



HIGHER HURDSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

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PARISH CLERK Wendy Carter.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 21st December 2023.

DRAFT MINUTES

PRESENT:-

Cllrs. Mr. A. Broadhurst, Mr. C. Fleming, Mrs. M. Street,
Mr. P. Torr, Mr. T. Simpson, Mr. N. McArthur, Mrs. D. Grindrod,
Ward Cllrs. Mr. K. Edwards, Mr. J. Place

Two welcomed members of the public.

1) TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

The Cllrs. to approved by resolution, the reasons for absence - Mr. P. Keep

2) TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FROM MEMBERS.

3) PUBLIC FORUM.

None

4) CHAIRPERSON'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The Council reluctantly accepted Cllr. Tim Simpsons resignation due to work commitments and thanked him for all the work he had undertaken.
- The Chairman will remain in office.
- The Clerked confirmed her employment will cease at the end of January 2024. Everyone thanked the Clerk for the work she had carried out for over 16 years. The Parish Council approved the appropriate provision for the payment of a gratuity of 3 months salary.

5) MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING HELD 30th November 2023 WERE APPROVED BY ALL MEMBERS AND SIGNED BY THE CHAIR.

6) CLERK TO GIVE AN UPDATE ON THE FOLLOWING

- a. **Current bank balance** on the 3rd Nov. 2023, was £6,462.36, the statement arrived late and was not available during the last meeting.

The current bank balance on the 5th December 2023 was £6,462.36.

- b. **Precept** – Financial information previously issued to the councillors by the clerk, was discussed in depth. The Precept request is to be £7.500

- c. **General** - 4 SIDs on Prestbury Road are to be replaced by CEC Highways and one SID has been offered to the Parish, subject to approval of the location.

ACTION: Cllr. T. Simpson to provide a copy of the offer.

7) AUTHORISATION OF ACCOUNTS

HMRC - Income tax payment due 5th Jan.2024

Cheque. No. 000961 Total £240

W. Carter Expenses from Jan.2023 to Dec. 2023 12 months

Mileage to meeting and putting notice on boards. 5x£13.52= £67.60

Pay as you go calls 12months x £5= £60.00

Working at Home Allowance April 2023 to January 2024

10 months x £26= £260.00

Total £387.60

Cheque No.000962

Approved by the Council.

8) 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.

A theft occurred, 2 men arrested etc,

A Vacant and Void Premises: Nomination and Progress Form was sent to the owners by CEC. and no response was received.

The Planning Enforcement Team have an ongoing prosecution action relating to this site i.e. the failure to comply with a Section 215 Notice and there is a court date set for Feb 6th 2024 at Crewe Magistrates Court.

In view of the public / national interest, NUB News to be updated with the latest information.

- b. **Case Reference: 23/00482E**, Location: 6, Roewood Lane, Higher Hurdsfield.

Nature of problem: Erection of a shed.

Recently added lights and security since being approached to by enforcement.

No further information was available.

ACTION: Enquiries to be made.

9) REVIEW AND DISTRIBUTE CORRESPONDENCE

None.

10) PCSO LORCAN CANNARD'S REPORTS. NOVEMBER CRIME REPORT.

11/11 – Road related Offence: caller reporting a speeding vehicle and states that the vehicle nearly hit her. CLIFF LANE.

25/11 – Highway Disruption: car parked in dangerous position: SMNT, RAINOW ROAD.

26/11 – Highway Disruption: Vehicle blocking Road. CLIFF LANE.

(SMNT – search made no trace).

11) **CLIFF LANE**

a. Damaged Wall (Fix My Street Ref. 5179456)

The Structures Team have accepted responsibility for this wall, a job request has been raised and it will be programmed after Christmas.

b. Flooding and pot holes (Fix My Street Ref. 5243433}

c. Road closure and signs.

Items b. & c. have been logged with the Traffic Team and are currently under review.

ACTION: Further enquires to be made

12) **ROEWOOD LANE.**

a. Vehicle collision damage to wall and signage.

The work will be programmed after Christmas along with the gullies being emptied.

During December, cones were deployed for emptying the gullies, however one parked car stopped the job.

13) **WELL LANE, LARGE WAGONS, DEMOLISHED WALLS. (Fix My Street Ref. 3452223)**

Requested an assessment for a size limit restriction sign for vehicles. Photos sent.

A conifer has fallen and taken down the wall. The tree has been removed.

ACTION: Further enquiries to be made.

14. **THE DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING 29th Feb. 2024,**

15. **MERRY CHRISTMAS**

The meeting ended approx. 6.45pm.

The Clerk would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for all the help, support and friendship, it was a pleasure working for the Parish Council.

Wendy Carter, Parish Clerk & RFO