



Parish of Castle Hedingham

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NOTICE OF MEETING

Dear Councillor: You are summoned to attend a meeting of Castle Hedingham Parish Council on **Monday 14th August 2023 at 7.30pm at Castle Hedingham Club, Church Lane** for the purpose of transacting the business set out on the attached agenda.

Signed: *Claire Waters*

Clerk to the Council

Date: 8th August 2023

THE PUBLIC AND THE PRESS ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND

AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

1.1. To note with regret the resignation of Cllr Peter Bayes due to his move away from the village. A notice of Casual Vacancy has been published on village noticeboards and the website www.castlehedingham.org

2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting on 10th July 2023

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillors to declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests, Other Pecuniary Interests or Non-Pecuniary Interests relating to items on the agenda

4. COUNCILLORS, WORKING GROUPS AND REPRESENTATIVES

4.1. To elect a Councillor to replace Cllr Bayes as Village Hall Management Committee representative

5. PUBLIC FORUM

15 minutes of public participation. 3 minutes for each contribution

5.1. 10 Falcon Square, currently Castle Hedingham surgery

Update from the new owner on future plans for the building

6. PROGRESS CHECK

Village maintenance issues and update on actions from last meeting

6.1. New Park rewilding area: To note new meeting date 31st August with Essex Wildlife Trust and BDC

6.2. Pizza van at Club: To review permission for the Tuesday evening pizza van sales following the first 4 fortnightly sessions which ended on 8th August 2023

6.3. Hedinghams Parish Magazine: To note meeting planned for Thursday 17th August to discuss options

7. HIGHWAYS & PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY

Update on Highways & Footpath issues and any new problems to report.

7.1. Bayley Street Give Way sign: To note this has been replaced by Essex Highways

7.2. Footpaths 26 & 38 New Park/Pottery Lane/Sheepcot Rd: To consider sending a letter to residents with trees/vegetation overhanging the footpaths, requesting that they are checked and cut back if necessary

7.3. Footpath 15 Station Road: To note a resident complaint about the footpath alongside the old timberyard. Access with a mower by Village Maintenance is unsafe due to the poor surface by the woodyard

8. REPORTS

8.1. Police/PCSO/Neighbourhood Watch.

8.2. Essex CC report

8.3. Braintree DC reports

9. PLANNING

Applications received:

23/01578/HH 1 half storey rear extension, Insertion of 3no windows and new first floor partitions. Replace concrete render to external walls with lime based render

14 St James Street CO9 3EN

Comment due 10th August

23/01765/HH Proposed two storey side extension over existing single storey garage, proposed new porch, proposed hardstanding to front garden

19 Park Vale Close CO9 3DS

Comment due 29th August

23/01944/TPOCON Notice of intent to carry out works to trees in a Conservation Area: Trees 1&2 - Silver Birch Lightly prune/shape boundary overhangs. 1 meter removed Tree 3 Cherry Remove overhanging cherry tree branch to boundary line Tree 3 Bay tree/hedge to face back to boundary line Tree 4 Yew hedge to face back to boundary line Tree 5 Dawn redwood - to remove the lower 2 branches by 1.2 meters that rest on garage roof Tree 6 Acer - to lightly hand prune/shape the crown

Lakeview Pottery Lane CO9 3EU

Comment due 1st September

23/01892/AGR Application for prior notification of agricultural or forestry development- Steel Portal frame lean-to on the side of an existing grain store

Little Lodge Farm Sudbury Road CO9 3AG

Information only, no comment required

Applications determined

23/01511/TPOCON Notice of intent to carry out works to trees in a Conservation Area: 1 x Sycamore - 1.5-2m Crown Reduction

Nestledown Pottery Lane CO9 3EU

Application PERMITTED

23/01393/TPOCON Notice of intent to carry out works to trees in a Conservation Area: SG1 Mixed species shrubs - Remove SG2 Mixed species shrubs – Remove

13 Bayley Street CO9 3DQ

Application PERMITTED

23/01213/TPOCON Notice of intent to carry out works to trees in a Conservation Area:- Poplar (T1) Pollard the tree to a height between 9-12 metres

10 Crown Street CO9 3DB

Application PERMITTED

10. FINANCE

10.1. The monthly payments to be approved for authorisation and monthly bank reconciliations checked

10.2. Street Lights energy supply, New Park: To consider options for energy supply to the 4 street lights. The current supplier Npower (& sister company Eon) are not prepared to renew the contract as it is too small. The only supplier found who will supply a small unmetered supply (UMS) contract is SSE, who have quoted a 135% increase over last year's cost, on a three-year contract. This is a £67.49 monthly standing charge, plus a charge per kWh of 22.7-22.9pence. Current Npower charge is 38.8p per kWh with no standing charge.

10.3. Street lights maintenance, New Park: To note that the monthly maintenance contract with A&J Lighting for the New Park street lights was due for renewal in August for the next 5-year term. A&J Lighting have kindly agreed for the contract to be frozen while the Parish Council researches energy supply options

11. PARKING IN VILLAGE CENTRE

11.1. To note damage to and removal of "Please do not park on the grass verge" signs at St James Street

11.2. To consider a report from the working group monitoring village centre parking congestion, and to decide on any further actions to be taken

12. VILLAGE MAINTENANCE

12.1. To organise interview arrangements for Village Maintenance and Public Toilets operative vacancies. The last date for applications is Friday 18th August 2023

13. ANGLIAN WATER RIVER POSITIVE SCHEME

13.1. Nunnery Street pumping station: To approve a second application to the River Positive scheme with a river and pumping station condition report with additional information provided by Cllr Andy Smith

13.2. New Park rewilding area: The Anglian Water response to the River Positive application to reinstate the spring at New Park will be followed up alongside the Nunnery Street river application

14. COMMUNITY ALLOTMENT

14.1. Progress report on £5,000 UK Shared Prosperity Fund grant spending and next actions to be taken.

15. CORRESPONDENCE TO NOTE

- **RCCE Village Hall Conference.** To be held on Saturday 23rd September 2023 at East Hanningfield
- **Colne Valley Railway 50th Anniversary Open Day:** Saturday 9 September: 10:00 - 16:00, last entry at 15:00. Brewster Centre, Colne Valley Railway Colne Valley Railway, Yeldham Road, CO9 3DZ
- **Community360 & Braintree District Council:** Residents of the Castle Heddingham are invited to share their views at a Community Reference Group, looking at social isolation in rural communities and how problems might be solved. A meeting is being held at Sible Heddingham Village Hall, Parkfields, CO9 3NJ on Tuesday 15th August 1-3.30pm. Contact Community360 on 01376 550507 to book your place

16. AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

17. NEXT MEETINGS:

Monday 11th September 2023	7.30pm	Ordinary Parish Council	Castle Heddingham Club
Monday 9th October 2023	7.30pm	Ordinary Parish Council	Castle Heddingham Club
Monday 13th November 2023	7.30pm	Ordinary Parish Council	Castle Heddingham Club

Councillors:	Cllr Julia Allen	VACANCY	Cllr Andy Deeks
	Cllr Penny Doe	Cllr Will Dover	Cllr Beverlee Foulkes
	Cllr Andy Smith	Cllr Garry Southgate	Cllr Jessica Westrop

Copy to: **County Councillor:** Cllr Peter Schwier
District Councillors: Cllr J Beavis Cllr W Taylor
Essex Police PC James Draper
Neighbourhood Watch VACANT