

Minutes of a meeting of Hadnall Parish Council held on Monday 10th July 2023 at 7.30pm at Hadnall Village Hall

23/060 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN – Cllr Neil Duxbury was elected to chair the meeting in the absence of the Chair and Vice Chair.

23/061 REGISTER OF ATTENDANCE and APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Present: Cllrs Neil Duxbury, Harmesh Jassel, Andrew Marston.

Apologies: Cllrs John Harrison, Andy Brisbane, and Sarah Parker had submitted apologies which were accepted.

Absent: Cllr Nigel Clifford

Clerk: Alison Utting

Also: SC Cllr Simon Jones, 3 members of the public.

23/062 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SESSION

The following matters were raised:

- a) It was asked whether the WI would be allowed to plant an additional tree close to the Jubilee trees, in memory of their late President, who passed away recently. Clerk to contact Sansaw for permission.
- b) A representative of the Village Hall Committee expressed concern at the impending anti-terrorism training that may be required for the Village Hall (because it has a capacity of >100). The Clerk will keep an eye out for any legislation or advice as it is published.
- c) It was asked what progress had been made on the Older Kids' Play Facilities. ND explained the current situation and apologised about the unfortunate delay. The working group will meet again very soon and an update will be given at the next PC meeting.
- d) The possibility of re-opening the railway station was raised again. The resident was assured that this will certainly form part of the consultation process for the renewed Community Led Plan, and so everyone will have a chance to express their support if they wish, either at special meetings or by responding to a survey.
- e) Church Lane hedgerows (hedge and grass bank) are not being cut. The section by Hawkstone Close is now done by Shropshire Council, but the rest is left

unattended. Clerk to contact Sansaw to find out who owns the verges and whether anything can be done about this.

- f) The wooden gate between the Village Hall car park and the Village Green is in very poor repair. Clerk to contact Sansaw, who had said previously that this would be attended to. Also the potholes in the Village Hall car park.

23/063 CO-OPTION - There were no applications. Clerk to re-advertise.

23/064 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – None.

23/065 MINUTES - It was agreed that the Chairman should sign the minutes of the annual parish council meeting held on 15th May 2023, and the minutes of the Annual Community Meeting of the same date, as true and correct records of those meetings.

23/066 PROGRESS REPORT

- a) **CCLA Public Sector Deposit Fund** – The account is now active and £40K has been transferred. AM suggested that the parish council's general reserve should also be transferred to CCLA. This to be an agenda item at the next meeting.
- b) **RoSPA inspection** – JH & AM to report at next meeting.
- c) **Streetlights** – ND has completed a full survey, reporting two faulty lights and a number that are showing purple light. This information has been sent to the contractor.
- d) **Local Government Boundary Review** – The Clerk has submitted council's questions but has had no response. SJ reported that Shropshire Council is in agreement with Hadnall moving to Tern division, because it makes sense in terms of elector numbers.
- e) **Electricity supplier** – The transfer has taken place (23/05/2023) and a final invoice received from Scottish Power. We are yet to receive our first invoice from West Mercia Energy.
- f) **Road surface A49** – Andy Wilde has responded regarding the A49 in the village: "This issue has been investigated. There was a section of resurfacing carried out in the centre of the village last year, linked to installation of a new crossing. The asset data supported this being the area of the carriageway which required investment. However a new pedestrian buildout was also installed slightly further north in the village. When that was undertaken the road studs were left in place, however the buildout has forced the running lane out onto the original centre line which means that HGVs and other vehicles are running directly over the line

of stud. As a result the volume of traffic has plucked out the studs which now appear to look like potholes. We have flagged this location as a local engineering concern for treatment in 2025/26. In the meantime we will look to schedule some patch repairs to address the immediate problem in this location.”

- g) **Road surface Haston Road** (by railway bridge) - still hasn't been done. Clerk to investigate.

23/067 OTHER REPORTS

Cllr Simon Jones reported that Shropshire Council is expected to cope with its £53M deficit. He also announced that the planning application for the North-West Relief Road will now go to the planning committee in September.

Village Hall – plenty of bookings, but the committee is quiet and still in real need of further volunteers to keep it going.

Community Led Plan – ND reported that a public meeting will be scheduled soon.

23/068 PLANNING

- a) It was noted that the Planning Advisory Group had responded to the following **planning application** since the last meeting:

Reference: **23/02149/FUL**

Address: **2 Hawksmoor Lane**, Hadnall SY4 3DG.

Proposal: Erection of single storey extension.

PAG decision: Support

- b) Council considered the following **planning application**:

Reference: **23/02862/HHE**

Address: 33 Shrewsbury Road, Hadnall SY4 4AG.

Proposal: Erection of a single storey rear extension to a detached dwelling.

HPC decision: Support

- c) There were no further **planning applications** received in advance of this meeting.

- d) Council noted the following **planning decisions**:

Reference: **23/01718/FUL**

Address: **Pinn Cottage**, 7 Chapel Crescent, Hadnall SY4 4EQ

Shropshire Council decision: Grant permission

Reference: **22/03828/EIA**

Address: **Painsbrook Farm**, Hadnall SY4 4BA
Shropshire Council decision: Grant permission

Reference: **23/02193/CPL**

Address: **24 Wedgefields Close**, Hadnall SY4 4DF
Shropshire Council decision: Certificate - Lawful

e) The following **planning decision** was published in advance of this meeting:

Reference: **23/02149/FUL**

Address: **2 Hawksmoor Lane**, Hadnall SY4 3DG.
Shropshire Council decision: Grant permission

23/069 REGISTERING LAND AT WEDGEFIELDS

- a) To decide whether a **name** should be given to the area of land at the entrance to Wedgefields – This item was deferred to the next meeting.
- b) It was resolved that council will engage the services of a solicitor to complete the **registration** of this area of land (approximate cost = £370 + VAT + Land Registry fees).

23/070 ASSET INSPECTION

- a) Council reviewed the **inspection report**. It was agreed that the suggested work on some of the benches could be carried out by RAF Shawbury volunteers (perhaps along with some outside maintenance at the Village Hall). Clerk to clarify details and bring to next meeting.
- b) Council resolved to add the **fencing and gates surrounding The Ease** to its Asset Register (installed by the developers but now falls to the parish council to maintain). Repair/replacement of the fence and gates to be put on the next agenda.

23/071 FOOTBALL GOALS (VILLAGE GREEN) - Council agreed to spend up to £250 on two moveable goalposts and nets.

23/072 DEFIBRILLATOR - This item was deferred to the next meeting.

23/073 FINANCE

a) Council noted the following **payments** made in June 2023:

Amount	Details	Power to spend
3000.00	Footpath installation (land at entrance to Wedgefields)	Open Spaces Act 1906, ss 9 and 10

372.00	Tree maintenance (land at entrance to Wedgefields)	Open Spaces Act 1906, ss 9 and 10
18.00	Banking charges	LGA 1972 s111
300.00	Clerk's salary (May)	LGA 1972 s112

Council agreed to make the following **payments**:

Amount	Details	Power to spend
362.50	Clerk's salary & expenses	LGA1972s112, LGA (financial provisions) 1963 s5.
150.00	PAYE (months 2, 3)	LGA 1972 s112
11.20	Contribution to MS365 fees (Apr, May)	LGA 1972 s142
73.19	Replacement pads for defibrillator	Public Health Act 1875 s234
118.80	Annual charge for AED support number	Public Health Act 1875 s234
204.17	Scottish Power final invoice	Parish Councils Act 1957 s3. Highways Act 1980 s301
32.09	Churchyard floodlighting	Parish Councils Act 1957 s3. Highways Act 1980 s301
550.00	Grounds maintenance contract	Open Spaces Act 1906, ss 9 and 10

Council noted the following **receipts**:

Amount	Details	Power to accept
848.05	Reclaimed VAT (2022-23)	Value Added Tax Act 1994, s33

- b) Council received and approved the **accounts** and **bank reconciliation** to date.
- c) Council resolved that the following councillors should continue as **signatories** for both the Unity Trust current account and the CCLA account: Nigel Clifford, Neil Duxbury, John Harrison, and Harmesh Jassel.

23/074 POLICY

With one slight amendment, council resolved to adopt the proposed Social Media & Digital Communication Policy.

23/075 CORRESPONDENCE

Important items had already been shared with councillors. There were no further items.

The meeting closed at 8.45pm.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

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