



## **HODNET PARISH COUNCIL**

### **MINUTES**

Of the full council meeting of Hodnet Parish Council held at the Lyon Hall, Hodnet on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2024.

**Present:** Cllrs Alan Cope, Steven Freeman (Chair), John Parker, John Powell, Maryjayne Rees Jason, Watts, Lin Sherwin, John Matthews, Sarah Crump, Cllr Gill, Jayne Charman (Clerk)

**Members of the public:** 26

#### **24/37 Welcome, Apologies and reasons for Absence**

Apologies had been received for Cllr Spenser and Cllr Underwood – Reasons accepted.

#### **24/38 Declaration of Interest**

Cllr Watts disclosed an interest in 24/44 (planning) 24/00958/FUL and would not participate in any discussion or vote.

#### **24/39 Public Session**

26 members of the public present.

- Members of the Tern Valley Vintage machinery trust spoke to give further information on an event they wish to hold on the recreation ground on 17<sup>th</sup> August 2024. Cllr Rees agreed to contact them after the meeting once councillors had discussed the matter later in the agenda.
- A member of the public requested that W1, W2, and W15 streetlights be turned off and removed due to health concerns regarding LED lights. The member of the public has attended previous meetings outlining the same issue. The council had responded previously in writing. It was suggested the lights were being left on for an increasing amount of time, however the council confirmed they were on a sensor and an engineer had been out to the light in question recently. An informal meeting was suggested by the Chairman. A letter addressed personally to the Chairman was given at the meeting.

#### **24/40 Minutes from previous meeting**

The minutes from the parish council meeting on 8<sup>th</sup> February 2024 were considered for approval. It was proposed by Cllr Powell, seconded by Cllr Matthews and RESOLVED to APPROVE the minutes which were then signed by the Chairman.

#### **24/41 Reports**

- a) Clerks Report – To note
- b) Unitary councillor report – Cllr Gill had already provided a report in the preceding annual parish meeting.
- c) Reports from councillors attending meetings or training - None

## a) Payments to note against February bank statements

PAYEE	AMOUNT	METHOD	AUTHORITY
O2	£15.48	DD	LG(FP)A 1963 s5
Npower	£490.78	DD	PCA 1957 s112 (1)
Staff Salary (12/2)	£919.79	BACS	LGA 1972 s112(2)
PNET	£24.99	DD	LGA 1972 S112
Poppy Appeal	£25.00	CHQ	LGA 1972 s111
Expenses (to 7.2.24)	£42.60	BACS	LG(FP)A1963 s5
WJP Software	£75.90	BACS	LGA 1972 s111
WJP Software	915.00	BACS	LGA 1972 s142
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£2509.54</b>		

## b) Receipts to note against February bank statements

RECEIPTS	AMOUNT
HWMC Rent	£56.50
CCLA Investment	357.24
Interest to 29/2 – 2250	£0.00
Interest to 29/2 - 9243	£21.12
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£434.86</b>

## c) Bank reconciliation February – To Approve

## February

Balance brought forward from year end 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2023	£21717.94
Add: Receipts to date	£52216.02
Less: Payments to date	£39265.21
Closing balance at 29 <sup>th</sup> February 2024	<b>£34668.75</b>
<b>Bank balances as at 29<sup>th</sup> February 2024</b>	
Current Account (6712)	£16316.39
Business Reserve Account (2250)	£0.00
CIL Deposit Account (9243)	£18352.36
Less unrepresented cheques	£0.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£34668.75</b>

Councillors considered for approval the bank reconciliation up to the 29<sup>th</sup> February 2024. It was proposed by Cllr Cope, seconded by Cllr Sherwin and **RESOLVED** that the bank reconciliation up to the 29<sup>th</sup> February 2024 by **APPROVED**.

## d) Payments for Authorisation and payment in March 2024

PAYEE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
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Staff Salary	Due 12/3/24	£919.59
Staff expenses to (20/3)	Expenses/reimbursements	£48.60
O2 (Jan)	Sim only phone contract	£15.48
Npower March	Electricity (variable DD)	£423.77
PlusNet March	Broadband	£24.99
RM Edwards	Fencing – Hodnet Club	£920.40
Shropshire Council	Bin collections	£689.81
HMRC	Month 9 PAYE	£238.71
HMRC	Month 10 PAYE	£38.46
HMRC	Month 11 PAYE	£38.26
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>£3358.07</b>

Councillors considered for Approval the payments for March 2024. It was proposed by Cllr Cope, seconded by Cllr Crump and RESOLVED that the payments for March 2024 be APPROVED.

**e) Notification of payments made under delegated powers**

Payment of Month 9 PAYE to HMRC of £238.71 and Simba IT services payment of £56.95 paid under delegated powers were APPROVED.

**24/43 Grant Applications**

The amount of £75 requested from Hodnet Seniors Luncheon Club was discussed And APPROVED.

**24/44 Planning Matters**

**a) To discuss the following planning applications:**

**i). Application Reference: 24/00564/FUL**

**Address:** Grange Farm, Peplow, Market Drayton

**Proposal:** Conversion of agricultural barns to 5 dwellings, demolition of agricultural buildings, erection of garaging, creation of residential curtilage space and formation of a new farm access

**RESOLVED to SUPPORT with comment that we have supported previously**

**ii). Application Reference: 24/00958/FUL**

**Address:** Bench Mark Cottage, Rookery Lane, Marchamley

**Proposal:** Installation of solar photovoltaic panels in the rear garden

**RESOLVED to SUPPORT with no comment**

**iii.) Application Reference: 24/01051/FUL – Received after agenda created**

**Address:** Moldy Warp, 21 Lostford, Market Drayton, TF9 3LT

**Proposal:** Erection of single storey side extension following removal of existing conservatory

**RESOLVED to SUPPORT with no comment**

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**b.) Planning Decisions for information:**

**i). Application Reference: 24/00451/TCA**

**Address:** Rookery Lane Barn, Marchamley,

**Proposal:** Single large ash with two co-dominant trunks which are diseased and suffering from ash dieback to be felled.

**Decision:** Withdrawn

**ii). Application Reference: 24/00113/FUL**

**Address:** 8-10 Shrewsbury St, Hodnet, TF9 3NP

**Proposed:** Replacement windows

**Decision:** Grant Permission

**iii). Application Reference: 24/00391/FUL**

**Address:** The Fields, Websters Lane, Hodnet, TF9 3JH

**Proposed:** Erection of ground floor and first floor extensions and alterations (amendment to application 23/03080/FUL)

**Decision:** Grant Permission

**c.) Planning enforcement cases – 1**

Noted

**24/45 Annual Parish Meeting**

No matters arose from the annual parish meeting and no parishioners had any Questions for the council.

**24/46 D-Day**

D-Day was discussed and it was suggested that bells would be rung to commemorate.

**24/47 Policies**

The clerk explained that the next group of documents would be sent via email to consider ahead of the May meeting.

**24/48 Recreation Ground**

- It was confirmed that the current grass cutting contractor would continue for the next year and that the price would remain the same.
- The proposed event on the recreation ground by the Tern Valley Vintage Machinery Trust on 17<sup>th</sup> August was discussed. Insurance documents were shown and it was agreed the event could go ahead with the Clerk to check for any further conditions with insurers. Cllr Rees will respond to them and also agreed to draft a document listing requirements for potential users/hirers of the recreation ground.
- The possible relocation of the Scout and Guide HQ to the recreation ground was discussed. Cllr Rees proposed in principal the relocation to the recreation ground and Cllr Powell seconded. AGREED in PRINCIPAL

## **24/49 Highways and Environmental**

- Cllr Matthews raised a concern regarding Pickstock Homes vehicles parking on the pavements. Cllr Parker will contact the site manager to raise the issue.
- Bad pothole on the road towards the A53 roundabout was discussed but had already been reported.
- Bin in Wollerton had still not been replaced. Clerk to follow up with Shropshire Council.

## **24/50 Street Lighting**

- H9, H13, H35, H56 still not working – clerk to follow up.
- W1, 2, 15 – Clerk to obtain further information from the engineers
- Clerk to refer parishioners letter to insurers and send any further specification of Light type to parishioner

## **24/51 Correspondence**

- a.) Hodnet Seniors Lunch Club
- b.) Correspondence re Station Road and use of road through Hopton – Clerk to forward to Shropshire Council and to contact the parishioner to explain this is a Shropshire Council matter
- c.) Quote – Hodnet Club Drive – clerk to obtain further quotes
- d.) Public Space Protection Order Questionnaire
- e.) D-Day
- f.) Smartwater
- g.) Shropshire Council medium term financial strategy
- h.) & budget proposals
- i.) King portrait
- j.) Shropshire Good Food Partnership
- k.) Fund for Green Spaces/Active travel
- l.) Chief Execs bulletins and SALC newsletters
- m.) Longford to A41 Sutton upon Tern Junction
- n.) Road closure Wollerton Severn Trent
- o.) Fraud and Scam Bulletins
- p.) Helen Morgan MP Quarterly Update
- q.) North Shropshire Project Gigabit
- r.) Price increases (Plusnet & O2)
- s.) Planning enforcement case
- t.) Tern Valley Vintage Machinery Trust Fete (17/8/24)
- u.) Rehab4Addiction – Clerk to add link to website

## **24/52 Parish Matters**

## **24/53 Items for future agendas**

There being no other business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 9.10pm

Approval of the minutes from the meeting held on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2024.



Minutes accepted and approved by Hodnet Parish Council at a meeting held on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2024.

Signed by the Chairman.....