

**HORLEY PARISH COUNCIL – MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 09  
MAY 2024 7.00pm in the OLD SCHOOL ROOMS, HORLEY.**

**PRESENT:** Cllrs John Tite, Graham Curd, Simon Attfield, Kate Wythe, Annaliese Hendry, Duncan Raper, Clerk to the Council David Beck. 1 village resident joined the latter part of the meeting.

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**1) Apologies for Absence**

Cllrs Hamer, District Cllrs Brant and Webb

**2) Declarations of interests**

None to record

**3) Nomination and election of the Chair for the year**

Nominated: Cllr Graham Curd. Proposed Cllr Attfield. Seconded Cllr Wythe – elected. The Parish Council Members thanked Cllr Tite for his years as Chair.

**4) Nomination and election of the Vice-Chair for the year**

Nominated: Cllr Wythe. Proposed Cllr Curd. Seconded Cllr Attfield – elected.

**Allocation of responsibilities**

- a. **Finance and general purposes** Cllr Raper
- b. **Highways and footpaths** Cllrs Curd and Hamer
- c. **Wroxton Lane Parking issues** Cllrs Attfield and Wythe
- d. **Planning** Cllr Tite
- e. **Cricket club liaison** Cllr Attfield
- f. **School liaison** Cllrs Raper and Hendry
- g. **Michael Hardinge Trust liaison** Cllr Tite
- h. **Quarrying, Ironstone and scout camp liaison** Cllr Wythe
- i. **Communications and notice board** Cllr Hendry
- j. **Parochial Church Council and Ladies Guild liaison** Cllr Wythe
- k. **Hanwell Developments and potential Solar Development** – Cllr Wythe
- l. **New role - Electronic Communications and infrastructure** – Cllr Tite

All Proposed by Cllr Tite and seconded by Cllr Curd. All accepted and returned en bloc

**6) Dates for Future meetings**

25th July 2024

19<sup>th</sup> October 2024

16<sup>th</sup> January 2025

14<sup>th</sup> April 2025

15<sup>th</sup> May 2025 7pm Annual General Meeting and approval of accounts

7.30pm Annual Parish Meeting/Village Groups

## **7) Annual Audit**

The Council's Internal Auditor was currently auditing the Annual Accounts. The Audited report would be circulated to members of the Parish Council for their approval when available. The Certificate of Exemption for AGAR purposes was approved.

## **8) Vistry Homes Planning Application – Warwick Road.**

It was noted that the initial application was refused with no support from the District Council and a considerable amount of private residents. It was also noted that Vistry had appealed, and the appeal would be considered by the Secretary of State commencing 4<sup>th</sup> June 2024. There was no change in the Parish Council's stance of objecting to the development.

## **9) Proposed Solar Farm on both sides of Warwick Road**

No further updates, although it was noted some archaeological digs had taken place on the site.

## **10) Date of next Parish Council meeting**

Agreed as 25<sup>th</sup> July 2024

## **11) Any other urgent business**

Wroxton Lane Parking issues – Following the new owners not offering the suggested initial site for the forming of a car park, it was agreed the subject needed to be further considered. The Parish Council suggested a non-parish Council Member(s) came forward with a proposal.

Erection of 3 telegraph poles through the village – a letter from a village resident was noted and Cllr Tite had also been in communication with the Engagement Team objecting to the poles. *The matter was resolved since the meeting and the poles would be removed.*

A 'Teams' meeting with Gigaclear (Fibre Optic providers) and the Parish Council had been arranged for May 16<sup>th</sup> 2024. 6.30pm to 7.30pm.

It was noted that following the local elections, the village had a new District Councillor, Chris Brant. At the same time the Parish Council wished to record their thanks to ex-Cllr George Reynolds for his support and advice over the years.

**Meeting closed 7.30pm**