

HAUGHLEY PARISH NOTES – MARCH 2008

10 councillors and 13 villagers from Haughley and surrounding villages attended the Haughley Parish Council meeting held last Tuesday.

EASEMENT

Following the Working Party's recommendations in respect of Old Street residents (south side), the Parish Council has agreed to acknowledge the easements for individual properties (which were already being exercised) and no charge for granting such easement would be made.

VILLAGE GREEN

Legal formalities are continuing to be finalised with each party's solicitors.

REPORTS

District Councillor – although unable to attend D.Cllr Cameron-Laker had submitted a written report to the Council.

Planning – 8 Fir Tree Lane, Haughley Green. A note correcting previous report – a driveway had **not** been installed. An issue had arisen between the residents and District Council in which he was trying to mediate. Briefly the District Council was not inclined to install a rear access way to overcome the safety issue of parking to the front of the house which was close to a blind bend where accidents have occurred. The District Council would prefer the front lawn being converted to parking. There was concern that this would be unsafe for present and future residents as apparently accidents have occurred there before.

Wetherden Hall Barns

At the request of ward residents the district councillor has been corresponding with the Planning Enforcement Department of MSDC over a number of concerns. Officers are currently reviewing the planning approval and the work in progress on site.

Potash Farm Wind Turbines

A scoping report has been received and a response released to the applicant. The applicant is now aware of District Council requirements in respect of any possible application. Council officers have in no way expressed any opinion on the likely success of any possible application.

School Organisation Review

The purpose of the last meeting was primarily instructional in training all members of the review group in the various misconceptions and vocabulary associated with education in general and the role of the review group in particular. In specific, four brief introductory lectures were delivered covering the educational provision in Suffolk for Early years, 14-19, Special Educational Needs and Extended Services.

Police - Crime Figures for 19/02/2008 to 18/03/08

One crime in the area for this period – a make off from the BP garage at Tothill Services. At this time the crime has not been detected.

Other Problems

From a crime perspective in Mid-Suffolk the main problem this past month has been burglaries to outbuildings and criminal damage to and thefts from motor vehicles - a spate of this type of offence has been in the Tostock area..

Please remain extra vigilant with your security and report any strange persons or vehicles to the Police. Considerable time has been spent in Haughley over the past few weeks and I try to ensure a visit to the village on a daily basis. If there are any problems please contact me – Pc 1415 Calver at the Police Station, Elmswell.

Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinators out on the Beat?

Following recent news reporting in the national press a full statement along with the briefing paper can be viewed via the line – <http://www.onesuffolk.co.uk/SuffolkNeighbourhoodWatch/>

Traffic Calming

New signage to be installed this week.

PLANNING

Applications granted by MSDC:

0557/07 **Haughley Silo, Station Road.** Use of site and premises for general industrial purposes within Class B2 and demolition of silo building.

MSDC letter advising of a Planning Committee meeting on 26th March 2008, in respect of
1794/06 **Red House Farm, Bacton:** Two single storey office units with associated facilities.

POST OFFICE

Progressing as far as the Parish Council is aware. Nothing further to report at present

FINANCE 9 Cheques were passed for payment.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Annual Parish Meeting 8th April 2008.

Parish Council meeting 15th April 2008