

Hapton Parish Council

Monday, 11th May 2015

Present: Councillor Birbeck (in the Chair) and Councillors Butterfield, Charlton, Downham,

Greenwood, Kayley and Lakeland.

Others: County Councillor Marcus Johnston, Michael Greenwood (Lengthsman) and Steve

Watson (Clerk).

Parish Council Agenda

Councillor Birbeck opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

15/16/009 Apology for absence and reasons given

Apologies were submitted on behalf of Borough Councillor Jean Cunningham.

15/16/010 Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interest / Code of Conduct

Councillor Kayley declared an interest in Allotments, there were no further declarations of disclosable pecuniary interest.

15/16/011 RESOLVED: That the meeting would be adjourned to welcome comments from members of the public.

There were	no memb	ers of the	public	present.

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The Police Report was presented at the Annual Parish Council meeting.

The County Councillor reported that the bridge is still awaiting an inquest, the manhole cover to the car park has been repaired and potholes have been done. It was noted that there is a rotten drain near lamppost 67 by Bentleywood farm and needs a new cover.

The Borough Councillor reported that work on the football pitches should be starting any day, weather permitted and Simon Goff is now back at work. Additional paperwork is to be chased.

15/16/012 The meeting was formally re-convened for business

15/16/013 Minutes of the last meeting held on the 13th April 2015.

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 April 2015 are approved as a correct record.

15/16/014 Update on Website

The website has been updated and new articles were requested. A link has been provided to the Football Club's website.

15/16/015 Update on Events

Events were on hold until the football pitches had been sorted. It was agreed that a funding bid to the wind farm fund would be made by the Parish Council for £9,000 as matched funding for Football Changing Rooms. Quotes to provide the rooms will be sought from the Borough Council. It was also suggested that the Heritage Group could apply for funding for a Miner's Memorial and heritage day event. The Parish Council would also apply for £800 for fireworks as the bonfire is the next event. The Heritage Group will provide a summer festival in partnership with the Parish Council in 2016.

15/16/016 Councillor Reports including reports from representatives of outside bodies

The pact report was covered earlier, the Heritage group are looking for further projects, pathways marking is 50% completed and a walk to the top of Hambledon Hill has been arranged for the summer. More work is to be carried out on the potential castle site on the 26th-27th June.

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15/16/017 Lengthsman

Mr. Michael Greenwood was welcomed to the meeting as the Parish Lengthsman. A list of jobs was circulated and approved. Planters on top of bus shelters were suggested and a catalogue will be provided at the next meeting. Councillor Kayley will show the Lengthsman the job locations.

15/16/018 Allotments

6 Allotment rents have been received and 1 new application for an allotment. The Allotment hedge needs to be trimmed and this was discussed with the Lengthsman as an additional duty.

15/16/019 Planning

County Councillor Johnston declared an interest in planning issues and took no further part in the discussions.

Planning Application SMD/APP/2015/0139 – erection of 3 no steel silo's adjacent extant approved extension to industrial unit, 3 Boran Court, Hapton.

RESOLVED: That the Parish Council had no comment on the application.

15/16/020 Finances

The following invoices were tabled. Bill's for payment:

Clerk's Salary £178.82 100255 HMRC Clerk's Tax £44.70 100256

Resolved: That the above bills are paid.

The financial reports were circulated and explained, this included a budget monitoring report and a bank reconciliation, and all were approved.

The Maintenance Grant and Precept have been received from the Borough Council. The following bank balances for 30th April were noted.

•	Total	£14,345.59
•	Env. Account	£ 2,023.55
•	Expenses	£10,406.39
•	Fundraising Account	£ 1,915.65

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15/16/021 Clerk's Report including Correspondence

The Clerk's report was noted.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk's Report and correspondence is noted.

15/16/022 Visual Audits

White vans on Simpson Street were again reported but it was noted as they were taxed and MOT'd there was nothing further could be done. Travelers have left a mess and this has been reported to the Borough Council. Poochy Peaches have responded to an email, surveillance cameras were suggested and further monitoring will be carried out.

15/16/168 Date of next meeting

Date of the next meeting Monday 8th June 20156, and will commence at 7:00pm.

The meeting closed at 8:45pm and all present were thanked for attending.