

**HINDLIP, MARTIN HUSSINGTREE AND SALWARPE
PARISH COUNCIL**

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**Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council
of Hindlip, Martin Hussingtree & Salwarpe held at 7.10pm on Monday 15th March 2021**

HELD VIRTUALLY BY ZOOM

Voting Procedure – Alphabetical roll call led by the Chairman

PRESENT: Cllr. P. Oakley (Chair) Cllr. M. Armitage, Cllr. A. Thawley, Cllr. C. Hughes, Cllr. A. Phillips,
Cllr. J. Clarke, Cllr. J Brodrick Cllr J. Hill. Cllr. D Luscombe. Cllr. B. Meddings Cllr. A
Thomas

IN ATTENDANCE E Gallagher (Clerk).
District Councillor N. Wright
County & District Councillor T Miller

No Residents of the Parish

No	Minute	Action
1.	Apologies None	
2 (a).	Declarations of Interest/Code of Conduct	
i)	To Declare any interest None declared	
ii)	To Declare any Dispensations None declared	
iii)	To note the Code of Conduct and requirements of the Transparency Regulations Noted: The Parish Council was now classified intermediate category with greater than £25,000 turnover.	
iv)	To note the Right to Record meetings: Noted.	
v)	To confirm any necessary update to the Register of Interests No update.	
vi)	To note security and privacy of information under the General Data Protection regulations. Noted.	
(b).	Standing Orders & Financial Regulations	
i)	To note Standing Orders Adopted 18 November 2019	
ii)	To note Financial Regulations Adopted 18 November 2019 Amended to include emergency measures 8/7/2020	
iii)	To review any Freedom of Information requests The Clerk reported that there had been no requests for information over the preceding 12 months.	

iv)	<p>To note security and privacy of information under the General Data Protection regulations. Noted</p>	
3.	<p>Minutes</p> <p>a) The Draft Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 18th January 2021 were approved as being a correct record and signed remotely by the Chairman.</p>	
4.	<p>Chairman's Report</p> <p>a) New Homes Bonus (N.H.B/s106 Funds) A New Homes Bonus Funding application for biodiversity enhancement of the Green at Martin Hussingtree had been approved and an amount of £656 had been submitted by Wychavon District Council towards the cost of this project. The Parish Council's N.H.B grant had now been depleted.</p> <p>In addition, an amount of £5320.77 s106 grant had been set aside by Wychavon District Council and a project application for improvement works to Brownheath Common had been made by the Parish Council for the utilisation of this s106 grant. This application had been discussed and supported by a Communities Panel at a meeting on the 8th March and the supported application would be presented to the Executive Board within the next two weeks for sign off.</p> <p>b) Litter Bin Salwarpe Bridge The Chairman thanked County Councillor Miller for awarding a grant of £1000 towards the cost of a replacement litter bin at Salwarpe Bridge. The existing pole mounted bin would be removed and replaced with a large floor mounted litter bin at a cost of £583 plus an additional annual charge for emptying.</p> <p>Salwarpe Bridge had been plagued with debris caused by additional footfall since the beginning of the first Covid lockdown period. The Chairman spoke about a National Initiative supported by Wychavon District Council whereby communities assisted in litter clearance with bags supplied and collected by the District Council. Salwarpe residents had been participating in this initiative.</p> <p>c) Smartwater Francis Bridgewater had replaced Estelle Stock as the Parishes Police Liaison Officer for the Smartwater scheme.</p> <p>Sixty-eight residents of Salwarpe had registered Smartwater kits. One-hundred and seventy-eight registrations were required before parish signage would be provided. The Police Liaison Officer had suggested the pre-registration of one-hundred and ten kits. Concern was expressed with regard to pre-registration in householder names without their express consent. It was therefore agreed that an alternative strategy should be adopted. It was suggested that leaflets could be posted through letter boxes once Covid restrictions had been lifted encouraging residents to participate in the scheme. Posters could be displayed in Salwarpe housing sales offices and an concerted effort should be made towards the new residents of Copcut Rise. It was thought that some residents within development may not appreciate that their habitation was within Salwarpe Parish.</p> <p>The Chairman agreed to discuss with Francis Bridgewater and draft a letter to John Campion requesting support for this on-going scheme.</p>	Chairman
5.	<p>Deputy Chair Report</p> <p>Internal Audit. The clerk had met virtually with DK Edwards on the 23rd February for the purpose of the year's internal audit process. The Parish Council had since been issued with an initial favourable audit report.</p>	
6.	<p>Councillor Reports</p> <p>i) Community Enhancement Tree Planting and Wildflower Scheme (Cllr. A. Phillips) The Chairman was liaising with the contractor to prepare a 7 metre wide strip along Pershore Road and A48 on the Green Martin Hussingtree. He would also organise the purchase of seeds and plugs. Councillor Phillips agreed to organise planting and would contact volunteer residents</p>	

	<p>who had previously agreed to help with seeding. It was agreed that planting should take place in April.</p> <p>ii) Church Lane Martin Hussingtree Highway Repairs (Cllr. C Hughes) County Councillor Miller confirmed that this work had been costed and included on the County Highways Programme of Work schedule. It was anticipated that the resurfacing of this location would be completed by July 2021</p> <p>iii) Superfast Broadband Implementation (Cllr. J. Brodrick) Properties within the Parishes had been omitted from the Superfast initiative. The County website confirmed that properties had been missed. There were diverse reports from councillor's regarding levels of service throughout the parishes. A rural gigabit programme was available which involved grants towards the cost of a resident funded initiative however the cost of this scheme was often considered prohibitive. City Fibre in conjunction with Worcester County Council was aiming to have 100 percent high-speed coverage throughout Worcestershire in 2022. It was reported that PSTN would be obsolete in 2025. County Councillor Miller would be speaking with the Superfast Team about these issues on the 16th March 2021.</p> <p>iv) Mobile Lighting Worcester Warriors Rugby Club (Cllr.J.Brodrick) It was reported that mobile generator lighting had been used on the Worcester Warriors training pitches on the 12th April 2021. Planning permission had not been granted for permanent lighting and so the clerk was asked to contact the relevant planning officer to elicit whether permission had been sought for mobile lighting.</p> <p>v) South Worcestershire Development Plan (Cllr B. Meddings) The clerk had circulated a report drafted by Councillor Meddings (pre- meeting) giving an update on progress of the SWDP. Many greenbelt, SSI's and ancient woodland sites had been rejected by the panel. The plan period 2021-2041 is due for adoption in 2023. (see appx 1)</p>	<p>CC Miller</p> <p>Clerk</p>
7.	Salwarpe Village Hall Committee Report (Council Representative - Cllr.J.Hill – Councillor Hill reported that the Hall remained closed due to Covid-19 restrictions. It was anticipated that the hall would reopen in April 2021 if circumstances allowed.	
8.	<p>Reports by District Councillors</p> <p>i) Boundary Review – District Councillor N. Wright</p> <p>District Councillor Wright gave the following update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • District Councillors to be reduced from 45 to 43 to bring it into align with other Councils. • Average number of voters per Councillor would be 2500 +/- 10% • Number of voters in Lovett & North Claines at the moment was 5547 rising to an estimated 6184 by 2026. i.e. 23% higher than average. • Increase mainly due to Copcut estate and North Claines Gwillams farm development. • Need to reduce size of ward councillor numbers.(or increase numbers and have an extra Councillor in Lovett & North Claines ward. • Wychavon preference not to split parishes, but to move whole parishes into other wards • Wychavon were awaiting the software to start a review on warding patterns. • Warding consultation to be carried out between July 14th and Sept 21st. • Draft recommendations to be published on February 1st 2022 • Final recommendations July 5th 2022 <p>District Councillor Wright asked that evidence-based comments be sent to him within the next three weeks. A deadline for response had been given as the 2nd April however this was likely to move. He informed the meeting that he had advised the relevant department that the three parishes of Hindlip, Martin Hussingtree and Salwarpe wished to remain without change of situation or status Councillor Meddings agreed to email P. Curry to clarify the amended deadlines and to draft a response to be circulated to all councillors prior to submission.</p>	<p>DC Wright/ Cllr Meddings</p>
	ii) Traffic Signal Issues Copcut/Pulley Lane Councillor Hill reported problems with the traffic signals at Pulley Lane. County Councillor Miller informed the meeting that Adrian Tuck was currently in discussion with Persimmon, assessing on-	CC Miller

	<p>going/completed work and the operation of the traffic management systems. It was anticipated that all work should be completed by the end of March. The County Council had made representations about aspects of the work and adjustments to the pedestrian green light crossing and radar sensor for bicycles had been requested. The developer remained in control of the development and the road structure would not be adopted by the County Council until all issues had been addressed.</p> <p>iii) Highways A38 Martin Hussingtree to Fernhill Heath Work to continue until May 2021 on Hurst Lane traffic signals and resurfacing of A38 fronting The Sling new housing development.</p> <p>Traffic Lights at Martin Hussingtree/ Virtual Bus Stops Copcut The following issues were reported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drag race situation where two lanes merge into one at Martin Hussingtree traffic lights. Accident hotspot. • Problems regarding the lack of reinstatement of bus signage at Copcut and provision of of suitable area for the installation of a physical stopping area. Passengers had been refused permission to alight due to the absence of appropriate signage. Adrian Tuck would be made aware of these issues. <p>iv) Community Halls Grants were available for insulation and power saving devices. Cllr. Hill would inform Mrs C. Luscombe and District Councillor Miller would email the Village Hall.</p>	<p>CC Miller</p> <p>Cllr.Hill/ DC Miller</p>
9.	<p>Progress on Items form the Minutes of 20th January 2020 No urgent updates – In abeyance</p>	
10.	<p>Finance</p> <p>a) Review and ratification of payments made and received since the last meeting (see Appendix 1) Approved</p> <p>b) Report on year to date expenditure compared to budget Agreed</p> <p>c Parish Council Maintenance Contract 2021/2022 Top Cut Ltd had been appointed as the Parish Councils maintenance contractor and agreements had been signed.</p>	
11.	<p>Planning Consultations - Appendix 2-4</p> <p>a) Planning Applications Noted</p> <p>b) Enforcements and Appeals</p> <p>c) Temporary Granted Permissions Noted.</p>	
12.	<p>Councillor Reports and Items for Future Agendas</p> <p>i) Brownheath Common - Councillor J.Hill:</p>	
13.	<p>Items Carried Forward for Noting</p> <p>a) Defibrillator</p> <p>(i) Renewal of Battery due November 2022. (ii) Pads expiry date June 2022 (iii) Warranty of AED expiry April 2024.</p>	

<p>b)</p> <p>c)</p>	<p>Memorial Land. Possessory Title 2024. Possessory title to be finalised with Land Registry.</p> <p>Pensions Regulator. Auto enrolment compliance. Re-declaration made 6th March 2020. Next redeclaration due March 2023.</p>	
<p>14.</p>	<p>Date of Next Meeting A virtual Annual Meeting of the Parish Council to be held on the 5th May 2021 at 7.00pm. Details of which to be inserted on the Parish Council's website.</p>	

No Police Incident Report available for the duration of the pandemic

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.20pm.

Signed..... Date Chairman

TOWN & PARISH COUNCILS BRIEFING
ON UPDATED SUSTAINABILITY APPRAISAL
Virtual Meeting 1st March 2021
Report by Councillor Barbara Meddings

The briefing provided details of the public consultation on the postponed Updated Sustainability Appraisal to take place from 1st March to 19th April 2021.

The consultation is not a further opportunity to make comments or submit views on specific site allocations for housing, employment land or policies. The material published relates to updating of the Appraisal and clarification on preferred options and policies where omissions have been identified from the previous sustainability appraisal carried out in November/December 2019.

The Government also required South Worcestershire to build 14,000 additional homes by 2041. The proposed site locations in response to the requirement:

WYCHAVON

Worcester Parkway (Garden Town): 5,000 homes and employment land with potential to build a further 5,000 homes post 2041.

Throckmorton Airfield: 2,000 homes and 10 ha employment, with a new road linked to Pershore Railway Station.

Rushwick: 1,000 homes, 10 ha employment developed around a new railway station, development will not commence until new railway station is opened.

Droitwich: 730 homes, 30 ha employment land:

Evesham: 210 homes, 50 ha employment land. **Pershore:** 660 homes, 2 ha employment land

WORCESTER CITY:

1,560 homes across three locations: Diglis; Shrub Hill; Dines Green/University.

MALVERN HILLS:

Malvern: 778 homes, 84 ha employment land – **Upton** on Severn 50 homes.

Tenbury Wells: 61 homes.

REMAINING BALANCE of 1274 homes:

Malvern Hills 76 homes – Wychavon 1207 homes in category 1-3 villages - based on level of availability of services and bus provision.

SWDPR REVISED TIMETABLE:

2021 March/April: Consultation on Preferred Options Sustainability Appraisal

2021 October/November: Publication of Preferred Options. **Public Consultation.**

2022 February/March: Submission to the Planning Inspectorate.

2022 May/January 2023: Examination by Planning Inspectorate.

2023 March: Issue of Inspector's Report on SWDPR.

2023 April: Adoption of the South Worcestershire Development Plan 2021-2041.