

HATHERTON AND WALGHERTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 27TH JULY 2020

Present via video link:

Cllrs Ian Bennion, Steve Boyes, Neil Clowes, Nigel Dibben, Chris Knibbs (Chair), Steve Mitchell

In attendance

Ward Cllr Janet Clowes, Selina Clarke (Clerk)

20/16 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE and NEW CLERK

The council welcomed their new clerk and RFO Selina Clarke, and wished her success in the role.

Apologies for absence received from Cllrs Rob Tindall, Deborah Robb, Melanie Yeomans, Barry Dakin

20/17 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Regarding items on the agenda, there were no declarations of interest

20/18 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Resolved - that the minutes of the meeting held on 18th May 2020 be approved as a true and correct record and signed by the Chairman.

20/19 MATTERS ARISING

Clerk spoken to John Steadman, St Chads Church PCC Secretary, who said that they are still responsible for the churchyard to be kept neat, safe and accessible so a donation would be very helpful.

Resolved – Cllrs agreed to continued donation of £200.00

20/20 FINANCIAL MATTERS

20/20.1 The Finance report (appendix 5) had been circulated with the agenda and comprised of a starting balance of £7,309.18 on 8th April 2020, ending with a balance of £6,842.36 on 19th June 2020.

The income included £118.00 in return fees of ILCA training for Carol Bell, the previous Parish Clerk.

The final balance included a cheque cleared in this financial year for £10 from an underpayment for Hankelow room bookings authorised in minutes 19/59.1 at 27th January 2020 meeting. Also, included an unrepresented cheque for £40.00 for ICO fees. ICO confirm cheque not received as of 27th July 2020.

Resolved to stop the cheque and write another one.

20/20.2 The following cheques were authorised:

St Chads Church	Churchyard Maintenance Donation	£200.00
Chris Knibbs	Zoom Subscription	£28.78
ChALC Affiliation	Annual Fee	£152.64
JDH Business Services	Internal Audit	£168.00
First Responders	Donation	£200.00
ICO (2 nd cheque)	Annual Fees	£40.00

Clerks Salary and Expenses to be calculated for next Parish Council meeting in September 2020

20/20.3 The current spend against budget was noted. Clerk to add in full year forecasts against budget for next Parish Council meeting in September 2020.

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20/20.4 Clerk to ensure compliance for 2019/20 and display Internal Audit and Public Rights Notice on Council website, in line with Regulations.

20/20.4.i - Internal Audit Report Action 1 – Clerk to look back at old minutes and emails to confirm compliance or otherwise for 2018-19

20/20.4.ii - Internal Audit Report Action 2 – Clerk to investigate if we have more than £100 to claim back in VAT.

20/20.4.iii. - Internal Audit Report Action 3 - We confirm set-aside earmarked reserves for Parish Improvements of £2000 that are minuted in 25th November 2019, minute references 19/49.1; 19/49.2; 19/49.3

20/20.4.iv. - Internal Audit Report Action 4 – Amend and sign (Chair) 25th November 2019 minutes to show the correct year for the precept request.

20/20.5 Clerk to progress the change to a more convenient business account once RBS account has been updated to new Parish Clerk name and address

20/21 PLANNING MATTERS

The planning log was reviewed and the following noted.

20/21.1 NEW PLANNING APPLICATIONS:

20/2208/N The Pines, PARK LANE, HATHERTON, CW5 7QX - Garden shed/storage building

The Parish Council objects to this application and agreed to resolve that it should be refused on the grounds of scale.

20/21.2 RECENT APPLICATIONS AWAITING DECISIONS

20/1141N - Chapel House, Crewe Road, Hatherton CW5 7PE

Comments to be noted if approved. Awaiting Decision CG

20/1621N - Moss Gate, Hunsterson Road, Hatherton

Resolved with comments. Awaiting Decision GH

20/1918N - Mulberry House, Lodge Lane, Hatherton

No Objection in Principle. Awaiting Decision CG

20/21.3 APPLICATIONS WITH DECISIONS MADE SINCE LAST PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

19/0046N & 19/0047N - Boars Head

Refused on 13/07/2020 by GH

20/0668N - Broomlands Bungalow, Birchall Moss Lane, Hatherton CW5 7PH

Approved with conditions on 21/05/2020 by CG

20/1160N – London Road Farm, Oakside Barn, London Road, Walgherton CW7 7LA

Approved with conditions on 17/06/2020 by EC

20/1869N – Joseph Helers

Approved with conditions on 06/07/2020 by GT

20/22 HIGHWAYS MATTERS

20/22.1 Park Lane 7.5 ton limit traffic review progress

Clerk to pursue this request, recent relevant correspondence from residents to be forwarded to CE Highways in significant support of the limit.

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20/22.2 VAS unit out of action progress Hatherton Bends

The northbound sign at Thelwells drive entrance on the A529 approaching Hatherton Bends is still not working but Cheshire East say that they have fixed it. Clerk to chase up if they have looked at the correct sign.

Cllr Dibben to send Ward Cllr Clowes the report numbers so she can follow up.

20/22.3 London Road, B5071

Flooding again close to Dagfields, some of the road is starting to break down and more pot holes are appearing so the fix on the road hasn't worked. This is causing the verges to be unclear where they are. Cllr Dibben to follow up with CE Highways

20/23 UPDATE FROM WARD COUNCILLOR

20/23.1 - Signage along London Road, A51, near to Boar's Head approaching from Doddington- a resident's hedge is blocking the view of the signs. Cllr Knibbs to investigate and resolve.

20/23.2 - We are still waiting for the second part of the local plan to be finalised. Results of the consultation have been published and preparation of the final document is proceeding.

20/23.3 Enquired about progress on the streets light on the Boar's Head crossroads as there is a similar situation with a light in Doddington parish. Clerk to liaise with Doddington parish clerk to see if they can be repaired at the same time.

20/24 PARISH IMPROVEMENTS

20/24.1 - £2,000 budget has been earmarked for Parish improvements, clerk to progress agreed actions and report at the next meeting.

20/24.2 – Street light near the Boar's Head. A similar situation in Doddington & District Parish, clerk to liaise with Doddington Clerk and see if both lights could be fixed at the same time.

20/25 CORRESPONDENCE

20/25.1 – Responses have been provided to Clerk from Councillors on preference of home telephone numbers or mobile contact numbers to be displayed on the noticeboards.

20/25.2 - Clerk received an update regarding local Public Rights of Way from a resident. He informed the Parish Council that the FP1 PROW that goes over the bridge of Weaver was due to be fixed at the beginning of April and hasn't been. The PROW office say there is not enough money to repair Hatherton FP1 Footbridge this year. Clerk to confirm repair date.

20/27 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 28th September 2020 – location tbc

The meeting closed at 9.10 pm