



HIGHER HURDSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

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PARISH CLERK Wendy Carter.

HIGHER HURDSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

27th July 2023.

PRESENT:-

Mr. A. Broadhurst, Mr. C. Fleming, Mr. P. Torr, Mr. T. Simpson,

Mr. N. McArthur, Mrs. D. Grindrod

Ward Cllrs. Mr. K. Edwards, Mr. J. Place.

One Resident.

1) TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

The Cllrs. approved by resolution, the reasons for absence – Illness - Mr. P. Keep. Mrs. M. Street

2) TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FROM MEMBERS. None.

3) PUBLIC FORUM. None.

4) CHAIRPERSON'S ANNOUNCEMENTS. None.

5) MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING HELD 11TH May 2023 TO BE APPROVED BY ALL MEMBERS AND SIGNED BY THE CHAIR.

The minutes were approved and signed by the Chairman.

6) CLERK TO GIVE AN UPDATE ON THE FOLLOWING

a. Current bank balance

Balance on the 5th July 2023, £5,482.55

b. New .gov email addresses for all councillors.

4GB of space.

ACTION: Clerk to obtain setup details for Chrome;

c. Audit Report –

No issues arising – a robust set of books and records has been throughout the financial year and all internal control objectives were met.

7) AUTHORISATION OF PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS.

Zurich Municipal Insurance Chq. No 000952 £241.00

Defibstore Ltd. New Pads –Chq. No. 000953 £80.40. – NOT SIGNED.
The defibrillator has corrected itself.

Wingnut Website Hosting £150. Email accounts £20.
Chq. No. 000954 £170.00.

JDH Business Services – Internal Audit Chq, No. 000955 £246.00

8) PLANNING COMMITTEE TO CONSIDER & COMMENT ON PLANNING APPLICATIONS, ENFORCEMENTS AND DECISIONS.

a. Application no. 20/2743M George & Dragon Public House.

Appeal No. APP/R0660/W/23/33/3319660

The appeal was dismissed 27.07.2023.

ACTION: Clerk to enquire if a further appeal can be made or can the enforcement now go ahead.

b. Risk of theft of materials at the above premises.

The Clerk has emailed CEC Enforcement to advise them of the break in, the high risk of theft of materials and the involvement of the police.

c. Enforcement No. 20/00480E 43-47 Rainow Road.

A letter has been sent to Planning Enforcement outlining our grievances and asking for replies to our outstanding questions.

d. 23/2373M Proposed Telecommunications Installation at Woodend Farm.

The Planning Committee's objections to this proposal were submitted to CEC.
Decision target date 16th August 2023.

9) OUTBUILDING ERECTED ON ROEWOOD LANE.

T. Simpson has made a complaint to the Planning Dept. as a private resident.

ACTION: T. Simpson to email details to the Clerk.

10) REVIEW AND DISTRIBUTE CORRESPONDENCE

Cheshire East UKSPF – Update – Notification of call out for additional project proposals.
The Parish Council to ask Cllr. Ken Edwards how our Parish can benefit.

11) PCSO LORCAN CANNARD'S REPORT.

Higher Hurdsfield Crime Report for June 2023.

01/06 – Highway disruption = 4 vehicles parked at junction of Hillside Drive and Roewood Lane.

02/06 – Burglary Dwelling = Officers investigation suspects that this was housing that attended to change the locks on the property. No evidence to suggest a burglary has occurred and entry was lawfully gained. Crime investigated as far as reasonably possible. Case closed pending further investigation. Telford Close, Higher Hurdsfield.

07/06 – Suspicious Activity = Caller reporting a burnt-out motorbike. Well Lane, Higher Hurdsfield.

13/06 – Criminal damage to motor vehicle = Suspect(s) have slashed the rear tyre of a car leaving a 20mm piece of Stanley knife blade imbedded in it. Rainow Rd.

23/06 – Suspicious person = blue Audi parked up outside derelict George and Dragon public house two nights in a row. Driver has his engine running and waits for another car to arrive. Driver of second car gets out and speaks to the driver then both drive off.

12) CLIFF LANE

a. Reported pot holes and wall.

The extensive work required to repair the road needs more funding.

16th May – Jet and gully emptying carried out.

20th June – Fixed actionable defects with hot tarmac. If more defects appear we should report them on line to IRU Inspector to check.

ACTION: The Clerk to ask why some marked pot holes were not filled in and how we could apply for access only on Cliff Lane.

ACTION: Cllr. Edward and Cllr. Fleming to visit the area to see the problems first hand.

b. Refuse bins are not being emptied at allocated times.

Five times the black bins have not been collected. In the hot weather the bins were smelling badly.

ACTION: Cllr. Grindrod to email the Clerk details, who will then write to CEC.

c. Anti-social behaviour – noise.

ACTION: Cllr. Grindrod to email the Clerk details, who will then write to Peaks and Plains Housing Trust.

13) ROEWOOD LANE.

a. Program date for repairs - Vehicle collision damage to wall and signage.

John Denwood is still waiting for a programme date. The clerk has informed Highways of the loose coping stones on the damaged stonework.

ACTION: Clerk to enquire why the work has not been programmed and request a date for the wall to be repaired.

b. Parking issues

Vehicles parked on Roewood lane close to a junction, are restricting the width of the road for oncoming vehicles causing many problems.

Sgt Helen Percival has arranged patrols on Roewood Lane to enforce the no parking within a 10-metre distance of a junction rule. Perpetrators will be ticketed.

The main problem is, there is nowhere for the cars to park. A helpful local resident has asked Peaks & Plains if the grassed area in front of the properties could be converted into a parking area, but costs and underground services in this area, are a problem.

There may be an area that one parking place could be constructed for a resident blue badge holder who is really struggling.

ACTION: The Clerk to write to Peaks and Plains Housing Trust to put the proposal forward.

14)WELL LANE, LARGE WAGONS, DEMOLISHED WALLS.

Ref. No. 3452223. An assessment for a size limit restriction sign for vehicles Telecon.

CEC Will not take any action because there are no reports of injuries and vehicles have the right to access lanes with no restrictions on them.

The Clerk has asked again, for any kind of warning sign to let large vehicles know at the end of the lane, the road changes to single lane width, has tight bends and a steep slope which will physically not let them negotiate the road without damage.

ACTION: Cllr. Edward and Cllr. Fleming to visit the area to see the problems first hand.

15) DEFIRILLATOR MAINTENANCE REQUIRED.

ACTION: Clerk to email supplier to ask them to check the pads are working correctly.

16)MILESTONE DEFACED

The milestone, a grade II listed structure, has been vandalised. Bee Dubhs Vintage painted their company name on the face of the milestone, and used a photo of it as a logo on their online company trading through Depop website, a branch of Etsy.

The graffiti has now been removed; the cost not yet know.

The milestone will still be the responsibility of Cheshire East council as Highway authority. Under the Highways Act 1980 section 131 it is an offence to deface a milestone.

ACTION: The Clerk to arrange for Depop to be contacted, to obtain the address of Bee Dubhs Vintage, with a view to telling them they have committed an offence, asking them to remove the photo from their website and to request compensation for the cost of removing the graffiti.

17)THE DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING: - *August 24th 2023*

Future Meeting will be held on the following provisional dates: -

September 21st 2023, October 26th 2023, November 30th 2023, December 21st 2023

The meeting ended approx.. 7pm.

Wendy Carter, Parish Clerk & RFO.

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