



HIGHER HURDSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES

A MEETING OF HIGHER HURDSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL held on Thursday 5 December 2024, 6pm.

at the Holy Trinity Church, Hurdsfield Road, Macclesfield

All members of the Council are summoned to attend.

Members of the public & press are cordially invited to attend.

1) To receive apologies for absence

Apologies received from Ciaran Fleming, unanimously accepted by resolution of the Council.

2) To receive any Declaration of Interest from Members

None received.

3) Public Forum

No members of the public attended.

4) Chairperson's announcements

None

5) Minutes of the last meeting held on 31 October 2024, to approve and sign

Councilor A Owens approved and seconded by Chair A Broadhurst

6) Resignation of Council member & vacancy update

No formal interest as yet. Advertised within the Parish and Cheshire East Council.
Carry forward to next meeting in January 2025.

7) Clerk to give an update on the following:-

- Current bank balance / cash book
£6848.26 - cash book balance £6695.06 (awaiting presentation of two cheques totaling £153.20)
- Update re online banking – ongoing with registration
- VAT reclaim update – awaiting repayment from HMRC for £452.57 claimed for period up to and including 31 July 2024

8) Authorisation and payment of Accounts

- Clerk – November 2024
Cheque 000992 £320.00 S Owens
Cheque 000993 £80.00 HMRC
- Discussion re future use of precept for the Parish
Agreed £7500.00 precept form signed and to be submitted to Cheshire East Council by the Clerk and Responsible Officer by PDF – sent 11th December 2024
- Payment for use of Trinity Church – invoice to be received December 2024

Clerk to confirm current and outstanding charges with Trinity Church – possible outstanding balances for previous meetings to be confirmed.

9) To consider and comment on planning applications, decisions, enforcements & appeals

- **20/2743M The George and Dragon Public House – SEPT DATE**
Clerk to follow up with CEC regarding current position
- **24/2/857M Nursery, Swanscoe Lane – Change of use from Agricultural to Flexible Business Use**
Remain on agenda

10) Review & distribute correspondence

- a) **Railway 200 Heritage Anniverary** – no relevance to HHPC
- b) **HMRC credit balance for £117.27 on PAYE account** – Clerk to write to HMRC for further details
- c) **Fast Hosts**
No longer supporting .gov.uk domain names. HHPC to source alternative provider for this domain support and Clerk to review following reviewing also with CEC
- d) **Polling District, Polling Places Review**

Seeking views of Parish Council but stating any decision would be pending boundary review to be published 13 May 2025. Not relevant at this point to HHPC as no polling station currently within Parish (it is in Hursdsfield).

11) PCSO Lorcan Cannard Report November 2024

Discussed and reviewed with Councilors – no further action required.

01/11 – Highway Disruption: Caller reporting parking obstruction on Roewood Lane. Vehicle moved. Roewood Lane.

02/11 – Highway Disruption: Injured Sheep in the carriageway flailing around. Search Made No Trace. Cliff Lane.

04/11 – Suspicious Activity: Caller says when he checked his vehicle this morning he found that all of his windows were fully down. Caller says he is confident he didn't do it. No damage, nothing taken and no Lines of Enquiry. Rainow Road.

15/11 – Criminal Damage: x2 vehicles have been keyed on Roewood Lane. No CCTV and no Lines of Enquiry. Roewood Lane.

29/11 – Highway Disruption: HGV has broken down. Vehicle has been moved off the road and recovery has been arranged. Rainow Road.

12) Cliff Lane – Cheshire East Council Freedom of Information Request

Documents for review by Councilors A Owens / N McArthur.

Degradation, drainage and erosion on Cliff Lane – refer to CEC by Clerk

Removal of section of damaged lamp post on Cliff Lane to be raised to CEC which is a hazard to both pedestrians and vehicles. Clerk to action.

13) Roewood Lane – vehicle collision damage to wall & signage

To remain on agenda at the moment following damage to wall and signage

14) Well Lane – vehicle sizes (Ref 3452223) / size restrictions - Cheshire East Council

Freedom of Information Request including Caryfold Lane

Documents for review by Councilors A Owens / N McArthur

Deteriorating state of this retaining wall on Rainow Road – Clerk to liaise with local parishioner and CEC Highways regarding this matter (Complaint 19798576)

15) Changing Parish boundaries

Andrew Broadhurst has prepared a response, contents agreed at the meeting and to be submitted by Andrew Broadhurst

16) Footpath clearance – CEC 6277999

Local tradesman to be approached by Councilor P Torr to arrange clearance of weeds along Rainow Road

17) Bus shelter notice board

Update on quotes for replacement

Councillor P Keep presented design alternatives and HHPC agreed upon one design up to a budget of circa £500 to replace the vandalized board within the bus shelter

Councilor Owens to provide artwork to Councilor Keep for the title board

Update at next meeting

18) Date of next meeting

27th February 2025

Agenda issued by Shane Owens (Clerk and RFO)

Shane