

MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING OF HEPTONSTALL PARISH COUNCIL

HELD AT HEPTONSTALL SOCIAL & BOWLING CLUB, 5 JULY 2022

Present : Councillors M Hughes (Chairman) A Baldwin J Crowther B Cutts
J R Dunford M V Edwards S Slater & B Stott

34/22 APOLOGIES (AND REASONS) OF ABSENCE

Apologies and reason for absence were received from Councillor James.
Approval for the reason for absence were neither sought nor granted.

35/22 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

No Declarations were made.

36/22 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no Public Participation.

37/22 Minutes of previous meetings of Heptonstall Parish Council were approved as a correct record in respect of the following :

- Annual Council meeting held 10 & 17 May 2022
- Monthly Meeting held 17 May 2022

38/22 TRAINING/WEBINAR/CONFERENCE OPPORTUNITIES

The Clerk provides regular details of the availability of training and conferences and invites members to request bookings via himself as already authorised.
Members were asked to consider whether they wished to be considered for attendance at the YLCA Conference to be held in September in order to establish a firm booking at the next Council meeting.

39/22 APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS TO PAY

The following accounts were approved for payment :

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| R M Greenwood | ¼ Salary (net) (including arrears for 2021/22) | £1541.60 |
| | Telephone/Broadband | £ 108.73 |
| | Stationery | £ 20.50 |
| | Travel | £ 58.05 |
| (P Walker) | Microsoft for Newsletter | £ 79.99 |
| H M Revenue & Customs | PAYE 120/PM00288658 | £ 385.40 |
| Lambert Print & Design Ltd | Newsletter Publication | £ 175.00 |
| S Slater | Flowers for retired Internal Auditor | £ 43.50 |

40/22 PLANNING

(A) Planning Decisions : Details of Planning decisions made by Calderdale Metropolitan Borough Council were provided to members.

(B) New Applications : There were no new Planning Applications to consider

41/22 Arising from correspondence received :

Parish Council Notice Boards : It was resolved to undertake urgent repairs to both boards. Councillor Baldwin offered to seek someone who could undertake this work and agreed to liaise with The Clerk.
This action was agreed.

42/22 REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

Councillor Edwards reported on the planting of a tree at Heptonstall School as provided by this Council. He also reported on the work he has been doing in respect of Resilience and confirmed further thought were needed on this, which would be put on social media via Councillor Cutts and in the next issue of the Newsletter.

Councillor Slater reported on the ongoing work of the Hebden Bridge & District OAP Society.

Councillor Dunford reported on his representative attendance at the resurrected meeting of the Liaison Group meeting with members and officers of Calderdale Council.

Councillor Baldwin confirmed that he had arranged for the overgrown grass in the Pinfold to be cut for which Mr Bailey would be formally thanked by The Clerk. (Councillor Slater would discuss this issue at the upcoming meeting of the Safer Cleaner Greener committee).

43/22 APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT INTERNAL AUDITOR

Following the expression of interest and the background supplied it was resolved Mrs Martine Madden of Todmorden be appointed to the post. The Clerk would liaise with her further regarding requirements of the task.

44/22 PROVISION OF BENCH AT WHINS LANE

Councillor Hughes confirmed that the bench had now been satisfactorily installed with appropriate plaque in place.

It was resolved that thanks be recorded to Councillor Hughes for his oversight of this project.

45/22 BUSINESS CONTINUITY

Councillor Dunford reported that an initial discussion had taken place between himself and The Clerk to initiate this matter.

46/22 DISRUPTION OT TRAFFIC ETC : GAS WORKS + YORKSHIRE WATER + FILMING

Councillor Edwards confirmed his links with personnel from Northern Gasworks. He was receiving weekly updates and would keep members informed.

He also reported on the misinformation and incorrect signage in respect of Yorkshire Water. It was agreed a letter be sent to the appropriate officer at Yorkshire Water in order to prevent recurrence.

47/22 AVAILABILITY OF USE OF AMENITY FACILITIES

It was reported that the lack of adequate mowing etc of amenity facilities (such as Popples Common and The Pinfold) has been denying activity and therefore the well-being particularly of children who have been unable to use these facilities.

It was agreed to seek a schedule of such from Calderdale MBC.

48/22 JOINT NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Councillor Slater confirmed she had nothing further to report at this stage, but that a further meeting of the committee would be held shortly.

49/22 DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The Clerk advised the next meeting would be :

- Monthly Meeting (face to face) at Heptonstall Social & Bowling Club) at 7.30 pm on Tuesday 02 August 2022

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(Chairman)

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