

## HAUGHLEY PARISH NOTES – JUNE 2008

6 councillors and 15 villagers from Haughley attended the Haughley Parish Council meeting held last Tuesday.

### CHAIRMAN

Because the Parish Council does not yet have a full complement of councillors (11), the post of Chairman is voted and agreed on at each monthly meeting.

### COUNCILLOR VACANCIES

Three newly elected councillors were welcomed to the meeting by the Chairman – Cllrs G Kay, Mrs S Green and A Salisbury. Mid Suffolk District Council has advised that an election has been requested for the further two councillor vacancies and poll cards will be issued when applicable.

Cllr J Prigg has also tendered his resignation with immediate effect, having given in excess of 35 years service to the Council. (see Chairman's note)

A14 SAFETY SCHEME – **Important information** on work to be undertaken from 18<sup>th</sup> July with completion at the end of August – **see separate notice with full details**

### VILLAGE GREEN

To enable all councillors to fully participate in the ongoing negotiations with Palmers, a Renewal of Dispensation has been applied for. Whilst this application is proceeding the Parish Council has been unable to discuss and respond to any information/queries required by their solicitor. However, the Council has been informed by the Registrar that the application by Palmers for all costs to be paid by the Parish Council has been **dismissed**. The Registrar did not consider the Parish Council had acted unreasonably in any way.

### REPORTS

**District Councillor** – Report to be provided at the July meeting

**Police** - Crime Figures for 20/05/08 to 17/06/08 There have been 4 crimes in the area:-

**Driving motor vehicle with excess alcohol** – **A14 Haughley** Charged and processed.

**Make off without payment** – **Haughley Park Bp Station** a vehicle pulled up to one of the pumps on the forecourt and filled up with £87.44 of unleaded fuel, suspect got back into vehicle and made off making no attempt to pay. Investigations ongoing.

**Burglary other building** – **Rear Garden Shed, Church View** the padlock was damaged by being cut of and a selection of power tools were stolen from the shed. Investigations ongoing.

**Burglary other building** – **Station Road** entry was gained and a set of oxygen settling bottles were stolen along with a selection of hand/engineering tools and power tools were taken. Investigations ongoing.

### Other Problems

From a crime perspective in Mid-Suffolk the main problem this past month has been lots of Thefts and Burglary other buildings.

As always and particularly at this time of year help yourselves by ensuring your valuables are locked away safe and secure. – It has been noted that most of vehicles or outbuildings entered are left insecure by their owners.

**Police Direct** - Suffolk Police's high tech public messaging service. If you want to update your details go to [www.suffolk.police.uk](http://www.suffolk.police.uk) and follow the links to Police Direct.

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**Neighbourhood Watch** - If you would like any information on Neighbourhood Watch, or would like to become a Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator, please contact Theresa Jones (the Community Watch Liaison Officer for Mid Suffolk), on 01473 383388.

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#### **LIGHTING PROBLEMS**

Any problems/faults with the street lights can always be reported through Customer Services Direct (SCC/MSDC joint services) by telephoning 0845 6066067. The majority of street lights do have a reference number for any light in question, and this should be given when reporting the fault. A fault confirmation reference number will then be provided by CSD.

#### **PLANNING**

The following applications were discussed and supported for approval:-

- 1871/08**            **(LB) Glebe House, 1 Old Street.** Demolish Barn & wall.  
**1572/08**            **Tothill Service Station, Tot Hill. Stowmarket.** Over-clad of existing brickwork building with Kingspan Micro-Rib composite cladding panels.

**FINANCE**        20 Cheques were passed for payment.- 9 of which were donations to various organisations such as CAB, Suffolk Accident & Rescue etc.

**POST OFFICE** – Copies of proposed plans for the building were circulated to interested villagers. The intention is for the building to be additionally available for community use. Current plans and possible grant funding for improvements are in the early formative stages although costs were anticipated to be in the region of £45k.

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING**        - 15<sup>th</sup> July 2008.