

Hill & Moor Parish Council

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting

held in Lower Moor Village Hall on

Thursday 1st June 2017 at 7pm

Present Cllrs P. Jeanes (Acting Chair), Mrs A. Jeanes, P. Hartley, D. Saunders and T. Betteridge

Also present: J. Adams, Clerk; County Cllr E. Tucker; 2 members of the public

- 1. Apologies:** Apologies had been received from Cllrs M. Yarnold and Mrs S. Roberts.
- 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 May 2017 were a true and accurate record.

4. District and County Councillors reports

Cllr Tucker reported on the enforcement notice regarding the Chestnut Tree Inn (Change of Use): the notice was issued at the end of May. The applicant had the right to appeal until the end of June. If this was not forthcoming (and as the applicant had now vacated the premises an appeal looked unlikely) then there would be 3 months in which to remove the unauthorised animals and cages from the pub car park. Cllr Tucker had met with the new landlady and reported that a fire inspection had been carried out.

Hill and Moor Meadows: there had been a visible reduction in the number of caravans on the site already and the deadline for removal was the end of June. The unauthorised amenity block was required to be moved by the 3rd July, as was the chalet. CCTV pole: the Planning Dept had indicated that this was not a breach but prior discussions had suggested that a concreted-in pole of that height would be covered by planning regulations – Cllr Tucker to check. Barrier at entrance: this formed part of the second enforcement order. The Enforcement Dept was also looking at the landscaping to ensure compliance. Sewage issue: no update on this. Environmental Health had taken no action. There was a query as to whether the one septic tank was adequate for all the caravans on the site but as many of them had been unauthorised and required to move, this may resolve itself.

Cllr Tucker reported that the first meeting since the election had taken place on the 1st May. There had been some teething troubles with the new outsourced schools finance contract with difficulties for schools with payments and financial transactions generally.

Cllr Betteridge asked the outcome of the consultation for the new Aldi supermarket at Pinvin Cross.

5. Progress reports

- Playing Field and mowing: Grass-cutting and strimming continued and two more mowing volunteers had come on board. The Council had received one tree quote of £300 to carry out the urgent tree works and a second tree surgeon would be contacted. The Council agreed that the works could go ahead if necessary before the next meeting up to a value of £325.

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- b) Play area: Nothing to report.
- c) PACT: Cllr Tucker confirmed that police attendance at PACT meetings would continue despite the loss of the current officer to the Pershore Rural Team.
- d) Flood / Drainage: A revised proposal had been put together by Jim Tapp for sorting out the bottleneck in drainage pipework where a narrow section of pipe sat between two of much larger diameter (the matter was complicated by the offending section of pipe being located under a building on private land). Cllr Tucker agreed to set up a meeting between Wychavon officers, Mr Tapp and representatives of the Parish Council.
- e) Footpaths: Nothing to report.
- f) Village Hall: The new tap would be installed in the coming week.
- g) Neighbourhood Watch: 15 Smart Water packs had been requested and the redemption codes were awaited. It was suggested that a new Neighbourhood Watch be set up from scratch given the red tape involved in finding out membership of the previous scheme.
- h) Landfill Site: The next meeting was scheduled for the 10th July.
- i) Lengthsman: Nothing to report.
- j) Newsletter: Nothing to report.

6. Planning

- a) New planning applications:

17/00985/FUL	Field Off, Blacksmiths Lane, Lower Moor	Residential development of 11 dwellings, including associated access, garaging and landscaping not in accordance with condition 7 of permission Ref. 16/00779 with regards to the water management statement - new revision proposed.
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The amendment concerned the drainage arrangements; the water table was too high for soakaways. However, there was no detail on what alternative solution was proposed. It was resolved to ask the Planning Dept for further information.

17/00941/HP	Oldacre, Salters Lane, Lower Moor	Demolition of single-storey extension and construction of new two-storey extension to north elevation.
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The Parish Council had no objection to the proposal for Oldacre.

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

- 7. **To discuss anti-vandalism paint for the container and electrical cabinet:** There had been reports that people had been climbing on the top of the container and the new brick electrical cabinet so anti-vandal paint had been suggested. The paint is a non-drying sticky coating so signs would need to be put up to warn anyone not to climb up. There was some discussion on whether it would itself create an additional hazard. It was agreed to ask the opinion of the insurer.
- 8. **To discuss Field Day:** Confirmation was awaited on the Fire Engine. There would be some games for the smaller children. Cllr Saunders reported a shortage of volunteers and asked for help in finding more helpers for the day. Litterpickers would be borrowed from Wychavon.
- 9. **To discuss projects and consultation on NHB and Section 106 funds:** Cllr Jeanes reported that he had met with a playground supplier and also with the people who put in place the Honeybourne games area. He had asked local children who travelled on the school bus what sort of equipment they would like to see on the

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field – a zip-wire and basket swing were popular choices. The idea of a multi-use games area was also welcomed. Residents had noted that there was currently nothing in the play area for teenagers. Cllr Jeanes was keen to meet up with Wychavon to find out more detail on what the different funding pots could be put towards.

- 10. To discuss the use of the field for a Charity cricket match and the waiving of fees:** It was resolved to waive the field hire fees for the charity cricket match.

11. Finance

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

Income since last report

Lloyds Bank	Bank Interest - May 2017	0.40
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Cheques for approval

			Cheque
H&W First Responders	Donation for training	100.00	1118
Malvern Hills District Council	Printing newsletters Easter 2017	102.00	1119
Wychavon District Council	Dog bin emptying and cleaning	238.65	1120
Npower	Streetlighting Contract 2 & 3: 1/1/17 - 31/3/17	71.39	1121
J. Adams	Salary May '17	221.64	1122
J Adams	Allowances: Phone/Computer May '17	17.50	1122

Balance as at 08/05/2017

Current account balance	21,964.70
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Balance as at 10/04/2017

Savings account balance	10,020.45
	(£10,000 Flood Alleviation)

Total cash assets	31,985.15
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It was resolved to approve the cheques for payment.

- b) To approve the Accounts for 2016/17:** It was resolved to approve the Accounts for 2016/17.
c) To approve the Annual Governance Statement for 2016/17: It was resolved to approve the Annual Governance Statement for 2016/17.
d) To approve the Annual Return for 2016/17: It was resolved to approve the Annual Return for 2016/17.

- 12. Correspondence for Information:** A letter from the new Land Drainage officer had been received. It was agreed to contact the officer.

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- 13. Clerk's report:** The football pitch had been booked for the 10th June. It had been confirmed that the County Council webpages would remain.
- 14. Councillors' reports and items for future agenda:** For next meeting – second defibrillator; ongoing maintenance of the playing field; to create a New Homes Bonus/S106 working group; climbing wall event; creation of a new Neighbourhood Watch scheme.
- 15. Date of next meeting:** To confirm the date of the next meeting – Thursday 6th July 2017

The meeting was closed at 9.55pm.

Public Questions

Mr Andy Worth attended the meeting as the 'Moorfest' organiser to tell the Council of the arrangements. Six acts would be performing between 11am and 5pm on Field Day. Cllr Jeanes confirmed that a Temporary Events Notice had been organised and flyers distributed to residents in the village and further afield. Funds raised would be donated to Breast Cancer Care.