The other half is to come from individual donations.

Weekend events are to be held in the village hall. Notices will be put in the magazine and on the notice board.

A further agenda item for next meeting is to discuss the painting of the village sign which has been quoted at £200 + materials. The councillors present agreed in principle.