



HIGHER HURDSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting

Held at the HOLY TRINITY C of E CHURCH
197 Hurdsfield Road, Macclesfield, SK10 2PX

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES 24th March 2022

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PRESENT: -

Parish Cllr's - Mr. A. Broadhurst (Chair), Mrs. M. Street
Mr. T. Simpson, Mr. N. McArthur, Ms. A. Stott, Mr. J. Nicholas
Parish Clerk & RFO - Mrs. W Carter

1. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr. Mrs. E. Wilson, Mr. C. Fleming (Vice Chair), Mr. P. Torr, Mrs. D. Grindrod, absent due to illness. The Council reviewed and unanimously approved by resolution the Councilor's reason for absence.

2. TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARATION OF INTEREST FROM MEMBERS.

None.

3. PUBLIC FORUM.

None.

4. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS.

None.

5. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING HELD 27th January 2022

The minutes were approved by all members and signed by the Chairman Cllr. A. Broadhurst.

6. CLERK TO GIVE AN UPDATE ON THE FOLLOWING:

a. CURRENT BANK BALANCE

On the 4th March 2022, the balance was £5,118.62.

7. AUTHORISATION OF PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS

Alex Holbrow. Renew the light fitting in the defibrillator phone box housing.
£147.43 Cheque No. 000918. Approved invoice payment made 24.02.2022.

Zach Wilcox. Relay flags at High Fold.

£137.75 Cheque No, 000919 (includes an addition £50 labour).

HMRC Tax payment.

£240.00 Cheque No. 000921.

Hurdsfield Holy Parochial Church. Rent for Jan & March 2022 meetings

£25.00 Cheque No. 000920.

8. PLANNING COMMITTEE TO CONSIDER & COMMENT ON PLANNING APPLICATION AND ENFORCEMENTS.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Application No: 22/0179M
Proposal: Proposed first floor inc. replacement roof, layout alterations and entrance canopy to traditional bungalow
Location: 19, ROEWOOD LANE, HIGHER HURDSFIELD, SK10 2PQ

Following discussions with the H.H. Planning Committee relating to the height, materials, and privacy required to comply with the guidelines set out in Policy DC38 of the MBLP, the following objections were raised.

The property is in a row of 5 bungalows, it is the middle house and raising the roof by approx.50% would make the building line of the property totally out of keeping with the current streetscape.

The proposed black window and black cladding to the property, is not in keeping with the street scene.

The proposed 'bedroom balcony' on the rear of the property would look directly into two gardens and living rooms of properties on Hillside Drive, resulting in loss of privacy. The natural screening foliage (not green in winter) and shorter, would not provide any privacy.

The proposed height would also place it looking directly into the opposite properties on Roewood Lane, resulting in their loss of privacy.

The Planning Committee opposed the application.
Response sent to CEC

Application No: 22/0286M
Proposal: Demolition and rebuild of a single storey side extension to form new utility and day room
Location: Woodend, SWANSCOE LANE, HIGHER HURDSFIELD, SK10 5SZ

The Planning Committee has reviewed the application and has no objections to the proposals.
Response sent to CEC.

Application No: 22/0875M
Proposal: Single storey side and rear extensions and removal of existing rear extension.
Location: 32, ROEWOOD LANE, HIGHER HURDSFIELD, SK10 2PQ.

Higher Hurdsfield Parish Council Planning Committee has reviewed the above planning application and has no objections to the proposals.
Response sent to CEC.

ENFORCEMENT

Application No: 20/2743M
Proposal: Demolition of a vacant pub (A4) and the construction of a terrace of 4 two-storey dwellings and one two-storey detached infill dwelling (C3) with associated car parking



Location: THE GEORGE AND DRAGON, 61, RAINOW ROAD, HIGHER HURDSFIELD, CHESHIRE, SK10 2PD.
Cllr. A. Stott advised this was still a live application and will be called into Northern Planning. No revised plans have been submitted.

Although no official information has been received, it is likely to be refused, as it stands at the moment, as being detrimental to the greenbelt and over development in the area.

We received an email from a resident informing us that the plans contained within the Heritage Statement do not show a kitchen extension at the rear of no. 63 Rainow Road which forms a party wall with the pub.

The resident has asked the Parish Council along with several other people to acknowledge the existence of this building.

ENFORCEMENTS

Higher Hurdsfield Parish Council have received several complaints regarding Mr. Poyser, at the above nursery, displaying retail plans for sale.

It is thought that he does not have planning permission for a retail operation selling imported plants for resale, the nursery can only sell plants grown from seedlings. The CEC Planning Enforcement Dept. have been advised.

43-47 Rainow Road, Higher Hurdsfield.

The Enforcement Officer at CEC has spoken with the owner of the property and is under the impression that an application for the changes made is to be submitted shortly. The owner has experienced some difficulties which has caused delays. No further progress has been made.

February 2022 update Enforcement Cheshire East

Quote "With reference to 43, Rainow Road I am in fairly regular contact with the owner and last heard from him in December where he advised he is in the process of submitting a further retrospective application however I understand that there delays in this process".

ACTION: A further update requested, the Clerk to follow up.

51 Rainow Road, Higher Hurdsfield.

Case Reference: 21/00200E Nature of problem: Installation of Velux roof windows Location: 51, RAINOW ROAD, HIGHER HURDSFIELD, CHESHIRE, SK10 2PD

The case has been designated as Priority 3 in accordance with the adopted Planning Enforcement Protocol. They aim to conduct the initial site visit within 15 working days of the date they received our enquiry. Date complaint received: 05-Mar-2021. No further progress has been made.

February 2022 update

Quote "I can confirm that I have been out to 51, Rainow Road again, but I am struggling to get hold of the owner. I will continue with this endeavour and if I don't hear back from them soon then I will further discuss this with my manager as to how we should proceed further".

ACTION: A further update requested, the Clerk to follow up.

9. REVIEW AND DISTRIBUTE CORRESPONDENCE.

Resident querying 18% increase in precept.

ACTION: The Clerk to reply with explanation.

10. PCSO 23538 ALEX CAMENZULI, REPLACEMENT.

Alex left his placement with us on the 11th March 2022 to start his Police Constable training. Our replacement is PCSO Adam Entwistle Email address: Adam.Entwistle@cheshire.police.uk. The Clerk has made contact and invited him to our next meeting in April 2022.

An increase in speeding wagons to be discussed with our PCSO at the next meeting.

11. LOWER FOLD FARM, "KEEP CLEAR" LINES REQUIRED.

John Denwood raised the job and sent it through however their programmed works have taken a hit due to clearing up after the storms a couple of weeks ago.

He should know within the next few days and will let you know ASAP.

ACTION: The Clerk to follow up.

12. HIGHER FOLD

a. Private Road Plannings

Ongoing, Cllr. P. Torr will order when the time is right.

b. Unseated Flag Stones.

This work has been completed, there was an additional cost of £50 due to more flags requiring bedding than previously thought which has been approved by the Council.

13, CLIFF LANE

a. Road Condition.

Cliff Lane is on the list for carriageway improvements and minor drainage improvements. Highways are still waiting to see if we have enough funding in the coming financial year to see if this can be picked up on the programme.

The Councillors agreed that it would help if the gullies were emptied, they are blocked solid.

ACTION: The Clerk to put in a request to Highways.

b. Trees being cut down

A concerned resident reported the lower branches of the trees were being lopped off, and smaller species may have been removed. at the top of the bank above the George and Dragon. He requested we write to every house on Cliff Lane pointing out that any work on trees within a conservation area requires permission from the council.

Enquiries were made and only a couple of residents have removed branches encroaching on their property, which is allowed. There is a ladder in one of the trees but we cannot find out who owns it.

ACTION: Councillors who reside on Cliff Lane to make further enquiries.

14. WELL LANE ROAD CONDITION.

A pot hole inspection was carried out on 15th February, 10 defects were repaired on 19th February. John Denwood has checked the jobs and all of them have completion pictures on them.



He also checked the system and there are no outstanding potholes reports and advises that if more pot holes have developed due to bad weather residents should report through them using the online report it tool.

Well Lane has been identified for possible inclusion in a future programme of works for resurfacing. However, it is not on any current programme, the definitive list for 2022-23 is still yet to be decided and published. We will not know if there is anything substantial planned until the programme has been signed off.

15. ROEWOOD LANE – Reported Pot Holes.

Cllr. T. Simpson reported several potholes in the Roewood Lane area on the Highways website, giving details and the locations. The response and outcome was not satisfactory.

ACTION: Cllr. T. Simpson to forward details to Cllr. A. Stott who will look into the matter when the new Quality Control Officer has been appointed.

16. SPEED MANAGEMENT STRATEGY. – SIDS.

No further updates.

ACTION: Cllr. A. Stott will email the Clerk when further information is available.

17. HHPC WEBSITE

Has been out of action but is now up and running.

18. PARISH COUNCIL NEWS LETTER.

Cllr. N. McArthur volunteered to redraft the newsletter.

Suggested items for the newsletter include the successes of the Council: -
New Bench and clean up of the bus stop.

The bench seating area maintained for the benefit of the residents.

Monitor development applied for in the area to ensure we are not over developed etc.

Continue to work hard on obtaining an outcome for the George and Dragon.

We will wait to send out the newsletter until we have decided on Jubilee Celebrations.

19. HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS IN JUNE 2022.

Following Cllr. T. Simpson's initial contact, the Chairman has met with the Landlady of the Three Crowns to discuss joining forces to organize the celebration for Saturday 4th June 2022 at Higher Fold.

The Landlady was happy to close the pub and supply food and drink at Higher Fold. The type of food etc. to be decided.

The residents would also have the option to bring their own food, drink and blankets for a picnic in the recreation ground.

ACTION:

The Chairman to discuss cost with the landlady.

Ask the Post Office if they would advertise.

The Chairman suggested we decorate the bus shelter with bunting and appropriately plant the tub at Higher Fold with red, blue and white plants.



The Clerk has applied for a license from CEC for permission to use the carpark and recreation area at Higher Fold. We were advised to avoid bouncing castles.

ACTION: The Clerk to:-
Check the Insurance requirements.
Apply for the £120 funding.
Look into the cost of Porta loos

Other ideas discussed, to be taken forward by the Councillors where necessary.

- Can some cover be provided?
- Music.
- Entertainment.
- Advertising.
- Stalls
- Would the Random Apple Co. be interested in providing a stall?

THE MEETING ENDED APPROX 7pm
NEXT MEETING THURSDAY 28th APRIL 2022

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