

Hill & Moor Parish Council

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting

held in Lower Moor Village Hall on

Thursday 8th March 2018 at 7pm

Present: Cllrs M. Yarnold (Chair), P. Jeanes, Mrs A. Jeanes, D. Saunders and T. Betteridge

Also present: J. Adams, Clerk; 1 member of the public

1. Apologies: Apologies had been received from County 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 11th January 2018 were a true and accurate record.

4. District and County Councillors reports: Cllr Tucker had sent apologies. Cllr Yarnold reported on her behalf that conditions had been set on the planning approval for Hill and Moor Meadows following the Parish Council's letter.

5. Parish Councillors reports: Cllr A. Jeanes reported that a parishioner had requested a sign at the top of Bridge Street to indicate that there is no turning circle for HGVs. Cllr Yarnold would add this to the things to be discussed on the walkabout with Highways that Cllr Tucker was organising. Cllr Yarnold reported that the recently installed gate at the entrance to the field off Maytree Road had gone missing. Cllr P. Jeanes noted that the dog waste bins in the village were again overflowing, with the one at Robin Hood Way a particular problem. Cllr Betteridge would make enquiries of the District Council. Cllr Yarnold reported that Hana, who was principal organiser of the bonfire, was leaving the village and more volunteers would need to be found. He would talk to the fireworks organiser and a request would be made at the Annual Meeting for volunteers.

6. Progress reports

- a) Playing Field and mowing: Issues of moles and football posts appearing later on the agenda. The length of time remaining on the grass-cutters contract to be ascertained, as this would need renewing soon.
- b) Play area: Nothing to report.
- c) PACT: Had now been disbanded.
- d) Flood / Drainage: New pipework was being installed in Blacksmiths Lane by the developers, which was possibly related to the recent discovery of a broken water pipe.
- e) Footpaths: A tree that had fallen over the path by Hill and Moor Meadows had been cut back to allow access.
- f) Village Hall: Nothing to report.
- g) Neighbourhood Watch: The list of Smartwater sales would be distributed so that the last few could be sold, and Cllr Yarnold would chase up a couple of sales for payment. Cllr Saunders had found

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volunteers who would be co-ordinators for the new Neighbourhood Watch scheme. The 2004 parish plan, which detailed the list of co-ordinators at the time, would be distributed to councillors.

- h) Landfill Site: The next meeting would take place next Tuesday.
- i) Lengthsman: The posts into the grass verge opposite Gibbs Close had been installed. The area would now likely be strimmed rather than mown.
- j) Newsletter: To include notice of the Annual Meeting and an update on the playing field projects.
- k) Report from NHB /S106 Group: Cllr P. Jeanes would chase up the electrician for a quote for the electrical work required to put lights across the playing field. The path project was discussed at item 11.

7. Planning

- a) New planning applications:

18/00325/HP	Rowan House, Salters Lane, Lower Moor, WR10 2PQ	Proposed extension & alterations to existing two-storey dwelling
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The Council had no objection to the application.

- b) Wychavon District Council Decisions:

17/02429/FUL	Duffledown Farm, Wyre Piddle Bypass, Upper Moor, WR10 2JR Proposal: Application for a material change of use of land for stationing of caravans for residential occupation by up to 8 families, with associated hard standing, fencing, package treatment plan and utility buildings (part retrospective)
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Decision: Approved

- c) Planning Correspondence, Information and Issues: Hill and Moor Meadows: Planning conditions had included ensuring adequate sewerage arrangements but not the provision of a turning circle.

Duffledown: The Council agreed that a meeting would be requested with Wychavon to discuss how they intended to ensure that unauthorised sites were not automatically given permission due to the inadequacy of available sites in the district.

Residential site: The site had never been given proper permission and the Council believed that this should be put right. A Freedom of information request had been made of Wychavon to find out what the status of the site was, and a response had been received. The Council would review the correspondence received and consider its response.

- 8. **To discuss moles on the football pitch:** The Council agreed that action should be taken to sort out the molehills on the football pitch. A contractor had indicated that the molehills were likely to be caused by a single mole. Having said that, there were molehills in several other locations on the field and verge. These would be monitored.
- 9. **To consider Applications for Co-option:** This item was deferred.
- 10. **To consider renewing the net brackets on the football posts:** It was agreed that the net brackets should be renewed.

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- 11. Update on progress of the perimeter path:** Cllr P. Jeanes reported that he and Cllr Yarnold had looked at paths constructed out of planings and come to the conclusion that the material was probably not suitable for the playing field. A quote had been obtained for self-binding gravel which would be £2,000 more expensive but was still within the confines of the grant. The quotation was for £19,620 which included moving the spoil to a specified place on the field. Cllr Betteridge proposed that the Council go forward with the self-binding gravel path. Seconded by Cllr A. Jeanes and agreed. Cllr P. Jeanes would talk to Severn Waste about an upfront payment of half the grant value.
- 12. To discuss refurbishment of and uses for the phone box:** It was suggested that councillors make a trip to Bishampton to see what had been done there with their own phone box. Cllr A. Jeanes to get photos and investigate information boards. Costs would be obtained for painting and glazing.

13. Finance:

a) To report on the financial situation of the Parish Council and to approve cheques for payment

Income since last report

	Received from	Details	Total £
30/01/2018	Crowle Searchers	Hire playing field 2017/18	350.00
09/01/2018	Lloyds Bank	Bank Interest - January 2018	0.40
09/02/2018	Lloyds Bank	Bank Interest - February 2018	0.43

Cheques for approval

Date	Payee	Detail	£ inc VAT
31/01/2018	J. Adams	Salary Jan '17	226.00
31/01/2018	J Adams	Allowances: Phone/Computer Jan '18	17.50
22/02/2018	Getmapping Plc	Parish Online - mapping software licence	36.00
22/02/2018	Npower	Power supply 1/10/17 - 11/12/17	20.42
22/02/2018	T. Hodges	Open Spaces maintenance January 2018	28.00
22/02/2018	T. Hodges	Lengthsman work January 2018	133.00
28/02/2018	J. Adams	Salary Feb '17	226.00
28/02/2018	J Adams	Allowances: Phone/Computer Feb '18	17.50

Balance as at 22/2/2018

Current account balance 19,284.06

Balance as at 22/2/2018

Savings account balance 10,024.65

(£10,000 Flood Alleviation)

Total cash assets

29,308.71

It was resolved to approve the cheques for payment.

14. Correspondence for Information:

The following had been received and circulated:

- Notification of a consultation on proposed traveller sites

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- Notification of the next Chairman's meeting from Crothorne Parish Council – the Council decided that it would not continue with its membership of this group as it wished to focus its efforts on local issues.
- Notification of a briefing on the SWDP
- Notification of the Spring Parish Conference at County Hall
- Response from Wychavon to the Council's Freedom of Information request regarding the Hill and Moor Residential site
- Response from Nigel Huddleston MP following the Council's letter regarding its concerns over the recent planning application for Duffledown Farm
- Invitation to the LGA Peer Review Challenge at Wychavon

15. Clerk's report: The ownership of the BT phone box had now passed to the Parish Council.

16. Date of next meeting and items for next agenda: The next meeting would take place on Thursday 5th April 2018. The Annual Parish meeting would take place on the 19th April, subject to confirmation. For the next agenda: a new sign for Upper Moor; to discuss Phase 2 of the S106 / NHB funds and projects for this; co-option of councillors; consultation on proposed traveller sites.

The meeting was closed at 9.05pm.

Public Questions

There were none.