



Hapton Parish Council Meeting

Monday, 10th June 2024

Present: Councillor Birbeck (in the Chair) and Councillors Differ, Downham, Fowke Lakeland, Owen and Young.

Others: Steve Watson (Clerk), E. Atkinson (contractor) and 1 resident.

Parish Council Agenda

Councillor Birbeck opened the meeting and welcomed Councillors.

24/25/042	Apology for absence and reasons given.		
	Apologies for absence were submitted by Borough Councillor Jamie McGowan who had another engagement.		
24/25/043	Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interest / Code of Conduct.		
	Councillors Carol Downham and Shirley Young declared an interest in their individual allotments.		
24/25/044	The meeting would be adjourned for Public Participation.		
	RESOLVED: That the meeting would be adjourned to welcome comments from members of the public.		
	There were no public questions.		
	There was no Police Report. The Police have visited Hameldon to check out for off road bikes, but did not stay long. The Trail Cameras have been installed around the area to try and get registration numbers.		

There was no County Council or Borough Council Report		
24/25/045 The meeting was formally re-convened for business.		
RESOLVED: That the meeting would be reconvened.		
24/25/046 Minutes of the meeting held on the 10th June 2024.		
The minutes of the last meeting were submitted for approval as a correct record.		
RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 10th June 2024 are approved as a correct record.		
24/25/047 Matters Outstanding as listed.		
Kingdom is to be contacted about dog fouling problems and more patrols. The Pump Track bins have been installed but the signs are still due. There is a bin overflowing on Manchester Road. Updating the website will be an agenda item at the next meeting and an application is to be submitted to the wind farm for the cenotaph railings. Some nuisance bike signs have been installed and Kingdom are to be contacted about dog fouling problems.		
A log in to make changes to the website is needed.		
Cenotaph Railing Quotes – A windfarm grant is to be applied for.		
Chairs Windfarm Bid – The chairs have been delivered and Councillor Owen agreed to dispose of the old chairs.	Chairs	FO
The nuisance bike signs have been acquired and posts will be put in for these this week.		
24/25/048 Updates.		
There were no further updates.		
24/25/049 Councillor Reports including reports from representatives of outside bodies.		
There were no reports.		
24/25/050 Lengthsman.		
Hedges around the play area and park are to be trimmed, the peace garden will be weeded, plants will be watered and the back of Carter Avenue is to be tidied. The Pump track and football pitch are to be strimmed around the edges. An abandoned allotment plot is to be strimmed and 3 self-seeded trees on the corner are to be cut back..		
24/25/051 Allotments.		
There were no new applications. Plot B2 is to be cleared and let and notice will be given on plot C1.		

24/25/052 Planning Applications.		
There were no applications this month.		
24/25/053 Finances.		
The following invoices were tabled.		
Expenditure Clerk's Salary – (Standing Order) Paid £255.92 S/O Paid Office Boffin £982.80 Paid Lengthsman £345.00 100859 Income Maintenance Grant £201.00		
RESOLVED: That the above bills are paid.		
24/25/054 Clerk's Report including Correspondence.		
<p>It was agreed to have an annual Summer Festival on the 1st Saturday of July. Different stalls are to be encouraged and the Brownies, Punch & Judy and an ice-cream van are to be invited. It was agreed to hire 4 rides again and a marque with entertainment and a bar is to be considered. Better publicity is needed for future events. Everyone was thanked for their help at the event including Hapton Inn and the Brownies. A wind farm application is to be made for the costs of marque hire. The rides will run 11 to 4pm and the marque 11 to 6pm.</p> <p>Hapton Football Club signed a new lease.</p>		
24/25/055 Visual Audits.		
A gully has sunk on the bend on Manchester Road. Fruit trees are to be planted down the length of the new car park area to include Plumb, Damson, Crab Apple and blackthorn.		
24/25/056 Resolved that in view of the sensitive and confidential nature of the business about to be transacted, it is advisable in the public interest that the press and public be temporarily excluded and they are instructed to withdraw.		
Resolved: That the Lengthsman Tender process will continue.		
24/25/057 Date of next meeting.		
Date of the next meeting Monday 9 th September 2024 at 7:00pm, in the Community Centre, Ruskin Grove.		