

## Minutes of the Meeting Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> June – 6.30pm at Friends Meeting House, Hartshill

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

**Apologies:** Cllr Pearson (Approved)

**Absent:** None

**In attendance:** Borough & County Councillor Bell, Parish Clerk, PCSO Jenkins, Police Community Support Officer Snape, Police Constable Walton and 4 members of the public.

### 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 Borough & County Councillor Bell** – Cllr Bell expressed her thanks to the Parish Council for all their hard work for the Community in providing a celebration for the Queen's Jubilee. The event was a great success.

A by-election will take place for the position of Borough Councillor.

Court case for Kirby Glebe took place, the judge found it in breach of the high court injunction in place and issued 3 consecutive month sentences. The Borough Council are working on an enforcement plan to put to planning. An inspectors hearing is to take place in Atherstone for the other piece of land which is currently in breach of the injunction.

Antisocial behaviour from the site has been reported to Alison Wiggan but no officers available to send out.

HGV's seen going over clock bridge.

School build site traffic using Victoria Rd when should be using school hill only.

- **Report from PCSO Jenkins and Police Constable Lloyd Walton.**

PCSO Jenkins: 1 arrest for assault last month. Hartshill School drop-ins still taking place. Junior PCSO scheme starting in September which will educate the junior school children on parking issues and bullying within schools and they can qualify as a Junior PCSO afterwards. Crime prevention scheme taking place in July at Hartshill Hayes. PCSO Jenkins will be switching to late shifts to tackle vehicle crime at night in the area.

- **Report from Lloyd Walton Beat Manager for Atherstone and Hartshill**

PC Walton introduced himself and told everyone his background within the police – 22 years of service, completed every level of policing and received 5 bravery awards.

He is dedicated to fixing things and is the only officer with warranted powers in the area. He is aware there is a staffing issue and feels like the lack of police available for North Warwickshire is unacceptable.

Offered support to local businesses and agreed to continue visiting problem areas to fix situation.

### **6. Public Question Time**

A member of the public read a report she had written on her experience with anti-social behaviour from the traveller site to date.

### **7. Accounts for Payment**

Proposed Cllr Parker, Seconded Cllr Thomason that payments amounting to £50,114.92 be approved by the Council for payment.

\*Cheque for £39437.59 included for rebuild of steps to Hartshill Hayes.

### **8. Financial Report**

Proposed Cllr Parker, Seconded Cllr Thomason that the financial report for the month of May be approved by the Council.

Income £802.34, Expenditure £50114.92 Balances at the end of May: Current £59443.23 Reserve £205633.91.

### **9. Planning Applications.**

None.

**10. Minutes of the last meeting.**

Proposed Cllr Peart, Seconded Cllr Thomason that the minutes of the meeting Ref: 030522 are signed as a true record.

**11. Correspondence**

None.

**12. AGAR 21-22**

Annual Governance Statement 2021-2022 was approved by the Council and signed by Chairperson Cllr Roberts.  
Accounting statements for the year 2022 approved by the Council. Resolved

**13. Estate**

Community Centre – New café started, very well so far.

New class starting on Wednesday from July.

Cemetery – Not busy at the moment, waiting on grounds team to finish clearance (this week).

Rec Ground – Jubilee event was very successful with a great turnout. Possible to consider making it an annual thing.

2 estimates received for new lighting initial quotes were for £8k and £11k. Now £8k estimate gone up to £11.

Hartshill Green – Cllr Sharp proposed the purchase of corrugated iron planter for the green at a cost of approximately £100. Proposed Cllr Parker, Seconded Cllr Peart – approved.

**14. Notice of Vacancy.**

A vacancy has arisen in the Office of Councillor for the Parish Council. If by 20 June 2022 (14 days excluding Dies Non, after the date of this notice) a request for an election to fill said vacancy is made in writing to the Returning Officer at the address below by TEN electors for the said Parish, an election will be held to fill the said vacancy, otherwise the vacancy will be filled by co-option

**15. Tree Lopping in Cemetery**

Right hand side of cemetery needs work to trees overhanging gravestones. Works to take place outside nesting season. Clerk to meet Cllr Roberts at Cemetery to photograph areas needing work in order to obtain quotes.

**16. Green Spaces in the Village**

Chairperson Cllr Roberts would like to look at areas in the village where planting could take place. Green area near Moor Rd and Hayes Rd could be looked at.

Cllr Parker spoke about land owned by Castle Trust in Hartshill which the Borough Council would like to develop a Community Garden where food can be grown and donated to the food bank or to anyone in the village who wants it. Cllr Parker to liaise with Castle groundsman to see if he can come to a meeting to discuss further.

**17. Xmas Lights**

Additional light on the green for Xmas this year. To see if there is an alternative lamppost the electric can come off, or the give way sign which has lighting. Clerk to investigate further.

**18. Items for next agenda.**

- Future events
- Cemetery Trees
- Drainage on Steps
- Village Sign
- Camera on Bridge
- A5 Woodford Lane
- Grange Rd Recreation Ground.

**20. Date & Time of Next Meeting. 5<sup>th</sup> July at 6.30pm Friends Meeting House.  
Meeting Closed 8.20**

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