

HATHERTON AND WALGHERTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON: MONDAY 24TH JANUARY 2022 at HANKELOW CHAPEL

PRESENT: Cllr Chris Knibbs (Chair), Cllr Deborah Robb (Vice Chair), Cllr Rob Tindall, Cllr Katie Clinton, Cllr James Du Pavey, Cllr Nigel Dibben, Cllr Ian Bennion

IN ATTENDANCE: Ward Cllr Janet Clowes, Selina Clarke (Clerk),

21/74 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies received from: Cllr Neil Clowes, Cllr Joy Sansom, Cllr Steve Mitchell

21/75 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

. There were no other declarations of interest regarding items on the agenda

21/76 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

21/76.1 - RESOLVED: It was proposed by Cllr Clinton and seconded by Cllr Robb and agreed that the minutes of the meeting held on 22nd November 2021 be approved as a true and correct record and were signed by the Chairman.

21/76.2 - RESOLVED: It was proposed by Cllr Robb and seconded by Cllr Dibben and agreed that the minutes of the extraordinary meeting held on 20th December 2021 be approved as a true and correct record and were signed by the Chairman.

21/77 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

In accordance with the Parish Council's Standing Orders, members of the public were able to ask a question of the Parish Council or make a statement.

No members of the public attended

21/78 MATTERS ARISING

21/78.1 - TRO ON A51 LONDON ROAD, WALGHERTON – RESOLVED: The Police Legal team have received the documentation from Highways to enable them to fine drivers going over 40mph. The council thanked Cllr Knibbs & Ward Cllr Clowes for their work in getting this TRO re-introduced. Clerk to write the resident thanking them for raising the issue.

21/78.2 - VAS HATHERTON BENDS – RESOLVED: The VAS (Vehicle Activated Sign) outside Thelwells drive is now working although clerk has not received a notification for job number 3410540 being closed. However the VAS at Perk lane has just stopped working and needs to be reported.

21/79 FINANCIAL MATTERS

21/79.1 - Councillors received the Finance report, appendix 6, that detailed a bank reconciliation, budget against actual spend and a full year forecast was also noted.

- Opening Balance on 30th October 2021 was £8,111.22.
- The council has a void cheque 000531 for £17.94 where payment for a land search wasn't valid and Cllr Clowes received a refund. Other income was £0.13 in interest from RBS.
- Leaving a balance of £8,129.29
- Spend since the last meeting on 24/11/2021 is £647.50 from authorised payments.
- Leaves a balance of £7,481.79 which takes into account 1 unrepresented cheque totalling £110.00.

21/79.2 - PAYMENTS TO BE AUTHORISED

21/79.2a - After discussions regarding Donations, it was **RESOLVED** to donate to the local Air Ambulance £200.00. Proposed by Cllr Dibben, seconded by Cllr Knibbs.

21/79.2b - Also, it was **RESOLVED** to donate to ADCA £200.00 who will be working hard to support the local community as the Covid restrictions ease. Proposed by Cllr Bennion, seconded by Cllr Du Pavey

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21/79.2c - Referencing minute **21/63.2** and planning application 21/5478S Joseph Heler Limited It was **RESOLVED** to purchase calibration equipment to enable a sound meter be used by residents when measuring the noise levels from Helers Cheese. Cllr Dibben to research a suitable kit and clerk to arrange cheque, use funds from the Contingency budget up to £200.00

21/79.3 - RESOLVED – the following payments to be authorised:

Payment to	Details	Cheque Number	Amount
Selina Clarke	Clerk salary & Expenses for Dec'21 &	000532	£396.71
Cllr Dibben	Reimbursement for website hosting fees	000533	£10.07
Hankelow Chapel	Room Hire at Hankelow Chapel for meeting on 20/12/2021	000534	£35.00
Air Ambulance	Donation	000535	£200.00
ADCA	Donation	000536	£200.00

21/80 PLANNING MATTERS

Councillors received the Planning Log, appendix 7. There are no new planning application since Extraordinary meeting on 20/12/2021 but the following was noted.

21/80.1 - Planning Application Decisions Made by Cheshire East since Last Meeting

Plan No.	Address	Decision
21/3737N	Oak House, Hunsterson Road, Hunsterson, CW5 7RB First floor rear extension, single storey rear extension to outbuildings and minor internal alterations to Oak House, Hatherton	Approved with conditions 06/12/21
21/5548C	National Grid Gas - Feeder 4 - TX 35 Construction Site, Newcastle Road, Chorlton, CW2 5NQ Development authorised by the High Speed Rail (West Midlands- Crewe) Act 2021 relating to National Grid Gas - Feeder 4 (Tx35) pipeline diversion.	Approved with Conditions 21/12/21

21/81 HIGHWAYS MATTERS

Cllr Dibben updated the council there isn't much to report except a few pot holes have appeared.

21/81.1 - Bridgemere Lane/Birchall Moss Lane - HGV traffic has left the roads in very poor states with a number of pot holes appearing. Three letters have been sent to Highways from us and also some residents but no response has been received.

21/81.2 - Speed Management Strategy Consultation 2021 – The survey closes on 31st January 2022, clerk to circulate the link to all councillors for them to respond.

21/81.3 - Winter Gritting – A number of accidents have been reported since most roads have been taken off the gritting routes. Ward Cllr Clowes is taking issues up with Cheshire East to look at how the whole consultation was conducted, the next meeting is on 15th May 2022

21/82 HS2 UPDATES

Cllr Knibbs attended the January update with Ground Investigations, Relocation of services, Early Environmental Work starting and a 1-2-1 meeting on 23rd February 2022 with National members of the HS2 planning to discuss local issues.

Any questions from councillors to be forwarded to Cllr Knibbs as soon as possible.

21/83 WYBUNBURY WARD HOUSING NEEDS SURVEY AND ASSESSMENT

Wybunbury Combined Parishes Neighbourhood Plan (WCPNP) involves a 5 yearly Housing Needs Survey which is now due.

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It is suggested to follow a similar format as the previous survey in 2017 where the costs will be shared between the Wybunbury ward parishes, then apportioned to number of households. Hough & Chorlton Parish Council will be the guardians of the budget.

The council discussed whether the 2017 survey questions were fully relevant to Hatherton & Walgerton due to a low response rate of 11.7% from the residents.

Clerk to circulate the 2017 to Councillors to check if questions will be relevant to our rural parish for the new survey

21/84 POLICIES REVIEW

All the policies will be reviewed and any amendments will be forwarded to all councillors, ready for approval the March PC meeting

21/85 PARISH IMPROVEMENTS

An update was received from Cllr Robb from the last Parish Improvements Advisory Committee meeting on 06/12/21. No new recommendations were received but the purchase of a defibrillator is well underway.

Next Improvements meeting will be held on Monday 28th February 2022 at 6:30pm, via Zoom, everyone is welcome

21/86 WARD COUNCILLOR UPDATE

21/86.1 - Ward Cllr Clowes updated the council on the very recent Avian Flu crisis. H&W parish is just outside the 8km surveillance but re-iterated the warning to contact DEFRA should anyone find any deceased wild large birds, such as geese and swans.

21/86.2 - Constituency Boundary Changes

The Boundary Commission next stage of the process is due to be held March. A pre-meeting is being organised in early February to identify all the responses together.

21/86.3 - Community Governance Review

The timeline from Brian Reed is that numerical analysis is taking place now. A member briefing is due in February 2022, a corporate policy meeting in March then a full council meeting will take place in April 2022 for decisions to be made.

21/87 DECLARATION OF ENVIRONMENT & CLIMATE EMERGENCY

Carry forward to the next meeting on 28th March 2022

21/88 CORRESPONDENCE SENT/RECEIVED

No correspondence to report

21/89 LITTER PICKING

Litter is a big problem at the moment and making the parish look untidy.

Clerk to order some more equipment from ANSA in readiness for a large litter pick on a Sunday morning in February 2022.

21/90 CLERK VACANCY

Selina Clarke, the current clerk has tendered her resignation due to focussing on her own business. The councillors wished her well and thanked her for her contributions over the last 19 months.

RESOLVED: Cllr Knibbs will advertise the position on Audlem Online

21/91 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

21/91.1 - Clerk requested that the Hatherton noticeboard needs attention as it is not locking fully.

21/91.2 - Cllr Dibben requested that anyone having trouble with their emails to get in touch.

21/92 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Hankelow Methodist Chapel - Monday 28th March 2022 at the new time of 7:30pm

The meeting closed at 9:30pm