East Halton Parish Council

Minutes for meeting Friday 1 July

In attendance

Cllrs Beadle, Grant, Portess, Pankhurst, Reeves and Petch. Ward Cllr Hannagan

16.49 No apologies received (not sure whether Ward Cllrs Clark and Wells had given at previous meeting).

16.50 No declarations of interest or dispensations

16.51 No Chairman's Announcements

No public attendance

16.52 Minutes of last meeting proposed by Cllr Pankhurst seconded by Cllr Reeves

16.53 Police report – not circulated between meetings

16.54 Correspondence – Rospa inspection – reference to no safety matting around play equipment but this is incorrect as it is the structure that allows the grass to grow through. Noted overall the equipment is in good working order. Clerk to respond to first point

16.55 Highways and Transport- Cllr Grant raised the state of the hedge on College Road (the side of the green). It was overhanging the pavement and could be dangerous for smaller residents. Ownership was unclear but believed to be the land of the outline planning permission considered at the previous meeting. Clerk to contact. Reference made to hedge on Towles Corner which impaired the view of drivers at the junction. Cllr Petch to report/investigate (NB following meeting Cllr Beadle advised the hedge had been cut that day). Also the hedge at Blanshards old property (now believed to be owned by Able UK). Clerk to contact Able as landlord. Cllr reported that the main drain that ran between his property and Able UK (Blanshards farm) had not been maintained since the change in ownership and was now overgrown providing a significant risk of flooding. Cllr Portess happy to attend a site meeting with Able representative on both matters. Clerk to contact and request. Fly tipping at skitter can also be discussed as believed to be on land owned by Able

16.56 Planning – no planning received

16.57 Parish matters – (a) no update on website

- (b) Update on Summer Event TEN received, £100 for 2 bouncy castles (1 large and 1 for smaller children), Pims tent -£1.50 each, tea and coffee, candy floss, putting a notice on green and flyers at school. Request to other Cllrs for assistance on the day
- (c) Newsletter update Chair didn't receive a copy, 250 magazines cost £102.90. it was felt this wasn't in line with budget discussed. Agenda point for next meeting to review costs. Concern will not be viable otherwise

16.58 Next meeting Friday 5 August

16.59 Reports - Update from Village Hall committee – June 16 meeting, assisting with Summer event, they were aware of the metal railings to the front of the hall were down the side of the hall adjacent to Cllr Portess' fence

16.60 Finance – Payments agreed, bank statements still being sent to Chair

16.62 Clerks salary approved

AOB Cllr Pankhurst given apologies for the next meeting. Ward Cllr Hannagan advised we had a New Ward Officer – Darren Uzzell and the role he can play. He would be useful in dealing with fly tipping, motorbikes at skitter and hedge cutting under Transport and Highways. Cllr Beadle stated we didn't know we had an old Ward Officer. This was supported by other Cllrs in attendance

Meeting closed 8.17 pm