

HARPLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held, after due notice, on Thursday 22nd October 2020 at 7.30 pm. in the Village Hall. Safer Workplace guidance was complied with and risk assessment conducted prior to the meeting.

- 125/20 Present:** Cllrs B Chandler (Chairman), J Pocklington, P Peak, S Rose, N Steed and Clerk (C Boyden)
- 126/20 Apologies:** Cllrs T Cable, A Case, D Burr. (work commitments)
Borough Cllr James Moriarty, County Councillor M Chenery of Horsbrugh
- 127/20 To receive declarations of interest from members in any item discussed.**
None
- 128/20 Minutes** of the meeting held on Thursday 24th September 2020 were confirmed as being a true record of the proceedings and were signed by the Chairman.
Proposed: Cllr Rose. All present agreed.
- Matters arising from the minutes 24th September 2020***
- 129/20 Minute 113/20 Brick Yard Lane***
Cllr Peak gave an update following his visit to the area and asked what is the objective for the area? To maintain it requires regular fortnightly/monthly and has become very overgrown since the Community Payback team had to stop visiting. Cllr Peak has completed some strimming but suggested a slight cut back to enable a wild area is allowed for wildlife. Cllr Steed stated that some years ago, the area was left to its own devices as a wild area. Cllr Pocklington advised that the top part should be kept under control with the seating and there were suggestions for a picnic area with benches on the “school area” but this is now overgrown. The original plan with the Payback team was just to maintain but it evolved into more clearance than required. Cllr Steed suggested that just the footpath should be maintained. Cllrs Pocklington and Peak will meet tomorrow to visit the area and consider the picnic area. To be added to the next agenda for further discussion.
- 130/20 Induction Courses for New Councillors**
NPTS course in November at a cost of £40. Cllr Peak would like to attend 18./19 and Clerk to advise if any availability. Cllr Burr is looking to attend a course in the New Year.
- 131/20 Report from County Councillor M. Chenery of Horsbrugh**
Not present. Cllr M Chenery of Horsbrugh had sent several emails relating to County matters. Clerk will forward anything relevant to Cllrs.
- 132/20 Report from Borough Councillor James Moriarty**
Cllr Moriarty had sent his apologies of absence and reminded the council that the closing date for the Gov. proposed White Paper is 29th of October.
- 133/20 Questions and comments from members of the public.**
A parishioner had written to that a parishioner who had worked on the footpath running

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from Church Lane to Short Lane. The council echoed these points and the parishioner to be thanked. ACTION CB

134/20 Correspondence received/Clerk update

- Website training had taken place on the 19th and the site is fully compatible with the new accessibility regulations.
- Seeking pictures of the village to include on the website with a short description.
- The noticeboard is very damp and has condensation on the glass which affects viewing.
- The General Power of Competence still stands but no new projects can come under this until the clerk passes the CiLCA. In the meantime, powers revert to S137.

135/20 Invitations to meetings - None

136/20 Papers to be tabled - None

137/20 Planning Matters - None

138/20 FINANCE

Accounts presented. Total expenditure £36.00.

Acceptance proposed by Cllr Pocklington, All present agreed. Cheque signed.

Budget variance on target

Asset register – no change

Risk assessment – continually monitored by councillors

139/20 Online Banking Proposal – Following the online banking information sent to all councillors earlier this month, the councillors present voted to accept the proposal and the clerk to advise the councillors who are absent to gain their comments. Proposed Cllr Pocklington, seconded Cllr Steed. All present agreed. ACTION CB

140/20 Highways

Cllr Rose raised the ongoing issue with overgrown hedges on Mill View Cottages making visibility very difficult on the Millers Road/Back Street junction. The clerk was asked to contact Sally Bettinson at Highways and request an update. ACTION CB

141/20 Matters for inclusion on the agenda for the next meeting

- Brickyard Lane update
- Overgrown Hedge as 139/20
- Unity Bank update

142/20 Date of next meeting

The next Parish Council meeting will take place on **19th of November 2020** at 7.30pm.

There being no further business the Chairman thanked all present for attending and declared the meeting closed at 20.06 hrs.

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