



# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF HIGHER HURDSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

HELD ON THURSDAY 28<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2024, 6PM. AT THE HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, HURDSFIELD ROAD, MACCLESFIELD. ALL MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL WERE SUMMONED TO ATTEND. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS WERE CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND.

PRESNT: Andy Broadhurst (Chair), Ciaran Fleming (vice chair), Peter Torr, Neil McArthur, Debbie Grindrod, Paul Keep.

## 1. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

The apology received from Amber Owens was unanimously accepted by resolution.

Apologies also we're received from Ken Edwards.

## 2. TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARATION OF INTEREST FROM MEMBERS.

None.

## 3. PUBLIC FORUM.

None

## 4. CHAIRPERSON 'S ANNOUNCEMENTS.

We have received the Audit Due Checklist and will be contacting the external auditor shortly.

## 5. CO-OPTING A NEW COUNCILLOR.

As there haven't been more than 10 people applying to join the council we can now co-opt at our leisure. We will discuss with Amber Owens who knows of 2 people who may be interested.

## 6. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING HELD 29<sup>th</sup> of February 2024, to approve and sign.

The minutes of the meeting on the 29th of February 2024 were approved and signed.

**7. CLERK TO GIVE AN UPDATE ON THE FOLLOWING.**

1. CURRENT BANK BALANCE- on 5<sup>th</sup> March 2024 was £ 3421.12
2. GENERAL- 3 cheques to be signed

**8. AUTHORISATION OF PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS.**

The following 3 cheques were authorised-

Cheque- HMRC £320 cheque number 964

Cheque- A. Broadhurst (chair) ink cartridge- £19.99 cheque number 965

Cheque- Wendy Carter to reimburse her for renewing the Microsoft license- £59.99.  
Cheque number 966

**9. NEW SIGNATORIES REQUIRED.**

Debbie Grindrod and Neil McArthur kindly agreed to be new signatories.

**10. NEW MEMBER OF PLANNING COMMITTEE REQUIRED.**

Paul Keep kindly agreed to join the planning committee.

**11. TO CONSIDER & COMMENT ON PLANNING APPLICATIONS, DECISIONS. ENFORCEMENTS AND APPEALS.**

. 20/2743M The George & Dragon Public House

The matter is now listed for trial at 9.45am on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2024.

. 23/00482E Erection of a shed, 6 ROEWOOD LANE.

Not heard anything yet.

. Telephone mast Ligetts Lane.

Appeal ref: APP/R0660/W/23/3329086 Wood End farm, off Lidgetts Lane, Rainow, Macclesfield SK10 5TA The Appeal was dismissed.

**12. REVIEW AND DISTRIBUTE CORRESPONDENCE.**

None

### **13. PCSO LORCAN CANNARD REPORT.**

We discussed the Higher Hurdsfield Crime Report for February 2024 that PCSO Lorcan Cannard kindly sent us. We have decided to ask him for the next Crime Report for March 2024.

### **14. CLIFF LANE.**

a) Damaged wall.

It has been sorted out.

b) Flooding and potholes.

Our thanks to Ken Edwards- the Bollington town representative, who kindly traveled the road and gave a report on the lanes bad condition. It is possible that Ken may be able to help.

We have been saying for years and have repeatedly been told that it is a major engineering project, which will not get done. Even the flooding water freezing in the winter is not deemed serious enough to warrant work.

A. Broadhurst (chair) attended highways zoom meeting during the pandemic, and all the Parish Councils were complaining about the state of their roads. The Highways stated that in the current climate things would only get worse.

We feel that there is nothing more that we can do, but if Ken Edwards can do something about it, we would be grateful.

### **15. ROEWOOD LANE/ RAINOW ROAD.**

a) Vehicle collision damage to wall & signage.

The wall is still down but they do know that it needs doing.

### **16. WELL LANE.**

a) large vehicles damaging walls and road surfaces Ref. 3452223.

- b) no entry/ weight limit signs requested.

It was suggested signs at both ends of well lane. When the funds are available will do. Not a lot we can do for the moment.

## **17. CHANGING PARISH BOUNDARIES.**

A. Broadhurst (chair) submitted our views via online survey stating that we wished to stay with Bollington. Their draft recommendations will be issued on 30<sup>th</sup> July 2024.

There is nothing more we can do about that.

## **18. WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK WENDY CARTER FOR ALL HER HARD WORK AS PARISH CLERK.**

## **19. DATE OF NEXT MEETING.**

The 25<sup>th</sup> of April 2024.