



HIGHER HURDSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD OF HIGHER HURDSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Thursday July 31st 2025

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.

1. **To receive apologies for absence**
 - o None received
2. **To receive any declarations of interest from Members**
 - o None received
3. **Councillor Morris to sign Acceptance of Office – brought forward from May meeting**
 - o Cllr Morris duly signed and witnessed by Clerk Owens
4. **Public Forum**
 - o One member of the public attended (W Forshaw) with a view to joining the HHPCC
5. **Chairpersons Announcements**
 - o None
6. **Minutes of the last meeting held on 29th May 2025, to approve and sign**
 - o Approved and signed by unanimous acceptance
7. **Council vacancy update**
 - o Carry forward to next meeting
8. **Confirmation of Planning Committee members – brought forward from May meeting**
 - o Cllr Morris confirmed acceptance to join Planning Committee
9. **Clerk to give update on the following:-**
 - o **Current bank balance / cash book position / budget update**
 - Bank £6,176.50 / Cash book £6,176.50 04/07/25
 - Budget actual income to date £3,898.63 / Budget £7,750.00
 - Budget actual expenditure to date £1,226.97 / Budget £7,612.00
 - o **Update to online banking**
 - Cllr McCarthur to submit to Natwest once forms all signed

- VAT Reclaim to March 2025 – update
 - March 2025 reclaim £148.63 now received
 - HMRC correspondence from January 2025 – update
 - Clerk to chase HMRC again re January correspondence
 - Audit
 - Audit report and recommendations received. Report findings were read out in full to HHPC and Clerk to publish. JDH invoice accepted for payment as part of audit review. Thank you passed to all involved.
Standing orders were discussed with full HHPC and will be reviewed in advance of next meeting. Agreement to be confirmed as to understanding at next meeting and annual review moving forward as part of year end procedures.
10. Authorisation and payment of accounts:-
- Clerk salary & HMRC payments June and July 2025
 - 001019 £320.00 S Owens (Month 3)
 - 001020 £80.00 HMRC (Month 3)
 - 001023 £320.00 S Owens (Month 4)
 - 001024 £80.00 HMRC (Month 4)
 - Annual Insurance – Zurich Policy renewal
 - 001021 £241.00
 - Timber for new notice board at bus stop and stamps
 - 001017 £26.55 S Owens
 - Website hosting – Wingnut
 - 001018 £160.00 B Morrell
 - JDH Business - Audit
 - 001022 £306.00 JDH Business Services
11. To consider and comment on any planning applications
- 20/2743M George and Dragon – ongoing
 - 24/2857 Nursery Swanscoe – refused by CEC 31/10/2024 now to be removed moving forward
12. Review and distribute correspondence
- News release CEC Travel plans to make borough healthier, greener & happier
 - CEC Enabling community grants
 - Vulnerable person notification / PCSO dealing / Clerk updated HHPC with details of ongoing concerns who is currently open to Social Services and has complex needs. Councillor Pace suggested conveying our concerns by letter to Adult Social Care for follow up by Clerk. Clerk to complete via Live Well Cheshire East (Concerned about an adult) form on the advice of Cllr Morris.

13. PCSO Lucan Crime Report

31/05 – Highway Disruption: x3 vehicles parked on Roewood Lane opposite junction to Hillside Drive. X2 Police Advisory Notices and x2 drivers spoken to in relation to parking opposite or within 10 meters of a junction. Vehicles moved. Roewood Lane.

16/06 – Caller reporting issues with their neighbours dog barking. Rainow Rd

23/06 – Male arrested for drug driving and possession of Class A Controlled Substance namely Cocaine. Kerridge Rd.

25/06 – Assault: Fight in Public House. Rainow Rd.

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01/07 – Highway Disruption: Caller reporting car parked opposite junction. Fixed Penalty Notice issued. Hillside Drive.

02/07 – Child Neglect: Emotional harm. Higher Hurdsfield.

02/07 – Violence / harassment: Caller saying there is a female on his drive threatening him. Hillside Drive.

04/07 – Sus person / activity: Caller reporting three males in ski masks in the garden. Roewood Lane. Search made no trace.

14. Cliff Lane update

- Ongoing and Clerk to chase CEC for further update

15. Well Lane update

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16. Roewood Lane update

17. Higher Fold Lane

- Chairman approached by member of public who lives in the vicinity regarding state of carriageway and it's unadopted status. Member of the public has explored purchasing the unadopted road for the sum of £5,000 and put forward the suggestion that HHPC may wish to consider this. The road is in a poor state of repair and affords access to a number of properties and importantly the car park which services the children's playground. Member of the public also put forward the suggestion of a gate to the junction of Rainow Road which would be prohibitive to persons using the park and car parking area. Further enquiries by Clerk with CEC to find out state of road and status moving forward.

18. CEC Reports:-

- Cliff Lane signage – CEC6545434 & CEC6918710 – carry forward



- Rainow Road wall bulge – CEC3470448 – Correspondence received from CEC to say:-

This wall was originally down for feasibility and design this year 25/26 and construction 26/27 – however due to the issues along this stretch and the concerns raised by yourself we are looking to bring this forward.

19. Bus Shelter Notice Board update

- Clerk has built the frame and installed the new notice board in July
- Thanks was unanimously given for his endeavours

20. Changing Parish Boundaries – update

21. Matters Arising

- Councillor Place updated HHPC regarding the new software traCE being adopted by CEC for reporting highways issues. He also suggested that the Clerk write to CEC regarding the ongoing signage issues as funds have now been allocated for agenda points 14 & 15 above. Also to signpost to members of the public to report highways issues.
- Councillors Edwards and Place also invited HHPC to make a contribution to the Bollington Live forthcoming publication

22. Date of next meeting

- 28 August 2025 6pm Trinity Church, Hurdsfield

Agenda Issued by Shane Owens (Clerk & RFO)

