

HIGHAM ON THE HILL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes



Date: Monday 11th October 2021
Time: 7.00 pm
Present: Cllr Jenkins (Vice-Chair), Cllr Gayton, Cllr Waterton, Cllr Grimes, Cllr Edwards
A Perkins (Clerk) Julie King (Clerk), 5 members of the public. Cllr J Collett arrived at 7.10pm

A resident commented on the recent burglary of a property on Cherry Orchard Close and inquired about there being a Neighbourhood Watch. It was suggested that HBBC be contacted.

A resident enquired as to whether the weed killer used in the King George V Field is pet friendly. Cllr Jenkins to ask Michael Smith however it was thought it would be a non-toxic spray due to H&S in a public location.

It was also commented that the path has suffered from water damage and has washed away in certain areas. This will be reviewed in the Spring 2022 with regards to resurfacing damaged areas.

A resident raised the issue of parking and speeding and asked if the road could be widened by the School. Parish Council to engage the expertise of LCC Highways to seek a resolution.

10/21/1 APOLOGIES

Cllr Bertie Harrison-Rushton - accepted

10/21/2 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

None

10/21/3 MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The minutes of the ordinary meeting held on the 6th of September 2021 were agreed by the Parish Councillors present as a true record of the meeting. Signed by Cllr Jenkins acting as Chair.

10/21/4 COUNTY AND BOROUGH COUNCIL REPORTS

Cllr Collett has continued to support the village against further planning applications, explaining that the village is small and has neither the infrastructure or facilities to support further housing. HBBC still do not have enough land to meet their 5 year land supply quota which means we remain at risk. There is also a shortage of housing officers due to retirements/resignations.

Cllr Collett will speak again against any planning proposals however he recommends that if they are agreed, we must ensure that we impose conditions

There is an ongoing issue with the collection of brown garden waste bins de to a shortage of drivers. He had asked whether the current bin licence would be extended to make up for the missed collections but was told no.

Cllr Collett left the meeting at 7.40pm to attend another meeting.

10/21/5 CLERKS REPORT

Previously 09/21/04 Emailed MHF and request for 6 painted carriageway roundels and refreshing of lines – grant requested £3600

09/21/8 Commented on planning application with regard to materials to be used. Letters re planting of trees and shrubs on Moo Meadow sent to residents at 56, 58 and 62 Station Road.

TO BE DONE: Contact school reference parents leaving engines running.

10/21/6 COUNCILLORS REPORTS

- i. Bollard on the junction of Barr Lane and Main Street: Cllr Edwards had reported this again and has a reference number. LCC Highways to be contacted for an update.
- ii. Fallen tree across path from Station Road onto Moo Meadow next to pumping station. This has been reported to STWA as the tree has fallen on their land and is not now obstructing the path.
- iii. Update on Oddfellows – Cllr Jenkins informed those present that the recent application by A R Cartwrights is not new but a renewal of the existing one which would otherwise lapse. They have agreed to pay for a survey on the building however they are continuing with their appeal to the High Court in London to remove the ACV. Units that are being stored on the car park are being investigated by HBBC planning as this is in the Conservation Area.

10/21/7 ITEMS TO BE TAKEN INTO PRIVATE SESSION

None

10/21/8 PLANNING

21/01147/OUT Residential development for up to 61 dwellings, including a shop, open space, new access and associated works (OUTLINE - ACCESS ONLY) Land Off Wood Lane, Higham On The Hill, Leicestershire **Comments made online**

21/0089/FUL Erection of security fence LOCATION : Vale Farm, Stoke Lane, Higham On The Hill, Nuneaton, Leicestershire **Retrospective**

10/21/9 ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION AND RESOLUTION

- i. Planting of Leicestershire apple trees in recreation ground – Cllr Jenkins suggested that this could be done by a working party and possible to include School children. Agreed by all to proceed.
- ii. Removal of two dead trees in Moo Meadow – Cllr Jenkins requested that two very small dead trees be removed. Agreed by all to proceed.
- iii. Christmas tree – Cllr Gayton confirmed that Village Autos will donate again this year. It was agreed by all that the council pay for any installation costs. Carols Around the Tree to be organised by Dawn and Dean.

Action: Cllrs Waterton and Edwards

- iv. Defibrillator Pads – Cllr Gayton confirmed that these need to be replaced. Agreed by all that a quote be obtained and the items ordered. **Action: Cllr Gayton/Clerk**

10/21/10 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION ONLY

- iv. Election timetable has been forwarded to each councillor for info.

10/21/11 FINANCE

Outgoings	Payment Method	Minutes	Inc VAT	VAT @ 20%	Ex VAT	Date
Michael Smith - Grounds Maint. August	Trf	11.10.21	£310.00		£310.00	08.09.21
Mrs K Jones - Mutts Butts Pooh Bags	Trf	11.10.21	£30.00	£6.00	£24.00	22.09.21
Mrs A Jenkins - Meadow Seeds	Trf	11.10.21	£44.02		£44.02	22.09.21
Michael Smith - Grounds Maint. September	Trf	11.10.21	£425.00		£425.00	24.09.21
HBBC - 1/4ly Litter Bin Service Agreement	Trf	11.10.21	£262.08	£43.68	£218.40	24.09.21
Unity Trust - 1/4ly Bank charge	DD	11.10.21	£18.00		£18.00	30.09.21
Miss A Perkins - HP Instant Ink Fees	Trf	11.10.21	£13.93	£2.31	£11.62	08.10.21
Miss A Perkins - 2nd Qtr + Final Salary	Trf	11.10.21	£1,079.50		£1,079.50	29.10.21

BALANCE AT BANK £30,920.52

Instant Access Account: £14,600.00
 Unity Current Account: £16,620.52 (as at 08.10.21)

Bank Mandate amendment – Addition of Julie King and change of contact details

10/21/12 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 22nd November 2021 at 7pm in the Methodist Church, Main Street, Higham on the Hill.

The meeting closed at 8.00pm.

Signed: _____ Dated: _____