



Hapton Parish Council Meeting

Monday, 11th July 2022

Present: Councillor Birbeck (in the Chair) and Councillors Differ, Downham, Fowke and Lakeland.

Others: Steve Watson (Clerk), 2 representatives of Hapton Football Club plus 2 residents.

Parish Council Agenda

Councillor Birbeck welcomed everyone.

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22/23/041 Apology for absence and reasons given		
There were no apologies for absence.		
22/23/042 Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interest / Code of Conduct		
There were no declarations of disclosable pecuniary interest.		
22/23/043 The meeting would be adjourned for Public Participation.		
RESOLVED: That the meeting would be adjourned to welcome comments from members of the public.		
There were no Public Questions in advance and none for the meeting.		
There was no Police report.		
There was no County or Borough Council report		

Councillors were extremely disappointed at the lack of Police, County and Borough Councillor presence or reports and aired their grievances. It was suggested that at least a written report should be sent if people could not attend. Residents were also reminded to report incidents to the Police as more logs means more resources.		
22/23/044 The meeting was formally re-convened for business		
22/23/045 Minutes of the meeting held on the 13th June 2022.		
The minutes of the last meeting were submitted for approval as a correct record.		
RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 13th June 2022 are approved as a correct record.		
22/23/046 Matter Outstanding as listed		
A site visit has been held with the Parks Department regarding the possible Pump Track behind the skatepark and an estimate is £25,000. Funding is to be sought and there are wild orchids in the area that need to be rescued. The Pump Track is to be an agenda item.	Agenda	Clerk
The Hapton Junior Football Club agreement was discussed. The Club just have an issue with the clause stating the grass must be cut every 2 weeks as sometimes they do not have access to the mower. It was agreed that, if there was no access to the mower then the grass wouldn't be cut by the Club, however they would ask Burnley if they could cut it. The Club agreed to notify the Council if unable to do the cut and the Council agreed, in these circumstances, to waive the Clause.		
RESOLVED: That the 2-week grass cutting clause would be flexible around access to the lawnmower.		
The vents have been purchased and just need fitting.		
The Chair will ask the County Councillor to chase up the grass cutting schedule again.	Grass Cutting schedule	TB
The planning for the container is not needed as a location has not yet been agreed and a new location is to be considered.		
An application has been made to Natwest for the bank transfer.		
The Lengthsman is to be asked to repair the allotment fence as an allotment maintenance job.		
22/23/047 Updates		
There were no further updates		

22/23/048 Councillor Reports including reports from representatives of outside bodies		
Community Centre		
The exterior of the Community Centre needs cracks filling, render patching and painting. The Lengthsman is to be asked to do this. The facias also need repairing or replacing.		
22/23/049 Lengthsman		
Grass cutting will continue, however the allotment fence and external repairs to the Community Centre will be added to the list.		
22/23/050 Allotments		
There were no new applications and no one on the waiting list. 1 plot has been let. A use it or loose it letter is to be sent to plot D3.		
22/23/051 Planning		
There were no Planning Applications, the Supplementary Planning Documents have been circulated.		
22/23/052 Finances		
The following invoices were tabled. Bills for payment:		
1.1 Expenditure 1. Clerk's Salary – (Standing Order) Paid £216.13 S/O Paid 2. Bank Charges £23.20 3. TEN License (£21.00 minus overpayment £13.04) £7.96 100751 Paid 4. Jubilee Prized £34.50 100752 Paid 5. HMRC x 2 £114.58 100753 6. Lengthsman £345.00 100754 7. Zurich Insurance £252.00 100755		
Resolved: That the above bills are paid.		
1.1 Income 1. Electricity Northwest £23.71 Bank Balances – Fundraising Account £12,434.65 Expenses Account £38,890.07 Environmental Account £3,819.20 TOTAL £55,143.92		
RESOLVED: That the Budget Monitoring Report, Bank Reconciliation, payment and receipts are approved		
22/23/053 Clerk's Report including Correspondence		
The Clerk's report was noted. It was agreed to decline the Public Rights of Way scheme and it was suggested that the Community Payback Team could be asked to clear pathways.		

The Church have offered a defibrillator. It was agreed that the Council would pay for the upkeep and maintenance, however it will remain in location. Hapton Juniors are to investigate a defibrillator for the Community Centre.		
Signs are still needed for the Community Centre.		
RESOLVED: That the Clerk's Report is noted.		
22/23/054 Events		
The next event is the bonfire which will be on Saturday 5 th November, then it's Remembrance Sunday on the 13 th November and the Christmas light Switch On. The Cenotaph Garden needs tidying up.		
22/23/055 Visual Audits		
The railings on the Cenotaph are rotten, and the Hameldon bin has still not been installed. Overflowing bins are a problem and the Hameldon bin is full again and is a mess in the surrounding area. Bushes on Accrington Road and the Moor Road are encroaching onto the pavements.	Chase AH Railings	CD
22/23/056 Date of next meeting		
Date of the next meeting Monday 12 th September 2022 at 7:00pm, in the Community Centre, Ruskin Grove.		