

Hedgerley Parish Council



Minutes of Parish Council Meeting

Held on 9th November 2020 at the Memorial Hall, Hedgerley

In attendance – Cllr Thomas Broom (Chairman)(TB), Cllr Derek Baker (DB), Cllr Maurice Ridgeley(MER), Cllr Neil Coxhead (NC)

1. County Council Matters

Nothing to report at this time

2. Clerk's Information items

Defibrillator –

The phone box is now 'ours'. Guardians (who keep a regular eye on the device to make sure its working) are Marlene Lewis (who was a nurse for years and who initiated having a defibrillator in the first place), and Sam Davies from Cottage Park Road (who is a nurse and willing to give training to anyone who wants to be shown how to use it).

It was due for installation yesterday, but our electrician found there to be no electricity from the phone box. I've been back onto BT and sent photos; just waiting to hear back.

3. Finance report

to note report

Confirming my email of last month regarding the very generous bequest from the late Audrey Bainbridge of £5,000 to Hedgerley Parish Council.

From the solicitors 'the Will'

"I give the following pecuniary legacies free of all taxes and duties the sum of FIVE THOUSAND POUNDS (£5,000) to the HEDGERLEY PARISH COUNCIL and I express the desire (without creating any binding trust or obligation) that they should invest the money for use in the environmental protection of Hedgerley I DECLARE that the receipt be sufficient for my Executors."

4. Planning –

The Bund

Just been onto the auctioneers who dealt with this and it was sold for £378,000 (!!!) When I enquired as to whom had bought it I was told they were not able to let me know.

5. Property

Play area

The mechanism on the far gate is broken and the company are in the process of raising this with the supplier.

Regarding the wetpour issues, in this instance the installer has agreed that this has failed earlier than they would expect and will be returning to ensure this is done to our satisfaction

Church Holt

DE has met with the contractor and has now finished the final part of the drainage improvements.

Kemsley Wood holly mulching Not heard back on this at the moment

6. Slade Farm

Concern regarding orange water in the Narrows and in the pond.

No further orange water, even with all the recent rain. DE will be speaking with Portman's.

Lorries – Parish Lane

Heard back from the resident who contacted me on this and says that it isn't gravel but a mixed soil and rubble which he assumes is not anything relevant to HPC.

7. Meetings – nothing to report

Date of next meeting – Monday December 14th 2020