

# HINDLIP, MARTIN HUSSINGTREE AND SALWARPE PARISH COUNCIL

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## Minutes of the Meeting of Hindlip Martin Hussingtree & Salwarpe Parish Council held at 7.00 p.m. on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2013 at Salwarpe Village Hall.

### The Parish Council meeting convened at 7.02pm

**PRESENT:** Cllr B Meddings (Chairman), Cllr M Armitage, Cllr Jim Brodrick, Cllr John Brodrick,  
Cllr P Edwards, Cllr R Hatfield, Cllr C Hughes, Cllr J Hill, Cllr D Luscombe, Cllr P Oakley,  
Cllr A Thomas

**IN ATTENDANCE:** E Fry (Clerk)  
District Cllr A Miller

1. **Apologies:** District Cllr A Fisher

2. **Code of Conduct & Standing Orders**

**Councillors were duly reminded of the need to:**

- a) To update their register of members interest with Wychavon DC
- b) To disclose any relevant pecuniary interest in items on the agenda and their nature

**Personal Interests Declared:**

Cllr A Thomas W/10/02896/PN Copcut Rise development - Farming of land covered by planning application.

Cllr R Hatfield W/12/01235/OU Upper Smite Farm, Hindlip – Non pecuniary interest, neighbouring land owner

3. **Minutes:**

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held 19<sup>th</sup> November 2012 were approved and signed as being a correct record.

**Cllr Jim Brodrick entered the meeting at 7.05pm.**

4. **Clerk – Progress Report on actions from minutes 19<sup>th</sup> November 2012**

a. **Highways, Hedges, Potholes, Lengthsman**

i. Clerk to follow up:

Highways team

- Request member of Highways team to walk lanes with a Councillor to highlight urgent repairs required.
- Vergemaster marker posts in Pershore Lane were missing.
- Highways maintenance of vegetation on Pershore Lane (Ragwort) was on the Highways maintenance schedule.
- Potholes along Strand Lane, Ladywood Road, on Middleton Bank have been reported to Highways.

Lengthsman

- Overgrown Hedges on Spellis Green Lane
- Tidy Sling Lane within Parish boundary – refer to 4.d of minutes

Land Owner

- Overgrown hedge on paddock, Ladywood – owner established: **Chairman to follow up.**

**Cllr John Brodrick joined the meeting at 7.10pm.**

- ii. **Salwarpe Canal Bridge** – Cllr Oakley reported that bore holes were drilled into both sides of the bridge in mid-December and no conclusive evidence was found for the bridge parapet cracking or movement. Further investigations were taking place and repair works to be monitored along with proposed development of Memorial land site. **Matter ongoing.**

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## b. Planning and Enforcement

i. **Court Farm** – Councillors agreed that representations should continue to be made to Wychavon DC regarding the continued neglect to the Listed Model Dairy Building and that previous papers relating to the site would be forwarded to the Heritage Officer. Item carried forward for **Chairman/Clerk to follow up.**

## ii. South Worcestershire Development Plan

The changes that were made as a result of consultation now require a second consultation; there is nothing in the changes which affects the Parishes. The latest consultation is open until 22/02/13.

## c. Localism, Neighbourhood Planning, New Homes Bonus

### i. New Homes Bonus

The first tranche of the NHB for the restoration of the War Memorial site is now in the Parish Council's bank account.

### ii. Memorial Land

The Chairman reported that the first instalment of funds had been received. Wychavon DC had confirmed that no planning consents were required for the repair to the War monument. A site meeting had been carried out with the Tree and Landscape Office, Parish Tree Warden and Contractor and a schedule of work on identified trees were approved.

Several sections of the original iron railings were missing and needed replacing. It was decided that quotes should be obtained for replacing the fencing with wooden fencing and netting as these were less likely to be stolen than iron railings. **Clerk to action.**

### iii. Neighbourhood Planning

North Claines Parish Neighbourhood Plan has gone forward and have received confirmation of the relevant finance from Wychavon DC. North Claines Parish Council would be in touch in the near future.

### iv. Community purchase of heating oil

A notice was placed in the February Community News magazine informing residents that the Parish Council would consider this scheme alongside forthcoming initiatives from Wychavon DC. **Matter ongoing.**

## d. Trees and Footpaths

### i. Access through Hindlip

Footpath access between the Drive and Sling Lane - route of Footpath No. 555. Cllr A Miller walked the footpath with the County footpaths officer and found it to be fairly well-maintained. Discussion took place around whether the lane was a byway or was access only; to be resolved. **Chairman to action.**

## e. Other

### i. Smite Gypsy Site - Pershore Lane

Horses grazing on neighbouring fields and roaming loose on roads was raised as an issue. It was agreed a request would be submitted to West Mercia Constabulary under the Freedom of Information Act to establish how many incidents of loose horses on the road were recorded in the area.

**Clerk to action.**

### ii. Red telephone box at the top of Copcut Lane

BT has confirmed that the telephone box will be removed.

**No action.**

### iii. West Mercia Police HQ: New lighting

Residents had complained of new lighting installed at West Mercia Police HQ which was causing excessive light pollution to neighbouring properties, all of which are located in the Green Belt. A response from the Enforcement Officer had been circulated referring to planning approval against W/05/00511. It was agreed further investigation would take place.

**Clerk to action.**

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#### iv. Christmas Dinner at Salwarpe Village Hall

Publicity was not required through posters on the PC notice boards.

#### v. Court Farm Safety Barriers

The safety barriers currently positioned on the corner of Court Farm, at the junction of Hindlip Lane and Sling Lane were still considered to be a hazard to motorists due to the close proximity to the highway and that they impaired visibility on the corner. **Clerk to report to WCC Highways Team.**

#### vi. Copcut Elm Pub Fallen Elm

The fallen elm tree in the hedgerow on the left hand side of the A38 travelling southbound opposite to the Copcut Elm pub and just below the Car Sales premises was still reported as being a hazard. **Clerk to report to WCC Highways Team.**

#### Clerk Updates:

##### a. New Homes Bonus

The allocations for the NHB for year 3 had been received from Wychavon DC; no allocation had been received for this year.

The Parish Council could still potentially receive £3,633 each year from the NHB for another 3 years. Councillors were asked to consider potential projects.

##### Update on Progress of Handover to New Clerk

- b. Emails and Planning Applications had been handed over. The finance aspects would be handed over this week. Clerk notified Councillors of her mobile number for use in emergencies.

#### 5. Reports of County & District Councillors

County Cllr Tony Miller informed the meeting of the following:

- Spellis Green Lane was included in Worcestershire CC's plan to be repaired in 2013/14.
- He had spoken to the Duty Sergeant and Duty Inspector regarding overspill parking issues as a result of Worcester Rugby Club matches; owners of cars parked illegally had been written to.

**Cllrs Tony Miller and David Luscombe left the meeting at 8.39pm.**

#### 6. Finance

##### a. Payments since last Meeting

Payments made and received since the last meeting were reviewed and approved (see Appendix 1).

##### b. 2013-14 Precept

Elaine Meredith circulated a document explaining the changes to the Council Tax system and how this would affect the precept in future years. It is anticipated that the funding gap for 2013/14 would be met by Wychavon DC.

##### c. Notice Boards

The clerk reported that the noticeboards, particularly the one at Hindlip needed repair.

It was agreed that:

- Hindlip Board: as part of the response to the Woodside Cottages development a new noticeboard would be requested and be resited as part of the proposed boundary. In the interim period the board will still need to be repaired. Quotes would be needed as the board was in need of urgent repair. **Clerk to action.**
- Newlandhurst board: a new board to be erected as part of the development of the site.
- Copcut noticeboard: a letter would be written to the developer to request a double noticeboard. **Chairman to action.**

#### 7. Planning Consultations

##### a. Planning Applications - See Appendix 2

Cllr M Armitage noted that retrospective planning applications were regularly being submitted by Worcester Rugby Club. It was agreed that the Parish Council would write to the Chief Executive of Wychavon DC to express concern about this. **Clerk to action.**

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b. **Enforcements** - See Appendix 3

## 8. **Correspondence**

Droitwich Sewage Treatment Works Agents requested to meet with the Parish Council; it was agreed that the Chairman, several Councillors and 2 residents would be interested in attending a meeting. **Clerk to action.**

Councillor John Brodrick left the meeting at 9.18pm.

## 9. **Councillors Reports & Items for Future Agendas:**

- a. Cllr Anthony Thomas noted that the banks on either side of the road at Middleton Bank needed reinforcing. **Clerk to report to WCC Highways Team.**
- b. Cllr John Hill requested that the heating be turned on in time for the meeting next time. **Clerk to speak to VHMC.**
- c. Cllr Robin Hatfield requested clarification on the Parish Council's response on planning application W/12/01235/OU Upper Smite Farm, Hindlip. **Clerk to action.**
- d. Cllr Carol Hughes noted that the retrospective planning application W/12/02139/CU for 5 flats at Offerton Farm had been withdrawn, therefore the work had been carried out without planning permissions. It was agreed that a letter would be sent to the planning officer at Wychavon DC to establish what the next steps will be as the flats have already been occupied. **Clerk to action.**
- e. Cllr Carol Hughes raised concern about the increased amount of leisure shooting taking place on Sundays, disturbing residents. A letter would be sent to West Mercia Police to highlight concerns and to clarify if there are any regulations around the times leisure shooting can take place. **Clerk to action.**

## 10. **Date of next meeting**

The date of the next Parish Council Meeting was approved as Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2013 at 7.00pm.  
To be preceded by the Annual Parish Meeting.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.36pm.

Signed ..... Date: 18<sup>th</sup> March 2013

Name **Barbara Meddings**  
Chairman

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## APPENDIX 2 Planning Consultations (16<sup>th</sup> November 2012 – 11 January 2013)

New Applications				
Dev No	Location	Proposal	Council	Response
W/12/02435/PN- Non-householder planning application	Worcester Warriors Sixways Stadium, Hindlip, WR3 8ZE	Erection of green fencing 240 centimetres high including emergency gate and re-siting of turnstile and associated lighting and new light tower.	Hindlip	General observations - Approved
Application Number : W/12/02762/PP- Householder planning	Thatched Cottage, Brown Heath Lane, Martin Hussingtree, WR9 7JF	Removal of existing timber frame glasshouse, replace with aluminium frame glasshouse.	Martin Hussingtree	General observations
W/12/02596/PN- Non-householder planning application	Worcester Warriors Sixways Stadium, Hindlip, WR3 8ZE	Retrospective application for a temporary (3yr) marquee	Hindlip	General observations
W/13/00005/PP - Householder planning	Upper Smite Barn, Smite Lane, Hindlip, WR3 8SZ	Insertion of windows and roof lights to enable use of store as living accommodation.	Hindlip	Under consideration
W/12/02800/PP - Householder planning	Woodside Cottages, Hindlip Lane, Hindlip	Proposed alterations and extensions to the 5 no. dwellings at Woodside Cottages, including construction of a new shared driveway within the site.	Hindlip	Under consideration

Awaiting Decisions – Pending Consideration by Wychavon District Council				
Dev No	Location	Proposal	Parish	PC Response
W/06/02244	Old Forge, Brown Heath	Conversion of the Old Forge into a single residential unit	Martin Hussingtree	Support
W/11/00078/ET	Cummins Farm, Hindlip Lane, Hindlip, Worcester, WR3 8ST	Extension of Time application for permission W/06/00612/CU	Hindlip	Support
W/11/01073/OU	Land North of Pulley Lane and, Newland Lane, Newland, Droitwich Spa (Yew Tree Hill)	Outline planning for up to 500 dwellings (Class C3); up to 200 unit care facility (Class C2); provision of (Class A1, A2, A3, A4, A5, B1a) facilities, police post; indoor bowls facility	Droitwich Town	Object
W/12/01724/PN- Non-householder planning application	Newland Hurst, Newland Lane, Newland, WR9 7JH	Full planning application for the erection of 39no. dwellings, two access points, associated car parking, landscaping, public open space and associated works.	Salwarpe	Object
W/12/01235/OU	Upper Smite Farm, Smite Lane, Hindlip	A permanent agricultural works dwelling	Hindlip	General observations
W/12/02336/OU – Outline Planning	Land North of Pulley Lane and, Newland Lane, Newland, Droitwich Spa	Outline planning application for the construction of a maximum of 265 dwellings with associated car parking, access, infrastructure provision and open space.	Salwarpe	Object
12/000074/CM	Severn Trent Water Ltd, Ladywood	Part retrospective MCC Kiosk retention of chemical dosing unit,	Salwarpe	Support

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	Sewage Treatment Works	associated infrastructure		
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Decisions				
Dev No	Location	Proposal	Parish	Decision
W/12/01984/AA- Advertisement	Worcester Warriors Sixways Stadium, Hindlip, WR3 8ZE	Erection of two video screens mounted to North East Stand.	Hindlip	Approved
W/11/02454/CU- Change of use	Offerton Farm, WR3 8SX	Conversion of existing redundant barn to form new residential dwelling and the creation of a bund (Retrospective) on the boundary adjoining the Motorway.	Hindlip	Refused
W/12/02020/CA	Church Cottage, Copcut Lane, Salwarpe, WR9 0AH	Take down and re-build part of existing brick garden boundary wall	Salwarpe	Approved
W/12/01932/PN- Non-householder planning application	Sundown, Ladywood Road, WR3 7SX	Demolition of existing bungalow and replacement dwelling	Martin Hussingtree	Approved
W/12/01947/PP	Leatherbarns, Copcut Lane, Salwarpe, WR9 7JB	Insertion of external French doors and replacement porch	Salwarpe	Approved
W/12/01951/CU- Change of use	Sterling Business Centre, Drury Lane, WR3 8TD	Variation of condition 14 of application no: W/08/00832/CU - Landscape scheme and details.	Martin Hussingtree	Approved
W/12/02139/CU- Change of use	Retrospective application for 5 no flats.	Offerton Farm, Offerton Lane, Hindlip, Worcester, WR3 8SX	Hindlip	Application Withdrawn
W/12/01993/CU - Change of Use	Land Adjacent to The Old Cottage, Ladywood	Change of use to agricultural land and care farm.	Salwarpe	Approved

### APPENDIX 3 Current Enforcements

Enforcements				
Enforcement No.	Location	Description of alleged breach	Parish	Status
IN/12/00547	Worcs County Council Maintenance Depot, Warndon Highways Depot	Retention of building longer than allowed on planning permission.	Hindlip	Enforcement Officer to contact Worcs CC and request removal or submission of application for retention.
IN/12/00545	West Mercia Police HQ, Hindlip Hall, The Drive, Hindlip, Worcester, WR3 8SP	New lights installed possible breach of condition relating to the type of lights to being used.	Hindlip	Enforcement Officer investigated and stated works are in accordance with Condition 1 on W/05/00511 approval. No further action.