DRINKSTONE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of the Council held on

Monday 3rd July 2017

Present: Clirs Cousins, Hembra, Lambert, Moss, Schofield, Thurlow, Youngs (Ch)

Attending: County Council Ward Member Cllr Penny Otton (part)

Parish Clerk Mr Peter Dow 6 members of the public

17.07.01 **Noted:**

That there were no apologies for absence.

17.07.02 **Noted:**

That when any Members' Declarations of Local Non-Pecuniary Interests and/or Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in subsequent Agenda items were invited, along with any additions and/or deletions to the Council's Register of Interests, none were forthcoming.

17.07.03 **Resolved:**

That the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 5th June 2017, as tabled, be agreed as a true record.

17.07.04 **Noted:**

That there was no correspondence to this meeting not dealt with as an Agenda item.

17.07.05 **Noted:**

- 5.1 A written report from District Council Ward Member Cllr Otton;
 - 5.1.1 Cllr Otton spoke to clarify certain aspects of the forthcoming Electoral Review and Members agreed that thoughts on the issues raised should be shared towards a formal discussion and subsequent response.
- 5.2 A written report from Cllr Hembra as Portfolio Holder for the playing field;
- 5.3 An oral report from Cllr Schofield confirming that cutting and signage works had recently been carried out on the network and that the plaque in memory of Cora Mumford would soon be available.
- 5.4 An oral report from Cllr Lambert regarding allotments from which the Meeting agreed that the existence of a waiting list should be advertised.

17.07.06 **Noted:**

That when any public comment or question was invited on any Agenda item none was forthcoming.

17.07.07 **Noted:**

The Meeting received an oral report from the Parish Clerk, making the following points:

7.1 His attendance at a recent seminar organised by the Boundary Commission regarding its forthcoming Boundary Review provided no tangible options. Formal consideration must await further details, as subsequently furnished by Cllr Otton.

17.07.08 **Noted:**

Authorised payments:

8.1	Peter Dow	Wages June	£158.17	Santander
8.2	HMRC	PAYE / NI June	£118.60	Santander
8.3	MSDC	Bin emptying	£318.00	Santander
8.4	SALC	Training	£168.00	Santander

17.07.09 **Proposal: Clir Youngs;**

That payment to Messrs Heelis & Lodge in the sum of £86.00, reference their invoice HL7070 in respect of the Council's Internal Audit, be authorised.

Proposal carried

17.07.10 **Noted:**

Current Bank account balances and Reconciliation, as scheduled.

- 10.1 The Meeting agreed that the Santander account which has stood for some time at £5.27, being the residue of a fund set up towards assisting with the new village hall project, should be retained for future use against the possibility that another standalone fund might be established in respect of a similar project in the future.
- 10.2 In the interests of clarity, the Clerk agree to scan and email relevant Bank Statements to Members in advance of future meetings.

12.07.11 **Noted:**

Planning results as notified by MSDC.

11.1 0591/17 Construction of a conservation lake

Holm House, Garden house Lane GRANTED DPC Supported

11.2 1555/17 Outline...single cottage...

Land adj. Hammond Lodge, Rattlesden Road REFUSED DPC Opposed

12.07.12 **Noted:**

Other Planning matters for information, to be noted or for inclusion on a future agenda.

- 12.1 The Clerk confirmed that, based on information from Councillors, he was discussing with MSDC the possibility of TPO protection for the mature and significant oak tree on Rattlesden Road opposite Cambourne cottage where there seems to be a strong likelihood of damage or removal in the course of adjacent building works.
- 12.2 The Clerk provided an update on Enforcement issues at Meade Farm Buildings ref EN/17/00097 which suggested that due process looks to be proving effective.

12.07.13 **Noted:**

The following when public comment or questions were invited on any matter of Council business:

13.1 The Meeting's attention was drawn to the recent problem of bonfires at Yew Tree Cottage within the proximity of 2 thatched neighbouring dwellings. The matter is the subject of correspondence with the appropriate Authority.

12.07.14 **Noted:**

The following when any other Council business for information, to be noted or for inclusion on a future agenda:

14.1 The Chairman drew Members' attention to the current schedule of SALC training, including a 3 hr. Planning Workshop, which could be booked through the Clerk.

12.07.15 **Noted:**

That the scheduled date for the next Ordinary Meeting of Council was Monday 4th September at 8.00pm.

12.07.16 **Noted:**

That the meeting closed at 8.47pm.