

**Minutes of the Meeting**  
**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2022 – 6.30pm at Friends Meeting House, Hartshill**

**Councillors:** Vice-Chairperson Cllr Roberts, Thomason, Pearson, Sharp, Parker, Peart.

**Apologies:** Cllr Lees, County & Borough Cllr Bell.

**Absent:**

**In attendance:** PCSO Emily Jenkins, Martin -Rone Clarke Traveller Liaison Officer and Clerk to Hartshill Parish Council

**1)- Welcome and apologies**

The Chairperson opened the meeting and welcomed those present.

**2) Procedural items**

Councillors are reminded that they must act solely in the public interest and should never improperly confer an advantage or disadvantage on any person, or act to gain financial or other material benefits for yourself, your family, a friend, or close associate – Noted.

**3) Declarations of Interest**

In accordance with the Local Government Act 2000, s81 and the Parish Councils (Model code of Conduct) Order 2001, members are asked to declare any personal interest and the nature of that interest which they may have in any of the items under consideration at this meeting as well as any gifts or hospitality received. This requirement applies to elected members and co-opted members – Noted.

**4) Chairman's Announcement**

In the interests of openness and transparency, Councillors and members of the public are reminded that the law permits any person to film, record, photograph or use social media to report on the proceedings of a meeting of the Council or its Committees when they are open to the public. This does not extend to live verbal commentary. Filming and photography will only be permitted from the area designated. No flash photography or additional lighting should be used without prior consent. Anyone wishing to report on the meeting should notify the Clerk or Chairman so that they can be afforded reasonable facilities. People under the age of eighteen or other members of the public not wishing to be filmed or photographed should notify the Clerk or Chairman and should sit in the area designated for this purpose. Improper conduct or any disruptive behaviour could result in expulsion from the meeting – Noted.

**5. Report from County & Borough Councillors**

- Cllr Parker gave an update on a meeting he was part of which discussed the Woodford Lane junction and discussed the impact the number of road closures on the junction is having, how long it is closed for and where diversions are rerouted to and how this affects other areas such as Mancetter when lorries are rerouted through the village.
- Cllr Roberts gave an update on recent events in the village due to Cllr Bell not being able to attend – another resident liaison meeting took place between NWBC planning, Wates Construction, and residents of Church Close on the 5<sup>th</sup> of April at the Community Centre to look at the Construction Management Plan for the new school development. Cllr Roberts and the Clerk attended on behalf of the Parish Council, and the CMP was looked at in detail with items from the CMP addressed for review by planning and Wates. David Mosedale the project manager for Wates explained the drainage for the site to be started this month, a tree was removed due to poor health and timings were agreed for entry and exit for site vehicles. Items were raised for the agenda for the next meeting to take place in May.
- Sarval Liaison meeting – further smell complaints were raised over 2 weeks ago on the green in Hartshill. Any smells are to be reported to Elizabeth Taberer at Sarval. Everyone is very happy the liaison meetings can restart again as they were on hold due to covid.
- PCSO Emily Jenkins gave an update – The camera on Clock Bridge does record images but they are not very clear so the police are enquiring into whether a camera can be installed on it. This is due to the number of reports of egging on the bridge and the images retrieved are too dark and grainy to make anyone out.
- 2 youths from the Traveller Site in the village have been issued anti-social behaviour orders witnessed by their parents.
- A community engagement day will take place at Hartshill Hayes
- The ask for Angela campaign has been discussed with owners of the pubs in the village.
- Business crime officer visited businesses in the village
- Parking around the school has been monitored and inconsiderate parkers have been spoken to. It was found that 50% of the people spoken to were compliant and willing to move their cars.
- Martin Rone-Clarke Traveller Liaison Officer gave an update on the Traveller Site in the village – The appeal hearing for the Barn Fisheries site was postponed. No date set for further appeal on rest of site, and it will be a long time before anyone will know what will be granted or not. There is a need for plots so it is likely that some of these will be granted on this site.
- The parish council requested a site plan, which Martin agreed to ask NWBC for. Martin agreed the site is already far too big and could do with reducing by at least 50% one planning is enforced.
- Cllr Roberts explained she felt it was the Parish Councils responsibility to help the travellers integrate into the community more and would like to arrange a meeting on the site to establish relationships. Martin agreed to help with this.

**6. Public Question Time**

- No questions.

**7. Accounts for Payment**

- Proposed Cllr Parker, Seconded Cllr Thomason that payments amounting to £15847.47 were authorised for expenditure by the Council. Resolved.

**8. Financial Report** - Income received £2922.88 Balances at end of February Current account: £75177.66 & Reserves at: £204497.71, Cash account: £436.58

**The RFO updated the Council on the current financial situation at the end of the year. – Total £280,111.93**

**The Council are in a healthy position and can afford to spend more money where it is needed within the village.**

**9. Planning Applications.**

- None received.

**10. Minutes of last meeting.** – Minutes of meeting Ref: 010322 were signed as a true record. Proposed Pearson, Second. Parker.

**11. Correspondence – None**

**12. Estate**

**Snowhill** – Lighting was repaired, 3 lamps repaired and replaced with LED lights.

Currently waiting on an estimate from Glendale for the grass cutting for the next year.

Installation of the new lighting to be taking place in 2/3 weeks – Cllr Thomason would like to see a socket on each lamppost.

Groundsman for the Cemetery to be asked to carry out jobs during Winter months at the rec ground starting with the alleyway.

**Cemetery** – Fly tipping still a concern. Ideas such as a new electric gate with a timer to lock the Cemetery at night or a lockable skip. Clerk to consider costings and review at next meeting.

**Community Centre** – Security Camera for Carpark broken – Clerk to obtain quotes for repair or replacement.

Café staff have handed out notices for their retirement. Clerk struggling to find volunteer replacement. Cllr Roberts suggested that due to the Council's financial position this could create a small job opportunity for someone in order to keep the café open, with the possibility of extending it to two days per week. Council in agreement that they will advertise the position and hope to employ someone to keep it running. Clerk to begin job description and advertising process.

**13. 20MPH speed Limit**

- Clerk to register the Parish Council's interest in the 20 is plenty campaign.

**14. Rose bed on the green**

- Groundsman to remove rocks and weed the area for new planting.

**15. Christmas Lights**

- Currently no electric on the Stag & Pheasant side of the Green we could use but there are two trees that could be illuminated.
- Nearest lamppost is on Grange Rd.
- Currently no lamppost on this side of the Green and there is a need for an additional one next to the bus stop. Clerk to contact County to see if we can get an additional post installed.

**16. Items for next agenda**

- Lights on The Green
- Queens Jubilee – Grange Rd Rec
- Plans for traveller site.
- Nuneaton Signs entrance to Hartshill 30mph sign
- State of layby on Woodford Lane.

**17. Confidential Item.**

- Cllrs discussed Confidential Item.

**Meeting Closed 9.10pm**

**17. Next meeting to take place on 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2022 at 6.30pm Friends Meeting House, Hartshill.**

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_