

HAIL WESTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 16 July 2024 HELD IN HAIL WESTON VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30 pm.

PRESENT:

N Farnden (NF) (Chair)
N Burdett (NB)
S Mailer (SM)
R Rowley-Smith (RRS)
H Morris (HM)
V Bolton (VB)

IN ATTENDANCE: HDC Ward Cllr Stephen Cawley and Sarah Milonas (Clerk).

ACTION

- 240716 – 1** OPEN FORUM AND TO RECEIVE COUNCILLOR REPORTS
The Chairman opened the meeting.
Cllr Stephen Cawley report attached.
- 240716 – 2** RECEIVE APOLOGIES AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE
Apologies were received from OO (Holiday) and from CCC
Cllr Ian Gardener (attending another meeting).
- 240716 - 3** RECEIVE ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FROM MEMBERS
There were no declarations of interests.
- 240716 - 4** APPROVE AND SIGN MINUTES (18 June 2024)
Resolved to approve the Minutes of the Parish Council
meeting held on 18 June 2024.
- 240716 - 6** PLANNING
It was resolved to approve **24/01071/S73** Proposal: Variation
of Condition 2 (Plans listed in table above) for 18/01470/FUL,
site address: 2 Newtown, Hail Weston, St Neots.
- 240716 – 7b** FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE
To was resolved to approve reconciliation, bank statements
and expenditure for June 2024.
Resolved to approve Account balances:
Business Money Manager: £42583.17
Community account: £4117.81
TOTAL £46,700.98

To approve payments on finance reports: July 2024

July 2024 expenditure

P Baker	£160.55
LGS Services	£381.06
Total Gas Energies	£38.10
SM Laptop, ESET & Office 365 Annual Subscription	£578.97

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ACTION

SM Wages July SCP 29 £19.41/hr (HMRC 151.40)	£605.59
T&S Grounds Maintenance	£580.00
J Abell £17.64/hr x 18 hrs	£317.52
HDC 6 Sessions	£280.80
LSK toilet hire (children's activities 25/7,1/8 & 8/8)	£138.20
HDC 3 children's sports activities £23.55 x 3 hours x 3 sessions x 2 coaches = £423.90 +£84.78 VAT = £508.68	£508.68
Fruit/Snack for children's sessions	£25.00
ILCA Training for New Clerk	£144.00
Total	£3758.47

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COUNCILLORS UPDATES

NB has begun to compile a list of clubs and groups in the village, to be publicised once completed to encourage new members. NB requested that the Clerk provide a list of Village owned streetlights. NB confirmed that the table tennis table will not receive funding from the Fete, NB to investigate funding from Table Tennis England. Clerk to also look at funding opportunities. NB has the 2nd key to the village notice boards. NB has agreed to keep hold of the second key for safe keeping. Clerk to investigate if there is a 3rd key.

Clerk

NB/Clerk

Clerk

VB confirmed that although the Fete was successful, it did make less than previous years. Several village initiatives will benefit from money from the Fete, including The Roach Club, Neighbourhood Café, Garden Angels and the Church.

HM No Updates

SM would like to provide more information to the village concerning options for homes being more energy efficient and provide signposting to HDC grants available. SM to draft a post for Hail Weston Facebook site.

SM

RRS circulated safety checks. RRS noted there was no damage to the playing field from the Fete. RRS requested the Clerk to tidy up the Parish Council display Case and ensure all material is up to date.

Clerk

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NF confirmed it is time for another Parish Newsletter. **NF** asked the Clerk to request content from HWPC Councillors by 10th September 2024 with a view to getting a draft signed off in September HWPC meeting.

Clerk

Content Suggestions:

NF – Article to highlight local plan

NF

RRS – Reflection since last Newsletter

RRS

Clerk – Finance Pie chart

Clerk

SM – Private Security Companies

SM

VB – Hedges

VB

NB - community led plan, oil buying group, table tennis table, Hubble highway, streetlights, list of groups

NB

NF asked Clerk to contact Highways about Brambles on Bird Lane

Clerk

240716 - 9 CONSIDER ANY COMMUNICATION RECEIVED THAT REQUIRES FORMAL NOTING OR DECISION BY PC
Noted the Morelock Signs have still not yet arrived.

Resolved to reply to prospective hirer of playing field and state that it cannot be hired exclusively and decline the request.

It was resolved to continue with the adult strength and balance classes. Clerk to inform HDC.

Clerk

New Finance regulations were noted

Resolved to cancel the advertised August meeting. Clerk to issue cancellation notice.

Clerk

Resolved to pay all standard utilities and Clerk wages for August 2024 as meeting cancelled.

240716-10 MATTERS TO BE RAISED BY MEMBERS FOR THE NEXT GENERAL MEETING AGENDA
Clerks Email Account to be discussed at the next meeting.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 8.36 pm.

Stephen Cawley HDC Ward Cllr Report Community Events

HDC will consider applications to support community events up to £1,000, or 20% of the total event cost, whichever is lower. Community events are defined as lasting for less than four days. In order to be eligible, they must be free to attend, free to take part and open to everyone. All criteria for Community Chest funding also applies.

<https://www.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/media/3uamuvru/community-chest-funding-criteria.pdf>

Removal of Unwanted Garden Bins

The removal of unwanted garden bins will start the week commencing 8th July 2024. HDC will only be removing bins from residents who have requested them to be removed.

If you want us to remove your garden bin, please **complete the online form**.

<https://forms.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/GARDENBINMANAGEMENT/launch>

If you haven't signed up to the service but would like to keep your garden bin, you are welcome to do so. If you would like to sign up to the service, please **visit the Garden Waste Subscription Service page**.

<https://www.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/bins-waste/garden-waste-subscription-service/>

Community Protection and Enforcement

HDC's Community Protection and Enforcement Team have had a great start to the year so far, tackling issues such as fly-tipping, and breaching Community Protection Notices (uncontrolled dogs)

Any incidents of anti-social behaviour, environment crime or dog control can be reported on HDC's website:

<https://www.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/environmental-issues/fly-tipping/>

<https://www.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/environmental-issues/dog-related-issues/>

<https://www.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/environmental-issues>

District Council launches Online Climate Hub

Huntingdonshire District Council (HDC) has launched an Online Climate Hub as result of feedback from local people. The 2023 Climate Conversation events invited local businesses, residents, parish councils and environmental groups to gather and discuss Climate Change and Huntingdonshire's environment.

Feedback from these sessions showed a clear wish for a platform where this collaboration could continue, leading to the Online Climate Hub.

<https://letstalkhuntingdonshire.net/hub-page/online-climate-hub>

<https://www.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/media/6882/climate-strategy-appendix-1-climate-strategy.pdf>

<https://www.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/media/6912/climate-strategy-action-plan.pdf>

Shop Front Grant Scheme Extended District Wide

HDC announced the expansion of the Shop Front Grant Scheme to encompass the entire district from 1 July 2024. This initiative, previously available only to market towns, will now support businesses across all areas of Huntingdonshire, encouraging economic growth and enhancing the visual appeal of our local commercial areas.

<https://www.huntingdonshire.gov.uk/people-communities/market-towns-programme/shop-front-grant-scheme/>