

Hill & Moor Parish Council

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting

held in Lower Moor Village Hall on

Thursday 3rd May 2018 at 7pm

Present: Cllrs M. Yarnold (Chair), P. Jeanes, Mrs A. Jeanes, Mrs P. Stone and S. Vaughan

Also present: J. Adams, Clerk; 1 member of the public (during Public Questions)

- 1. Election of the Chairman:** Cllr P. Jeanes nominated Cllr Yarnold as Chairman. The nomination was seconded by Cllr A. Jeanes. There were no other nominations and Cllr Yarnold was duly elected as Chairman and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.
- 2. Apologies:** Apologies had been received from Cllrs D. Saunders and T. Betteridge.
- 3. Declarations of Interest:** There were none.
- 4. Election of the Vice-Chairman:** Cllr Yarnold nominated Cllr P. Jeanes as Vice-Chairman. The nomination was seconded by Cllr Stone. There were no other nominations and Cllr P. Jeanes was duly elected as Vice-Chairman.

*The meeting was adjourned for Public Question Time
Notes can be found at the end of these minutes.*

- 5. To confirm or amend the bank signatories:** Cllrs A. Jeanes, Betteridge and Yarnold confirmed they were happy to continue.
- 6. To confirm members of the Urgent Decisions Group:** Confirmed as Cllr Yarnold, Cllr P. Jeanes and the Clerk.
- 7. To confirm or appoint representatives of outside bodies**
 - a) PACT: No representative allocated.
 - b) Fladbury Glasshouses: Did not appear to meet. No representative allocated. Cllr P. Jeanes would make contact to find out if meetings were still required /taking place.
 - c) Neighbourhood Watch: Deferred
 - d) Landfill Site: Cllr Betteridge
 - e) Village Hall: Cllr A. Jeanes
 - f) Worcestershire CALC: No representative allocated.

In addition, Cllrs Stone and Vaughan agreed to marshal at the annual bonfire event. Cllr Stone also volunteered Mr Stone.

- 8. Minutes:** It was agreed that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting of the 5th April 2018 were a true and accurate record.
- 9. District and County Councillors reports:** Cllr Tucker was not present.

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10. Parish Councillors reports: Cllr Yarnold reported that new molehills had appeared on the pitch and he would check again the following day and Saturday.

11. Progress reports

- a) Playing Field and mowing: A complaint had been received regarding cut grass on the playing field. Cllr Jeanes reported that a contact at Sandfields Farm had mentioned a mower that was up for sale and would the Parish Council be interested? It was a cylinder cut mower and the current owner would service it.
- b) Play area: A rope was loose on the climber at the play area and Mr Hodges, who carried out the inspections, had removed it until suitable fixings could be found. It was agreed to engage R. Wheway to carry out the annual inspection on the play area, which would take place in November. In the meantime, the regular play inspections would be formalised and records of these kept.
- c) Flood / Drainage: The lengthsman had reported debris from a nearby house renovation project being thrown in a ditch in Salters Lane. Cllr Yarnold had visited but not found anyone at home.
- d) Footpaths: Another gate at May Tree Road had appeared. Arrangements for access for the grasscutters would need to be made. Quad bikes had been seen driving along the footpath.
- e) Village Hall: Nothing to report.
- f) Neighbourhood Watch: Nothing to report.
- g) Landfill Site: Nothing to report.
- h) Lengthsman: Had reported that the rubbish bin by the bus shelter was damaged.
- i) Newsletter: The next publication date was mooted as July with items potentially: volunteers for the bonfire; broadband; thanks to Severn Waste for funding the path; the next phase re applications for Section 106 funds; asking people to keep their shrubs cut back from pavements.
- j) Report from NHB /S106 Group: The application for New Homes Bonus funds had been sent off and would be discussed by the panel on the 14th May.

12. Planning

- a) New planning applications:

18/00477/FUL	Hill Moor, Manor Road, Lower Moor, WR10 2NZ	Proposed construction of 1x 4-bed, 2-storey dwelling and 1x 2-bed, single-storey bungalow (residential use), both with detached garage, private side and rear gardens, new access road (with passing bay) and hardstanding to dwelling fronts.
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The Council resolved to object to the planning application. The existing property Hillmoor had a maximum capacity for two parked cars and the residents in the proposed new properties would have to manoeuvre past these cars to exit from the driveway. There appeared to be no provision for visitors' cars and was also no capacity for on-street parking. The site was located on a bend which was blind and narrow, and the road was increasingly busy due to the new development along Blacksmiths Lane.

- b) To receive Decision Notices – there were none.
- c) To note or discuss Planning Correspondence, Information and Issues: There were none.

13. To discuss refurbishment costs for the phone box: It was resolved to purchase replacement glass panels and fit them into the existing frames.

14. To discuss the addition of yellow lines to the junction of Manor Road and May Tree Road: The item was deferred.

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

Income since last report

	Received from	Details	Total £
09/04/2018	Lloyds Bank	Bank Interest	0.43
18/04/2018	Severn Waste Enviro Fund	1st half grant for path	10,000.00
19/04/2018	Wychavon District Council	1st half precept 2018/19	5,808.00
19/04/2018	Wychavon District Council	1st half grant payment 2018/19	443.00

Cheques for approval

Date	Payee	Detail	£ inc VAT
01/04/2018	Worcestershire CALC	Subscription 2018/19	413.20
10/04/2018	Smart Cut	Grasscutting 5/4/18	60.00
24/04/2018	Smart Cut	Grasscutting 16/4/18	197.76
30/04/2018	T. Hodges	Lengthsman work tbc	tbc
30/04/2018	J. Adams	Salary Apr '18	230.66
30/04/2018	J. Adams	Allowances: Phone/Computer Apr '18	17.50
30/04/2018	T. Hodges	Open Spaces Maintenance	49.00

Balance as at 30/4/2018

Current account balance 34,539.45

Balance as at 30/4/2018

Savings account balance 10,025.46
(£10,000 Flood Alleviation)

Total cash assets 44,564.91

16. Correspondence for Information: From the District Council: a letter regarding Community Led Housing; a reply regarding the Parish Council's query into the Upper Moor residential site. From residents: a query regarding the Blacksmiths Lane development – Cllr Yarnold had followed this up with the resident; complaint over grass on the field – the Clerk had sent a reply.

17. Clerk's report: Covered in conjunction with earlier items.

18. Date of next meeting and items for next agenda: Thursday 7th June 2018. For the next agenda: Wychavon's reply to the query on the Upper Moor residential site; yellow lines at Cherry Orchard Road /Manor Road junction; launch event for new path; mower purchase.

The meeting was closed at 9.40pm.

Public Questions

A parishioner spoke about his concerns over the planning development at Hillmoor, on the current agenda for discussion. The changes to the application had reduced the intrusive nature of the development (at least for his

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own household) but he was concerned over the inadequate parking provision and danger posed by vehicles exiting onto the road at a point which was narrow and on a bend.

He also spoke of the ongoing problem caused by a drain near his property. It has been ascertained some time in the past that the sewage pipe was only 6" in diameter and served the whole of Blacksmiths Lane and now the new houses too. On occasion it would flood; the water looked clear so children would splash through it in their wellies, but it rose up from the sewer. He had communicated with Severn Trent Water on many occasions and people had come to look but no action appeared to have been taken.

Blacksmiths Lane development: A pipe had been disrupted by the developers; they had not acknowledged this but had replaced the pipe. There had also been some remedial work done to electrical connections. The works to the road were due to be completed by the end of July. The site now appeared to be only partially manned and so progress had slowed. There had been some recent issues with empty sacks and general detritus left on the site blowing around in the wind but the developer had been quick to respond to complaints about this.

The parishioner reported that local broadband was poor. It was suggested that a note be put into the next newsletter to ask people's opinion on their broadband service.