

HAUGHTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Clerk's Report – October 2015

Planning

Application 15/22923/HOU at Willowdene, Rectory Lane, and Haughton – previous application has been amended. The rear extension altered and new additions to front elevation. Comments required by 3rd November. Cllr Leighton has called this in.

SBC has refreshed the planning application validation criteria which is now out for consultation for 8 weeks ending 28th October. Parish Councils are being asked to comment.

Correspondence

- Minutes of SBC's Parish Forum 24th September 2015
- Members Digest number 212
- SPCA Training Course 26.11.15– Avoiding the pitfalls of VAT
- SPCA Training Course 5.11.15 – Internal audit – supplement to surviving the internal audit course.
- Invitation to Mayors Winter Wonderland Charity Ball 4.12.15
- Copy of letter from Cllr Winnington to Mrs Edwards regarding the A518. Cllr Winnington confirmed that SCC carried out a speed and volume count in May and result showed that approximately 3700 vehicles travel through the village in either direction over a 24 hour period. The 85thile speeds in both directions were 34 mph and the average was 20mph, the survey collected the data over a 7 day period, 24 hours per day. The survey indicated that the majority of traffic is driven within the given parameters and the results do not meet criteria for the provision of a mobile enforcement vehicle however the area is visited by the mobile speed indication device trailer. Further visits of the unit can be arranged and can be at other locations rather than the Prince Avenue junction. The accident investigation team reviewed the 30mph section through the village in terms of the number of recorded incidents over the last 5 years. The data shows two slight injury incident collisions both in 2011. The local Highway team have been asked to look at Haughton regarding improvements in relation to lorry movements. Cllr Winnington suggested reinstating the community speed watch.
- SPCA weekly bulletins – emailed to cllrs on receipt.

The Neighbourhood Highway Team will be in Haughton from 9th-11th November. Please could you let me have a list of jobs to pass on.

I was not able to attend the planning course but Cllr Anslow did and may be able to report back briefly. The Chairman did obtain a copy of the papers for me to read.

I have contacted the Safer Roads Partnership and requested a meeting (joint with Gnosall councillors) to discuss ways of making the A518 safer. I await a response.

I've spoken to our local PCSO's about the inconsiderate parking around the school. They will monitor and advise parents.

Transparency Code

Relevant information has now been posted on the parish website that ensures Houghton Parish Council is compliant with the Transparency Code for smaller authorities. This includes copies of my monthly reports.

Accounts for approval – October 2015

Paid To	Details	Amt	VAT	Total to pay
R Mathews	Salary	£49.61	£0	£49.61
J Cooper	Salary & expenses	£290.99	£0	£290.99
SPCA	Planning training course	£20.00	£0	£20.00
SBC	Civic Amenity 22.8.15	£62.50	£12.50	£75.00
SBC	Clearing of skateboard ramp	£30.00	£6.00	£36.00
JWH	Grass cutting September	£644.00	£0	£644.00
JRB	Dog gloves	£84.50	£16.90	£101.40
Cllr expenses	Stationery	£49.12	£7.83	£56.95
J B Moore	BKV materials	£69.00	£0	£69.00
P Kawaleski	BKV materials	£50.00	£0	£50.00
			TOTAL	£1392.95

I will be on holiday from Tuesday 27th to Friday 30th October. Emails will be read week commencing 2nd November

Jayne Cooper

Clerk, Houghton Parish Council, 23rd October 2015