

HATTON PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON TUESDAY 20th JUNE 2017 AT 6:45pm
IN THE JUBILEE HALL, HATTON

PRESENT: Cllr J Billings (Chair), Cllr Beatson, Cllr J Walker.

In Attendance: Mrs J Storer (Clerk), 2 members of the public.

983. Apologies

Apologies were offered and accepted from Cllr A Billings (work), Cllr Brooks (personal), Cllr Osborne (work). The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting and as a quorum was established in accordance with Standing Order 3u, the meeting commenced.

984. Variation of the Order of Business

There was no variation in the order of the business.

985. To receive Declarations of Interest

Councillors considered their duties regarding declaration of interest, both personal and prejudicial, and no declarations were made.

986. Public Speaking

A resident reported concern about the height of a hedge and of trees that border her property, which are within the gardens of properties belonging to SDDC. The resident was recommended to report the matter to the Housing Dept at SDDC and if that was unsuccessful, to report the matter to the District Cllr.

A resident enquired about progress with the plaque on the bridge; the Clerk informed that quotes are awaited. Another query related to the starting date for the new development. No further information has been received as to when the house building will commence but the understanding is that work on the access roads will start in August or September.

The brambles have been cut back on the old bridlepath but both members of the public and Cllrs, considered that the work had been badly done.

987. County and District Cllrs report

(a) Neil Rowland (Nestles) to discuss the old bridlepath

Mr Rowland had been invited to attend the meeting to present and to discuss his email as listed under correspondence item 7, this being the suggestion to close the old bridlepath. Mr Rowland had not returned the Clerk's telephone calls and had not attended the meeting. No discussion took place about this proposal.

(b) County Councillor – Cllr J Patten

No Cllr was present and no report was presented to the meeting.

(c) District Councillor - Cllr Roberts.

No Cllr was present and no report was provided to the meeting.

988. To approve the Minutes of the Ordinary Parish Meeting held on 18th April 2017.

RESOLVED the minutes of the Ordinary Parish Council meeting held on 18.04.17, as circulated, were approved and signed by Cllr J Billings.

989. To approve the Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish and the Annual Parish Meeting both held on 16th May 2017 (Copy already circulated)

RESOLVED the minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish and the Annual Parish Meeting both held on 16th May 2017, as circulated, were approved and signed by Cllr J Billings

990. To determine which items if any from Part 1 of the Agenda should be taken with the public excluded.

No items were determined to be taken with the public excluded.

991. To receive the Chairman's announcements

The Chairman had no report to make.

992. To receive the report of the Clerk (already circulated)

RESOLVED to accept the report of the Clerk, as previously circulated, without any amendment.

993. Governance

(a) Risk assessments

The Clerk made no recommendations for changes to the risk assessments.

(b) Parish Councillor vacancies

There are currently two vacancies for Parish Cllrs and no nominations have been received for either vacancy.

994. Correspondence

1. DALC – Various circulars
2. DCC – Removal of charges for disposal of certain waste items
3. Hatton Junior Football Club – update as to the position of acquiring temporary goalposts and raising questions
4. Mrs Wood – Requesting clarification as to when the grass will be cut at the Old School Field as it is high and requesting that some chattel or bark chippings are installed at the Kissing Gate and dog bin close by, as the area gets very muddy in the winter.
RESOLVED for some chattel or bark to be bought and laid at the end of the summer, to prevent the area from becoming muddy.
5. SDDC – Notification that the Playing Fields will not be included in the Dog Control Orders at present, nor can the CCTV system be utilised to catch those who fail to pick up after their dogs.
The Clerk reported on the contents of the email, adding that although SDDC was unable to install any CCTV facilities, there was no legal restrictions on any member of the public installing CCTV for the purpose of assisting with the prosecution of anyone who failed to pick up after their dog has fouled. This individual would have to be prepared to attend Court if necessary. No decision was made to pursue the option for an individual to install a CCTV camera.
6. Nestles – suggestion that the old bridlepath is closed.
As reported in the earlier section of the meeting, no representative from Nestles attended the meeting to explain the suggestion put forward to close the old bridlepath. The Clerk had on receipt of the email from Nestles, undertaken research on closures of bridlepaths and had circulated this report to Cllrs prior to the meeting. No action will be taken by the Parish Council until or unless Nestles make further representations about closure of the bridlepath.
7. DCC – Notification that work will be undertaken on the pavement outside 2 Field Close

All items of correspondence were accepted.

995. Finance

(a) To approve payment of accounts and salaries for the period ending 30th June 2017
RESOLVED The following accounts were authorised for payment

Online Payments:

Mrs J Storer	Clerk's expenses	£69.04
	June salary run	£TBA
DCC	June pension for the Clerk	£TBA
HMRC	June deductions for PAYE & Ni	£TBA
Woodland	Bowling Green maintenance (May 17)	£434.00
Sterlizing Services Ltd	Monthly legionella check	£76.80
Wilshee	Hire of skip for the allotment	£230.00
Cllr J Billings	Reimbursement of fuel for the mowers	£25.00
Cllr J Billings	Reimbursement of weedkiller for allotments	£31.98
Melbourne Print	Copying	£15.35
Woodland	Cutting hedge in the car park at the Recreation Ground	£180.00
Jubilee Hall	Hire of room for Clerk's appraisal	£15.75
Talbot Turf	Mowing of Scropton Road Recreational Field And line marking paint	£367.85

Previously paid

RVT New equipment for Recreation Ground £4308.00

The Parish Council had at the previous meeting, authorised the purchase of the new equipment and payment was made in order to obtain a significant discount.

Paid by cheque

004861 DCC – clerk's pension for June 2017 £156.12

12b) Money Received

HMRC – VAT for 2016/17 refund £11,890.74

Awards for All – Grant for work at the allotments £9,851.32

(c) To note the Bank reconciliation report to 31st May 2017

The Clerk presented the bank reconciliation to 31.05.17. The reconciliation was accepted.

(d) To consider any request for funding

No other requests have been received.

Bank Balances at 12th June 2017

Current Account £13,922.57

BMX Account £25,125.00

Deposit Account £88,549.07

996. Planning matters

9 2017 0435 – The erection of extension and alterations (amended scheme to previously approved 9/2016/0185) to 196 Station Road, Hatton.

NO OBJECTIONS

9 2017 0561 - The erection of an extension at 3 Brook Close, Hatton

NO OBJECTIONS

9 2017 0579 – The proposed single storey rear extension, with eaves of 2.35 metres and maximum height of 3.7 metres extending 4.4 metres from the rear wall at 3 Ley Croft, Hatton
NO OBJECTIONS

997. To receive reports on Parish Council assets

(a). Allotments

Work to clear the allotments plots is continuing and the standard of work to date, has been very high. Additional plots have been let, leaving 8 vacant plots. The accumulated rubbish at the bottom of the site

has been removed, leaving the site clear; allotment holders will have to either compost on their plots or take the waste and dispose of it off site.

RESOLVED now that the site is clear, new tenancy agreements will be issued.

A request for an allotment has been received from a group of four boys aged ten years old. Their plans for the allotment to be used to grow food and to encourage wildlife which can be studied was considered.

RESOLVED to grant the request to rent the allotment but under the following conditions :-

- i. The tenancy agreement is to be in an adult's name
- ii. An adult must accompany a child or children when at the allotment site.

(b). Playing Fields and Pavilion, including the use of the field by Hatton Juniors and work to be undertaken regarding the compound. The new mowing equipment is in use and working well.

The Chairman reported that the Junior club had 13 teams playing during the last season, and for the 2017/18 season there will be 17 teams. The Parish Council expressed concerns about the impact that such

Use would have on the pitches and whether public use of the pitches would be restricted. There are no known alternative venues which can be utilised.

The Parish Council reaffirmed its commitment to construct the compound at the end of the recreation ground.

RESOLVED to liaise with Hatton Junior FC about the dimensions of the compound required.

The Parish Council also confirmed its commitment to assist with the funding of new goalposts at the Recreation Ground, as per Min 810 (October 2016) when it was agreed to fund the costs of the new temporary goalposts should funding not be available to the Junior Club. The Junior Club has been successful in securing funding for one set of goals, discussions took place as to whether the additional set to be purchased by the Parish Council will be moveable goals or a set with permanent fittings.

RESOLVED the Clerk was requested to obtain costings of semi permanent goals which will enable the public to use the goalposts.

(c). Picnic Area adjacent to Thistley Common

The work on re-seeding the picnic area has now been completed, the work took a significant period of time to complete due to difficulties within the contractor's organisation, but the eventual standard of work has been well received.

The licence issued for 5 years (from 1st June 2017) has been signed by Thistley Common and the Chairman countersigned the licence. The rent for five years, £5 in total, has been received.

998. Update on Projects

(a) Plaque for the Tutbury Bridge

As discussed earlier, the quotes for the plaques are awaited.

(b) Bollards outside the school

The Clerk reported that an application is to be made, but permission of the utility companies is also required. The Clerk is working on the application.

(c) Defibrillator

RESOLVED the defibrillator has been installed at the Social Club.

(d) Benches

RESOLVED for one bench to be installed outside the Pharmacy and for two benches, instead of one, to be installed at the Recreation Ground, next to the beacon. The Clerk will place the order.

(e) Noticeboard

The Clerk circulated literature about the style of noticeboard.

RESOLVED the style of noticeboard was agreed, and the Clerk was instructed to order two noticeboards; one for the jitty next to the Jubilee Hall, the second to replace the existing noticeboard at the end of Hoon Close.

999. To receive any reports from Parish Councillors

The quality of grass cutting of the road side verges undertaken by SDDC was in the view of the meeting, classed as being terrible, particularly on Hassall Road when one area of grass had been missed entirely. The weeds on the road edges are very high and in places are blocking the gullies and grates.

The Clerk explained to the meeting, the problems being experienced by the relevant dept at SDDC with responsibility for grass cutting. Whilst the meeting had empathy that staffing numbers were low leading to the current difficulties being experienced by many parishes; the problems generated by the height of the grass, particularly at junctions and of the possible flooding consequences from the weeds and debris blocking the gullies meant that the problems could not be ignored; representations to SDDC need to be made

RESOLVED The Clerk will continue to raise all matters relating to grass cutting and weeds with SDDC. A request will be made to clear the gullies as well.

1000. To receive and consider any reports from Council representatives on outside bodies/organisations

(a) Community Centre

A visit is to be arranged to the Strutt Centre in Belper to learn how the transfer of a school into community ownership has been successful. The Committee will meet with the Trustees of the Strutt Centre to gather information and advice to assist with the formation of a business plan for the Centre.

(b) Salt Brook Trail

No report was provided.

©To receive reports from representatives on other organisations.

Cllr A Billings was unable to attend this evening's meeting, as a consequence no report was received about the Safer Neighbourhood meeting.

1001. Items for information only

(a) Meetings attended

No reports were received.

(b) Notification of Forthcoming meetings

None known

© Training

No training sessions are known.

1002. Date of the next meeting

The date of the next Ordinary Parish Council meeting will be Tuesday 18th July 2017 at the Jubilee Hall, Station Road, Hatton, at 6.45pm.

7:50pm RESOLVED In view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted (in respect of the personal situation of an employee which could result in legal proceedings or commercially sensitive information) it is advisable in the public interest, that the press and public be temporarily excluded and they are instructed to withdraw.”

1003. To consider quotations for work to be undertaken

(a) for new equipment at the Recreation Ground (Min 974)

This matter has already been resolved

(b) for the new fencing at Church Avenue

RESOLVED to defer the matter to the next meeting for formal quotes to be presented.

(c) installation of concrete base for the bench at the Recreation Ground

RESOLVED to accept the quotation from Woodland to install the concrete base and installation of the benches at the Recreation Ground.

(d) additional cuts at the old School Field (currently cut 6 times per year)

Complaints have been received about the length of the grass at the old School Field and quotes have been sought.

RESOLVED to accept the quote from Talbot Turf to initially cut the field and if additional cuts are required to bring the grass to a manageable height, the Clerk was authorised to instruct further cuts to be undertaken.

There being no further matters, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8:02pm