

MINUTES

HUNTLEY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT HUNTLEY VILLAGE HALL ON TUESDAY 6th FEBRUARY 2024 at 7.30pm

Attendees: Councillors: J. Green (Chair), J. Croxall, M. Evans, R. Watkins & A. Wood.

Present: Mr L Williams (Clerk), District Cllr. John Francis (JF) 5 members of the public (MoP). The meeting started at 7.30pm.

1. **MEMBERS' INTERESTS RELATING TO ITEMS ON THIS AGENDA** – None.
2. **APOLOGIES** – Cllrs. I. Walker and T. Hill. Also, County Cllr. Phil Robinson.
3. **Members of the public, District and County councillors will be invited to address the council at this time.**
 - (i) The clerk had a list of communications that were received after the agenda had been published: **1.** Email asking about the call for sites process and complaining about the appearance of the west end of the village and a lack of support from Planning Enforcement; **2.** Report of metal detectors on the allotments. This is not the person with permissions. Social media post refers; **3.** Complaint about how Gygaclear contractors have left the road surface at Frog Lane/North Road. Reported; **4.** Report of new structure ay Blaisdon Meadows, appears to be incorrect; **5.** The grass cutting contractor advised that he must register for VAT and backdate for two financial years; **6.** D Day preparations are going well but more volunteers are needed; **7.** MoP reported a very near miss when turning into Grange Court Lane. Stop line issue reported again.
 - (ii) JF provided a verbal report on FoDDC matters: **1.** Budget setting is a dominant factor. Despite leaks, nothing has been decided so far; **2.** Publica run services and functions will largely return to FoDDC control. JF has been appointed Chair of the relevant group; **3.** We are encouraged to contribute to the current Planning departmental review; **4.** A member asked whether B Enforcement staff were employed or were consultants. The answer was, "Both."
4. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING** – Members **resolved** that the minutes of the ordinary meeting held on 5th December 2023 form an accurate record of the events and they were signed by the chairman.
5. **CLERK'S REPORT** – Members **accepted** the contents of the report at Appendix A.
6. **ACTION LOG** – Members **accepted** the Action Log which was discussed with explanations. Key new points re: **2.** Cllr. Croxall has asked for a quote to strip off the old paint; **5.** Cllr. Evans will look at the west end of the village; **7.** Cllr. Evans has bought materials; **14.** D Day event, request for volunteers will go in news sheet; **15.** Grass cutting meeting to be arranged.

7. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

- A. Received – None.**
- B. Dealt with Between Meetings –** P1604/23/LBC The Red Lion, North Road, Huntley, GL19 3DU. Listed building consent for the erection of play equipment, covered seating area and statue (retrospective). Response submitted.
- C. Decided Since Last Meeting – (i)** P1409/23/FUL Land adjoining Poplars Cottage, Tibberton Lane, Huntley. Variation of Condition 01 (Approved Plans) of permission P0197/23/APP for addition of footpath to plots 1 and 2, alteration of elevations of plots 10 and 11, and removal of a retaining wall. Permission **Granted** on 18th December 2023.
- (ii)** P1136/23/LBC Pool Hose, Main Road, Huntley, GL19 3DZ. Listed building consent for the erection of railings and iron gate (retrospective) and replacement pergola. Permission **Granted** on 18th January 2024.
- (iii)** P0085/23/DISCON The General Garage, Main Road, Huntley, GL19 3EA. Discharge of Conditions 03 (accessible parking), 05 (cycle storage), 06 (external lighting), 07 (land contamination), 08 (land contamination), 09 (surface water contamination) & 10 (foul drainage details) relating to P1107/21/FUL. Permission **Granted** on 17th January 2024.
- (iv)** P0142/23/PIP Land at Solomons Tump, Huntley, GL19 3EB. Permission in Principle for the erection of 2 dwellings. **Refused** on 18th January 2024.
- D. Withdrawn Since Last Meeting – None.**
- E. Appeals – None.**
- F. Enforcement Issues –** No updates forthcoming. Please see item 16 (ii).
- G. Planning Committee –** Matter deferred to March meeting.
- H. NDP –** The Chairman read the most recent NDP Steering Group report and the clerk read the quarterly report.

8. FINANCE -

Members **accepted** the parish account balances, **authorised** payments and noted payments and receipts as detailed including additional matters as explained.

(a)	Statement of Accounts as at 4 th February 2024		
	Deposit Account	£	21,790.48
	Treasurers Account	£	750.00
	Defibrillator Account	£	1,116.37
	Play Area Ringfenced Funds Account	£	14,647.13
(b)	Grant Applications - Section 137 of Local Government Act 1972		None
(c)	Adverse variance to budget (>£10)		No Report
(d)	To note payment made between meetings		None
(e)	BACS Payments for Approval		
	REL Williams Expenses	£	33.74
	Clerk's Wages	£	500.05

	HMRC Re Above	£	118.40
	Mr P Reeves (Hedge cutting)	£	1,236.00
	AM Groundcare Ltd (Dog Bins x 4)	£	80.00
	Additional Payment		
	G.M Evans (Expenses)	£	63.30
(f)	Payments made between meetings		
	Clerk's Wages	£	500.05
	HMRC Re Above	£	118.40
	Quedgeley Computer Services (NDP site costs)	£	158.75
	Huntley Village Hall (Room hire)	£	20.00
	AM Groundcare Ltd (Dog Bins x 4)	£	80.00
(g)	Income Received – Since 5th December 2023		
09/12	Bank Interest	£	44.04
21/12	Two Rivers Housing (Grass cutting contribution)	£	260.00
09/01	Bank Interest	£	38.68
16/01	HMRC VAT Reclaim	£	794.85

(Cllr. Evans did not vote on his payment)

9. **VILLAGE HALL CAR PARK SIGNS** – After discussion on the document received from Charity Commission it was agreed that the decision made at the October meeting was in order. Cllr. Wood asked that the minutes reflect his opposition to the display of signs discouraging parking.
10. **PLAY AREA** - It was agreed that repairs to the damaged piece of apparatus should take place without delay with the addition of a new lower level step if possible. **Action:** Cllr. Wood to arrange with local contractor.
11. **HUNTLEY HEADLINES** – Items for inclusion in the February edition: **(i)** Call for D Day event volunteers; **(ii)** NDP review; **(iii)** Village Hall events.
12. **RECREATION GROUND REQUESTS** – The meeting heard that the Village Hall management team were considering installing a patio area to the eastern aspect of the premises and sought agreement in principle, which was **granted**.
13. **ITEMS FOR NEXT OR FUTURE MEETINGS** – (i) Grass cutting contract uplift; (ii) Date for Annual Parish Meeting; (iii) Consideration of the need for an August meeting.
14. **MEETINGS / TRAINING / SEMINARS** – GRCC shared their Communities Survey which has been circulated for members to complete.
15. **CORRESPONDENCE** - **(i)** The Eleven Rivers Association shared their most recent newsletter containing details of their AGM. Shared with members. Noted. **(ii)** Complaints have been received regarding a number of matters relating to the building site off Tibberton Lane. Cllr. Green shared details of actions taken to try to address the matters. **(iii)** Complaints have been received regarding the contractors working on behalf of Gigaclear. As above. **(iv)** A complaint has been received regarding a resident using a leaf blower in a manner which deposits detritus onto the highway. **Action:** Clerk to write to resident.

(v) GAPTC's most recent newsletter has been shared as well as details for their February networking session and information on GCC's Greener Gloucestershire climate change community fund. Noted
(vi) FVAF most recent newsletter has been shared. Noted.

16. **NEXT MEETING** – Confirmed as 7.30pm on Tuesday 5th March 2023 at Huntley Village Hall.

The meeting ended at 8.58pm.

Signed:

Date: