

## Minutes of Meeting of the Parish Council

Held on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2023 at 7.30pm held at the Village Hall

Present            Cllr Andy Notman – Chairman  
                          Cllr Shirley Firth  
                          Cllr Martin Jones  
                          Cllr Ben Poulton  
                          Cllr Chris Cannon  
                          DCllr Charlotte Lowe

Sarah Mizuro (Clerk)  
 3 members of the public present.

		Action
31	<b>Apologies and reasons for Absence</b> Cllr Rachel Griffin, CCllr Steve Criswell, DCllr Adele Costello	None
32	<b>Members declaration of Interest for items on the Agenda</b> None	All
33	<p><b>Public Forum</b> – DCllr Lowe informed the meeting that the charges for collection of Green bin refuse will go ahead despite oppositions. Charges from April 2024 will be £57.50 for the first bin and £30.00 each for any additional bins.                      A petition will be circulated regarding the state of the roads and pavements due to the lack of kerbside spraying this year.                      DCllr Lowe will be attending the flood conference next week and asked if there were any issues within the village. Cllr Notman stated the only issues in Woodhurst was when leaves block the drains.</p> <p>A member of the public stated that it appeared that the 20mph limit was having very little effect on the traffic speed. Is there anything that can be done to enforce the speed limit. Cllr Notman said that this was an ongoing discussion and over the last few years various speed control measures had been put in place, including the speed indicator device and the 20mph limit. Cllr Jones commented that possibly the average speed had lowered but not to 20mph. Cllr Notman said that even a 2mph reduction in speed if someone was hit by a vehicle would make a big difference. The public member ask if more Speedwatch sessions were planned and Cllr Notman replied that this could be arranged with the correct number of volunteers.</p>	None
34	<b>Minutes</b> – Minutes of the last meeting were agreed as a true record.	
35	<p><b>Finance</b> – Financial Statements were agreed.                      Payments to be made – Agreed Cllr Notman proposed Cllr Firth seconded Clerk Salary £181.44</p>	
36	<p><b>Planning</b> –                      Harradine House – 23/01476/S73 – No observations were made small adjustments to the original plans.                      Envar CCC/23/093/FUL – Application for a waste transfer station and biomass building. DCllr Lowe advised that the original application has been split so some parts could be approved allowing the business to move forward. The size and positions of the buildings were discussed and it was decided that an extension would be requested on the deadline for comments to allow extra time to formulate a response.</p>	SM
37	<p><b>Health &amp; Safety / Public Right of Way</b> – Cllr Cannon commented that there were large lorries accessing South Street and becoming caught in the over hanging trees. Could a sign be put up saying unsuitable for large vehicles. Cllr Notman advised that if lorries are delivering to properties, they are able to use South Street.                      Cllr Cannon asked if more 20mph signs could be put on the speed indicator device poles. Cllr Notman advised the repeater signs are standard and we are unable to put</p>	

	up any more. Cllr Cannon expressed concern about the number of farm vehicles using the village as a cut through despite the 7.5 tonne limit. Cllr Notman said this would be very hard to police as it is not always obvious who owns the vehicles.	None
38	<p><b>Conservation and Environment</b> – Cllr Poulton advised that the barrier around the Swan Weir pond was coming loose. Cllr Notman to report to Highways.</p> <p>Cllr Poulton advised that the TPO for the Elm outside The Swallows was in process, also commented that this required pollarding</p> <p>Cllr Poulton asked for approval to purchase wild flower seed for the grassy knoll. It was decided that monies from the maintenance budget could be used for this. Cllr Notman proposed, all Councillors in favour.</p>	BP
39	<p><b>Maintenance</b> – A quotation has been obtained from HDC for emptying of the litter bins every fortnight for £126.32 per bin. Cllr Notman proposed to accept this and Cllr Cannon seconded, all in favour.</p>	SM
40	<p><b>Village Hall and Church Reports</b> – Cllr Jones informed the meeting that the Village Hall AGM would take place the next day. The committee were looking for additional members and help with events.</p> <p>Cllr Notman asked for a copy of the accounts as the Parish Council are trustees of the Village Hall.</p> <p>Cllr Firth reported that the concert to be held on Saturday has all 71 tickets sold and new staging has been obtained for the event. The removal of the hedge at the back edge of the graveyard is to be removed with permission from HDC and help from villagers has been asked for during the weekend. The advert fayre is scheduled for 25<sup>th</sup> November.</p>	MJ
41	<b>Road Signs, 7.5 Tonne Limit, Parking (CC)</b> – discussed earlier in meet	
42	<b>Correspondence</b> – Insurance form was discussed and completed	SM
43	<p><b>Items and date for next meeting</b> - None</p> <p style="text-align: center;">The Meeting Closed at 21.09</p> <p style="text-align: center;">The Next Meeting will be held on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2023 at 19:30.</p> <p><b>2023 Meeting dates</b>  Tuesday 14th February  Tuesday 7th March  Tuesday 11th April – Annual Parish Meeting  Tuesday 9th May – Annual General Meeting  Tuesday 13th June  Tuesday 11th July  Tuesday 12th September  Tuesday 17th October  Tuesday 14th November  Tuesday 12th December</p>	

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