

Minutes of the Meeting of Old Hurst Parish Council
held in The Church of St. Peter on Wednesday 17th July 2019.

Councillors present: Mr. G. Bull, Mrs. C. Bussetil, Mrs. J. Mackenzie, Mr. I. Martin, Mrs. E. Taylor & Mrs. L. Sawyer.

Also present: District Cllr. J. Tavener & Mrs. D. Benham (Parish Clerk).

Public participation: There were no parishioners present.

1. **Apologies for absence:** Cllr. D. Brown (personal) & County Cllr. S. Criswell (prior commitment).
2. **To receive declarations of interest:** None declared.
3. **Minutes of the previous meeting held on 30th May 2019:** Approval of the minutes of 30th May 2019 were proposed by Cllr. Bussetil, seconded by Cllr. Mackenzie and unanimously agreed.

4. **Matters arising from the minutes:**

a) Roads and footpaths –

The Clerk has reminded Highways that the double yellow lines on Church Street need repainting. The Clerk has reported pot holes at the junction of Church Street and The Lane, vegetation covering the directional sign at the junction of Woodhurst Road and St. Ives Road, and damaged gates at the “dead” road.

The Clerk had received an email from a parishioner regarding the footway along The Lane, where it becomes part of the gravel parking area in front of number 1-3 Wellington Close. There are a number of pot holes along the edge that the Clerk has reported to Highways and these have now been marked up for repair.

b) Speedwatch – The Clerk handed copies of the latest Speedwatch figures to all councillors.

c) Upgrade of the Parish Council owned street lights - The application for funding from Red Tile Wind Farm was successful and a 50% grant (max. £1950.50) is available. K & M Lighting have confirmed that only 7 poles and 12 new lanterns are required and the quotation has therefore been reduced to £3375 plus VAT. The Clerk has accepted the quotation and awaits confirmation of the installation date. Councillors wished to note in the minutes, their thanks to the Clerk for her work on the funding application.

d) Local Highways Improvement Scheme 2020/21 – The Clerk had received a number of emails in support of the proposal to apply for funding for a “simple” footpath from the junction of St. Ives Road and the Lane, to the junction of Woodhurst Road and St. Ives Road. The Clerk had also received an email from a parishioner suggesting that a footpath along Church Street should be of higher priority and asked that councillors consider this before an application was made. Councillors acknowledged that a footpath along Church Street was desirable but agreed that there was no room for a footpath at the danger point on the bend and that with so many driveways and farm exits, this would be quite a complex and expensive project. Councillors also agreed that Church Street had a 30mph limit whereas the original proposal was to install a footway along a 60mph stretch of road, that is potentially more dangerous for walkers. Councillors unanimously agreed to proceed with the original proposal. Clerk to complete the application for funding.

5. **Reports from councillors:**

District Councillor Tavener advised that Warboys Parish Council will be installing traffic calming measures on Fenton Road. District Cllr. Bull advised that Engie had not yet submitted a full application for Wyton Hill Gardens.

6. Finance.

a) Payment of outstanding debts.

Cllr. Taylor proposed retrospective approval of payments (1) to (3) and approval of payment (4).
Seconded by Cllr. Sawyer and unanimously agreed.

(1) Cq. No. 000614 - £148.65, Mrs. D. Benham, wages of Parish Clerk for June.

(2) Cq. No. 000615 - £37.20, HMRC, PAYE/NI for June.

(3) Cq. No. 000616 - £150.00, Mr. A. Abbs, grass verge cut.

(4) Cq. No. 000617 – £121.20, askiT Services Ltd., IT services

b) Current position.

A copy of the receipts and payments and bank reconciliation was passed to all councillors. Cllr. Bull checked the bank statement against the bank reconciliation.

7. Planning.

New application.

19/01215/HHFUL Single storey side and rear extensions, new porch to front elevation. 1

Wellington Close, Old Hurst, PE28 3AE. Cllr. Mackenzie proposed that Old Hurst Parish Council recommend approval. Seconded by Cllr. Bussetil and unanimously agreed.

8. Police matters.

The police website shows no reported crime in Old Hurst for April and 1 reported crime for May.

9. Correspondence.

Forwarded to councillors:

a) Weekly Rural Bulletins.

b) IHMC incident reports.

c) Roadworks and Events Diary.

d) Highways Events Diary.

e) Future of Cambridge Area’s bus service meeting.

f) Rural Funding Digest for June.

g) Changes to Local Bus Services.

h) Luminus rebranding to Chorus Homes.

i) Wyton Hill Gardens event flyer.

j) Consultation on the PCambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority Local Transport Plan.

k) Polling District and polling places review.

10. **Date of the next meeting:** Wednesday 18th September 2019 starting at 7.30pm in St. Peters Church.

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