

Hill & Moor Parish Council

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting

held in Lower Moor Village Hall on

Thursday 1st December 2016 at 7pm

Present Cllrs M. Yarnold (Chair), P. Jeanes, T. Betteridge, P. Hartley, Mrs A. Jeanes and Mrs S. Roberts

Also present: J. Adams, Clerk; 2 members of the public (during public questions)

1. Apologies: Apologies had been received from County and District Cllr E. Tucker.

2. Declarations of Interest: There were none.

The meeting was adjourned for Public Question Time

Notes can be found at the end of these minutes.

3. Minutes: It was agreed that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting of the 3rd November 2016 were a true and accurate record.

4. District and County Councillors reports

Cllr Tucker had sent apologies; Cllr Yarnold had spoken to her earlier in the day. He reported that a new proposal for the pub car parking was awaited and then planning officers would assess what parking solution it offered to patrons. In the meantime, the Highways comment was awaited.

5. Progress reports

- a) Playing Field and mowing: Cllr P. Jeanes reported on the planting day. New trees had been planted on the edge of the playing field. Regarding the mowing, it was decided to obtain costs for getting the small mower up and running. Cllr Hartley would supply contact details.
- b) Play area: Nothing further to report at the moment.
- c) PACT: The next meeting would take place in February 2017.
- d) Flood / Drainage: The County Council's contractor had jetted the drains in Bridge Street and dealt with the damaged gully under the bridge. Additional drainage gullies would be put in place to help alleviate problems.
- e) Footpaths: The footpath sign at Blacksmith Lane needed reinstating. Hedging had been put up by the fence but the gap between the path and the property still remained.
- f) Village Hall: The redecoration of the hall was admired by all. It was noted that the Bookings Clerk and Secretary to the Village Hall Committee was stepping down from the role and the Council acknowledged her sterling contribution to the smooth running of the hall.
- g) Neighbourhood Watch: Nothing to report at the moment but would be revisited in the new year with a view to alerting the community about the proposed presentation at the Annual meeting.
- h) Landfill Site: The meeting had taken place in mid-November. Minutes had been circulated.

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- i) Lengthsman: The lengthsman had reported damage to the barriers at Hill Furze again. The County Council would be contacted to repair and hopefully strengthen the barriers. Cllr Yarnold would get in touch with the lengthsman to arrange cutting back the overgrowth around the culvert in Robin Hood lane.
- j) New Homes Bonus: Nothing to report at this time.
- k) Newsletter: The Christmas newsletter was nearing completion and would be sent to the printers in the next week.
- l) Bus service: No report. It was noted that the bus shelter perspex had gone missing.

6. Planning

a) New planning applications:

- 16/000032/CM: Hill and Moor Landfill Site, Piddle Brook Lane, Wyre Piddle
Proposal: Proposed operation of an Incinerator Bottom Ash (IBA) Processing and Recovery Facility

The process involved recovering metals from ash from the Hartlebury incinerator and would take place twice a year for 6 weeks' duration each time. The Council resolved to support the application.

- b) Wychavon District Council Decisions: There were none.
- c) Planning Correspondence and Information: Minuted at Public Questions and item 4.

7. **To discuss the Wychavon Community Recognition Awards 2016/17:** It was resolved not to donate towards the scheme.
8. **To receive an update on the installation of the power supply on the playing field:** Cllr P. Jeanes reported that the brick housing had been built and the doors were awaited. It was hoped that Western Power would be able to do the groundworks for the new supply the following Monday and return to complete after the doors had been put on to secure the brick housing. The electrician would need to connect Western Power's supply to the new box and then Npower would have to put in the electricity meter after this. Cllr Yarnold would contact the electrician as Cllr Jeanes would be away.
9. **To discuss a village Christmas tree:** The Council considered that a tree of 10 – 12ft would be suitable. Low voltage exterior lights would also need to be purchased. A budget of up to £400 was agreed. Parishioners had helpfully replied to the Council's email regarding local suppliers and these would be followed up.
10. **To respond to a consultation on the removal of the phone box in May Tree Road:** The phone box had been used to make 58 calls in the last year. The Council decided that it would not object to the disconnection of the phone service but that it would like to retain the red phone box exterior and ideally retain working interior lights. A note on the consultation would be put in the newsletter in case any residents wished to respond.

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11. Finance: To report on the financial situation of the Parish Council and to approve cheques for payment

Income since last report

Lloyds Bank	Bank Interest (November)	0.41
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Cheques for approval

			Cheque	
Oliver Kaye	Tree work on field	150.00	1074	
Npower - streetlighting	1/7/16 - 30/9/16 Contract 2 and 3	219.44	1075	inc. VAT
Grant Thornton	External Audit 2015/16	150.00	1076	inc. VAT
J. Adams	Salary November '16	221.64	1077	
J Adams	Allowances: Phone/Computer Nov '16	17.50	1078	

Balances as at 1/12/2016

Current account balance	18,028.30	
Savings account balance	10,018.36	(£10,000 Flood Alleviation)
Total cash assets	28,046.66	

The Council resolved to approve the cheques for payment.

12. Correspondence for Information: There was none.

13. Clerk's report: The Clerk reported that the bank had added Cllr Yarnold as a signatory to the Council's accounts. The deadline for precept requests to Wychavon would be the 3rd February.

14. Councillors' reports and items for future agenda: Items for next agenda – Tree inspections.

15. Date of next meeting: Thursday 19th January 2017. There would be no February meeting.

Public Questions

Two parishioners attended at Public Questions. The pub was discussed. Highways had not commented on the planning application. The pub owners had declared their intention to move the majority of the animals to a location in Derbyshire.

A parishioner noted that a sign advertising caravan pitches had appeared on the main road. This had been referred to the District Council as the site was residential rather than for holiday accommodation. It was reported that the planning officer at Wychavon had concerns that there was insufficient spacing between caravans on the site.