

**Hartest Parish Council Minutes of the meeting held in The Institute Monday 9 October 2006 at 7.00pm.**

In attendance: Cllrs James Long (Chairman), David Loxton, Jo Pask, John Schofield, Robin Oaten.

Absent: Cllr Gough (Vice Chairman), Cllr Irvine.

Attending: Marie Huggett (Clerk).

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**06/104 Declarations of interest:** none

**06/105 Minutes of the meeting held on 18 September 2006** were approved as a true record and signed accordingly.

**06/106 Matters arising from the meeting of 18 September 2006:**none

**06/107 Public Forum:** no members of the public were present.

**06/108 Planning**

**a. Babergh Decisions Received:**

1. B/06/01367 Mill Hill Farm House, Somerton Road – Installation of open-air swimming pool with equipment store – **granted**
2. B/06/01512 – Brookside Cottage, The Row – Reduction in height of Eucalyptus Tree – **granted**

**b. To consider applications received:**

1. B/05/02166 and B/05/02167 Fosters Farm, Hartest Hill – Application for Listed Building Consent – change of use of redundant outbuildings to Class B1 office use – **no objections and stand by previous comments made**
2. B/04/00100 Hillbank House, Hartest Hill – Minor amendment to adjust height of window **no objections**

**c. To consider any other applications received:**

1. B/06/01623 Hartest Pre-school, The Row – Amendments to Erection of new pre-school building to scheme approved under B/06/00362 – **no objections but wish to point out that the building is in close proximity to a willow tree**

**d. Tree preservation orders applications:** none

Cllr Pask advised that there was concern regarding the resident owl and bats at the Townsend Farm Barns where building work is currently being undertaken. The Clerk was asked to contact Babergh DC to confirm if the conditions in respect of wildlife were being adhered to. **Action Clerk**

## **06/109 Environment**

1. **20's plenty Zone** – HPC agrees to the scheme but clarification of signs is required. Cllr Pask would like to meet with the Safety Officer to clarify the positioning of the signs. **Action Clerk**
2. **Cutting of trees on the Green** – It was resolved that HPC will contact Chris King to arrange for the cutting with a cost ceiling of £200. The Clerk was asked to contact SCC to arrange for the lime tree situated on the footpath outside Sturgeons Hall to be cut. **Action Clerk**
3. **Repairs to the Green** – Clarification of proposed works had been received from SCC and all Councillors present were in favour of the project. It was therefore resolved that the works be carried out and HPC's contribution to the project would be no more than £4000. However HPC would advise SCC that they would prefer, for any kerbing work, to use second-hand granite kerbs rather than the riven concrete kerbs as suggested. Cllr Schofield would advise SCC verbally of HPC decision, which the Clerk would confirm in writing. **Action Cllr Schofield & Clerk**

## **06/110 Matters for future consideration**

1. It was agreed that Peter Jones from Babergh DC attends the meeting on 20 November to give a presentation regarding the Regional Assembly and the future of Local Government. It was also agreed that notice of the presentation will be placed in the Contact Magazine. **Action Clerk**
2. Cllr Pask raised the various issues relating to new burial ground and the cemetery. It was suggested that a working group be formed to deal with these issues. This will be considered at the next meeting with work to be undertaken in the new year.
3. It was agreed issues regarding meetings, agenda, Clerk's terms & conditions etc be an agenda item at the finance meeting on 5 December. **Action Clerk**

## **06/111 Date of next meeting – Monday 20 November 2006 in the Institute**

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.13pm.