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9. **County Councillor's Report**

In the absence of Mr. D. Finch no report was given.

10. **District Councillor's Reports**

The Clerk read a written report from Mrs. W. Scattergood stating that she had attended the recent BDC LDF meeting when the pre submission draft Site Allocations and Development Management draft plan that was discussed had been approved by BDC in September 2013 and the LDF were not in a position to change any sites already allocated and therefore there was little or no discussion. The main reason for the meeting was for an update on the representations received during the public consultation and to approve some technical changes prior to BDC full council meeting. All representations received during the recent public consultation will be sent to the Planning Inspectorate, including those from the NHS confirming the new position that healthcare provision for the wider area should take place in the proposed new surgery in SH.

The Clerk also read a written report from Mrs. J. Beavis who reported that BDC had discussed the NHS proposal and it appeared that the NHS desires to take S106 monies from the proposed new developments in Great Yeldham to add to the health 'pot' for the Hedinghams. The technical changes in the amended SADM should be approved by BDC at a full council meeting prior to submission to the Planning Inspectorate for final agreement.

11. **Planning Committee**

The minutes of the Planning Committee Meetings held on 7th and 28th March 2014, having been circulated were accepted in lieu of a report.

12. **Recreation and Amenities Committee**

The minutes of the Recreation and Amenities Committee Meeting held on 21st March 2014, having been circulated, were accepted in lieu of a report.

13. **Footpaths and PROW Advisory Group**

The minutes of the Footpaths and PROW Advisory Group Meeting held on 18th March 2014, having been circulated, were accepted in lieu of a report.

14. **Update on proposed allotments**

The Clerk confirmed that he had instructed Oswick Limited to value the land for the proposed allotments including parking area and vehicular access. Mr. Philip Woolston of Oswick Limited had visited the site and will communicate with the Vendor to ascertain the extent of the parking area, which it is proposed to transfer. Councillors considered that parking provision for about 20 vehicles should be sufficient together with space for a shed and compost loos. Mr. D. Holmes agreed to make enquiries with Halstead Town Council regarding the usual ratio of parking spaces and allotments.

Mrs. G. Massey reported upon the possibility of another area of land and that the owner's agent had sent her a valuation and plan of proposed allotments, parking area and a community building. With regard to the proposed building it was noted that the site is outside the village envelope, where development should not be permitted. It was understood that the owner is not interested in leasing the land and only selling it. The area proposed for allotments is probably too large and it was therefore suggested asking for a smaller area. It was agreed that Mrs. Massey should respond to the agent and inform him that SHPC is awaiting a valuation upon another site following which further consideration will be given to both sites.

15. **To consider request from SH Church to pay for portaloos for Summer Fete**

It was proposed by Mr. A. Prill, seconded by Mr. D. Holmes and carried that SHPC pays £96.00 for the hire of 2 (two) portaloos for use at St. Peter's Church Fete.

16. **To consider proposed blue plaque for Hilton House and contribution towards the cost**

On behalf of Dr. N. V. Edwards, the Clerk circulated information about Dr. John Hilton, FRS, FRCS 1805-1878, Anatomist and Surgeon, together with a picture of the proposed blue plaque for Hilton House, where he lived when young. The design/picture was approved to include the names of SHPC as well as Essex Heritage Trust. The Clerk provided estimates for cost of plaques and installation and also reported

that Essex Heritage Trust had offered a grant of £1500 and that SHPC had received an anonymous donation of £500 making a total of £2000 to date. It was proposed by Mr. D. Holmes, seconded by Mr. A. Law and carried that SHPC makes an initial contribution of £220 towards the cost of the 'Hilton' plaque and possibly more at a later date when the exact cost of the other six plaques and their installation is known. It was noted that Mrs. E. Jones will give a report about the six remaining plaques at the next meeting and must place an order for them by July 2014 to comply with the terms of the grant by EHT.

17. **Report of BDC LDF Meeting on Site Allocations and Development Management Plan**

The Chairman reported that Mrs. L. Waller and herself had attended the BDC LDF meeting on 8th April. Mrs. Massey considered that some of the issues were answered by Mrs. Scattergood in her BDC report (please see minute 10 above). However Mrs. Waller did not consider that Mrs. Scattergood's report justified the position of BDC in the LDF process. Several members of the public, including a Planning Consultant, were very dissatisfied at the meeting with the process. Mrs. Massey reported upon submissions by the NHS and that 0.25ha was considered sufficient for the new Health Centre in SH and that a branch surgery is no longer proposed for Great Yeldham. Councillors supported the Clinicians. It was agreed to make further enquiries regarding the request by the NHS to take S106 monies from the proposed new developments in Great Yeldham to add to the health 'pot' for the Heddinghams.

18. **To consider plaque in Reflection Corner (Grays Hall Meadow)**

Mrs. Massey reported that it was the idea of the late Cllr. Ted Snarey to improve the area around the pond in Grays Hall Meadow. Mr. D. Holmes kindly offered to produce a plaque FOC, which was gratefully accepted. It was proposed by Mrs. L. Waller, seconded by Ms. S. Glen and carried that the suggestion of a plaque is agreed in principle and that the details including the wording on the plaque, its position and installation should be delegated to the R&A Committee for consideration.

19. **Correspondence**

The correspondence received and listed in appendix 1 was referred to relevant Councillors for information and action.

20. **Accounts for payment**

The accounts listed in appendix 2 were presented for payment. It was proposed by Mr. A. Law, seconded by Mr. J. Skittrall and carried that the accounts are paid.

21. **Any other business/exchange of information/agenda for next meeting**

Mr. A. Prill reported that he had attended the BDC Small Business event on 2nd April which was exceptionally good, with all departments of BDC present and good opportunities for networking. Many small businesses in the north of the Braintree District were represented.

Mr. J. Skittrall reported that he had acted as the Traffic Marshall for the Palm Sunday walk between the two Heddinghams and he expressed concern about the speed of passing traffic and that motorists were continually triggering the flashing speed signs in Yeldham Road. Mrs. L. Waller considered that the speeding issue in SH was largely because of a lack of policing. Ms. S. Glen stated that speeding issues in SH will be considered at the Transport and Highways Committee meeting on 16th April.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9pm.

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