

Minutes of the Meeting
Tuesday 4TH April 2023 – 6.30pm at Friends Meeting House, Hartshill

Councillors: Chairperson Cllr Roberts, Vice-Chairperson Cllr Pearson, Sharp, Thomason, Peart, Chaudry

Apologies: Parker

Absent: None.

In attendance: Borough Councillor Bell, Parish Clerk.

1)- Welcome and apologies

The Chairperson opened the meeting and welcomed those present.

2) Procedural items

Councillors are reminded that they must act solely in the public interest and should never improperly confer an advantage or disadvantage on any person, or act to gain financial or other material benefits for yourself, your family, a friend, or close associate – Noted.

3) Declarations of Interest

In accordance with the Local Government Act 2000, s81 and the Parish Councils (Model code of Conduct) Order 2001, members are asked to declare any personal interest and the nature of that interest which they may have in any of the items under consideration at this meeting as well as any gifts or hospitality received. This requirement applies to elected members and co-opted members – Noted.

4) Chairman's Announcement

In the interests of openness and transparency, Councillors and members of the public are reminded that the law permits any person to film, record, photograph or use social media to report on the proceedings of a meeting of the Council or its Committees when they are open to the public. This does not extend to live verbal commentary. Filming and photography will only be permitted from the area designated. No flash photography or additional lighting should be used without prior consent. Anyone wishing to report on the meeting should notify the Clerk or Chairman so that they can be afforded reasonable facilities. People under the age of eighteen or other members of the public not wishing to be filmed or photographed should notify the Clerk or Chairman and should sit in the area designated for this purpose. Improper conduct or any disruptive behaviour could result in expulsion from the meeting – Noted.

5. Report from County and Borough Councillor Bell

- Reports on Facebook of Kiosk at Hartshill Hayes closing. Warwickshire County Council are committed to keeping it open in some capacity. Currently waiting for a report.
- Toilets at Hartshill Hayes badly vandalised.
- Coronation grants available for up to £500.
- Willow Close planning application refused. Highways agreed the junction on Plough Hill Road needs to be sorted before further development can take place.
- Joe at Hartshill Castle keen to reopen walk around the castle. Cllr Bell to put him in touch with Heritage officer.
- Appeal hearing for Barn Fisheries to take place in June.
- Tarmac Meeting – Quarry does not have to adapt its usual business to accommodate the housing application.
- Complaints have been made about the state of the B411 – road cleaner schedule to be given.
- Liaison meeting with Quarry taken place in Camphill.
- Grange Road development of recreation ground – contractors not there every day. Slow slope needed to accommodate disabled access.
- Woodford Lane bollards need relighting.
- Mancetter Parish Meeting – discussing traffic modelling report on the A5 and traffic diversion through Mancetter.
- Speedbumps through village – no date for installation.

6. Report from PC Hughes and PCSO Jenkins.

- No officer in attendance.
- Report of Crossbow in the Hayes
- A gun shot was heard on apple pie lane (pellet gun hit car by two boys. Reported to police.)

7. Public Question Time

None

8. Accounts for Payment

Invoices amounting to £9294.45 approved for payment. Proposed Pearson, Seconded Thomason.

9. Financial Report

- Financial report Income received: £2247.31.
- Current Balance: £57106.74 Reserve: £168477.57

10. Planning Applications

- Clerk to enquire about second consultation re: Tarmac application to Jeff Brown.

11. Minutes of the last meeting 070323 – Approved – Proposed Sharp, Seconded Roberts.

12. Correspondence. – None to report.

13. Estate

- Snowhill – Fisher German, Tarmac employed to look at Snowhill Wood. Asked if the Parish Council would support a footpath through the wood – yes from Council.
- Cemetery – Would like Barry to keep grass around sign clear. Roses to go in front of Cemetery office.
- Community Centre – still looking for repair person for the conservatory.

14. Staff

Staff appraisals are now due. Council to decide a date.

15. Election

- Councillor Pearson to act as Chair for meeting following election.
- Co-option to take place should there be no further election.

16. Update on Meeting with Travellers

- Meeting took place with representatives from the traveller site along with PC's and Parish and Borough Councillors in an attempt to open communication with the site.

17. Neighbourhood Plan

- To consider updating neighbourhood plan – review will be needed, and a planning consultant hired. Proposed Roberts – Seconded Peart.

18. Christmas Lights

Council to consider battery operated lights and decorations as opposed to getting electricity to that side of the green.

19. Woodford Lane

Further accident took place on Woodford Lane. Bollard lighting raised under Cllr Bells report.

20. Hanging Baskets

Hanging baskets discussed for the village. Maintenance to be looked into and regular watering may be an issue.

21. Meeting with Tarmac

Meeting set for 17th April at 12.30pm – Clerk to request room at the Friends Meeting House to hold it.

Date and Time of Next Meeting - May 9th 6.30pm at Friends Meeting House.

Signed: _____ Date: _____ Reference: _____