

# Whixall Parish Council



Chairman: Ian Mercer

To all Members of the Council. You are hereby summoned to attend a Meeting of the Parish Council of Whixall to be held on Wednesday 10 April 2024 at Whixall Social Centre which will commence at 7.30pm in order to conduct the business enclosed on the agenda below. Members of the public are welcome to attend.

Signed:

*A. Mercer*

Date: 4 April 2024

**1. Chairman's welcome, announcements and public session**

Should a member of the public so require they will be permitted to speak. Public speaking time will be limited to 15 minutes, 3 minutes per speaker

**2. Update from Natural England (Pete Bowyer)**

**3. Apologies**

**4. Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary or any other interests or requests for dispensations**

Declaration of any disclosable pecuniary interest in a matter to be discussed at the meeting and which is not included in the register of interests. Members are reminded that they are required to leave the room during the discussion and voting on matters in which they have a disclosable pecuniary interest, whether or not the interest is entered in the register of members interests maintained by the Monitoring Officer.

Members are reminded that they must declare non-pecuniary interests relating to agenda items

**5. To approve the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 14 March 2024**

**6. Reports**

Shropshire Councillors; Parish Councillors and Clerk

**7. Parish Matters**

- a. Marlot – to receive updates.
- b. Hollinwood Green – to receive updates (circulated)
- c. Annual Parish Meeting (15 May) – to agree content.

**8. Planning**

a. To receive planning applications from Shropshire Council

24/01014/FUL     Hornspike Lane Farm, Dobsons Bridge, SY13 2QD  
Single storey extension to provide new sitting room, internal alterations  
and application of external wall insulation (EWI).

b. To note planning decisions made by Shropshire Council

23/05262/FUL     Marhaba, Platt Lane, SY13 2NY  
Proposed new build detached dwelling  
Refused

**9. Finance**

- a) To receive Monthly Balance Record and reconciliation (circulated)
- b) To resolve to approve outstanding invoices and payments.

Recipient	Reason for Payment	Amount	Reference	Power of Expenditure
<b>Payments Made Before the Meeting</b>				
Unity Bank	Service Charge	18.00	81.83DD	LGA 1972 s111
<b>New Payments to be approved</b>				
HMRC	PAYE (March)	78.60	1.24	LGA 1972 s112(2)
Employee	Salary (March)	314.46	2.24	LGA 1972 s112(2)
NEST	Pension Contributions (March)	78.12	3.24DD	LGS(DP)R 1961 s1
Employee	Reimbursement	35.45	4.24	LG(FP)A 1963 s5

#### **10. Items for Next Agenda**

To enable Councillors to bring forward items for the 8 May meeting agenda.


## Hollinwood Green

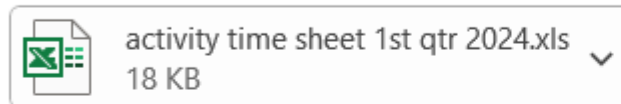


Martin Spenser  
To Whixall Parish Clerk



Wed 9:53

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Hello Mandy

I am attaching my report of voluntary hours for the first 3 months of the year.

As you will see, very little has been achieved so far, because of the weather and ground conditions.

When I was in a position to start the scarifying process, I discovered that Neil Heywood had sold his machine, so that was not available. I enquired about hiring - that would have cost £35 a day plus VAT from Griffiths Tool Hire. Even if the weather had been favourable, I was not prepared to commit the Parish Council to a total hire cost of £136, nor would I have welcomed the intensive physical labour involved over 3 consecutive days. You will recall from my report last year that there was a lot of work involved.

So, with my apologies to the Council, the scarifying process will have to wait until the autumn. Jen and I will be travelling to Scotland in the next few days, returning occasionally for the usual maintenance tasks. I have asked Helen Eckhart to look after the green in my absence, but will stay in touch.

There have been various incidents of parking on the green and the people involved don't bother to back-fill the ruts that they cause in the soft ground, so there is the prospect of a falling-out with my neighbours. In addition, Mr. Charman continues to abuse the situation with the permanent parking area which he created.

That's it for now.

Kind regards, Martin

Whixall Parish Council (PC)

Hollinwood Green

Voluntary hours spent 1st January - 31st March 2024

Date 2024	Number	Total hours	Description of work	General comments (e.g.equipment used)
1st Quarter	of	worked	All work done by Martin Spenser (MS) except where stated	
21-Jan	1	6 hrs.	Internet research into cost of replacement machinery	
22-Jan	1	50 mins.	Report to Parish Clerk	
16-Mar	1	1h. 30min.	First grass cut of season with brushcutter	PC machine with strimmer head
17-Mar	1	1h. 10mins.	Finish above task - ground heavily clogged with moss	do.