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| **HATTON PARISH COUNCIL**  **Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held at**  **The Lewis Carroll Centre, Daresbury Lane, Daresbury**  **on Monday 18th July 2016 at 7.30 p.m** | |
| Councillors in attendance:  Margaret Winstanley  Roger Dickin  Julian Wrigley  Stuart Tranter  Judith Godley  Also present:  G. Lett – Clerk to the Council  A Smith  Ward Cllr B Axcell | | |
| **A56** | **Chair opened the meeting at 7.30**  Chair asked those present to maintain a period of silence in support of the Jones family at this  tragic time. |
| **A57** | **Apologies**  Apologies received from Cllr D Jones. |
| **A58** | **Open Forum for Residents**  No residents in attendance. |
| **A59** | **Minutes of Previous Meetings**  The Minutes of the previous meeting (20th June 2016) were agreed and signed as a true record. |
| **A60** | **Declarations of Interest**  Councillors were reminded of their responsibility to declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI) that they may have.  Clerk declared an interest in Minute Reference A64. |
| **A61** | **Actions Arising from previous Minutes**   1. Cllr S Tranter confirmed that the old website hosting account has been closed and old email address deleted. Historic annual charges for 2014 and 2015 paid for by previous Clerk, Gillian Horncastle. GL to liaise with Cllr S Tranter to ensure full reimbursement for all payment made. 2. Cllrs S Tranter provided a precis of the current position in relation to sub-standard broadband service currently being extending to the Hatton area. This remains an ongoing issue with further reports due on a monthly basis. 3. Escalation to MP David Mowat – Cllr S Tranter waiting to hear back from DM’s Senior Researcher. 4. No further update regarding Connecting Cheshire.   Ward Cllr B Axcell suggested that funding from South Warrington Board may be available if the residents wished to consider partial funding for upgrade (similar done at Hillside, Appleton). Cllr S Tranter to investigate further.   1. Cllr M Winstanley had liaised with Billy Turnbull who had reviewed the repair to the Telephone Box and advised that it would need to be laid flat and structurally supported whilst repair work undertaken. As such, he would be unable to complete the repair as proposed. Cllr S Tranter to ask local joiner if he can undertake the work and if not Cllr J Wrigley to research professional joiners who may be able to complete the work. 2. Clerk confirmed that Audit had been completed and paperwork sent to BDO in line with guidelines. 3. Clerk to resend Financial Standing Orders to all Cllrs for consideration at September meeting. 4. Clerk advised Cllrs that a potential free solution to reporting employees to HMRC may have been found but still being researched. GL to liaise with Cllr J Godley and report back to PC in September for a decision to be made. 5. Clerk confirmed the current vacancy is reported on both noticeboard and website. |
| **A62** | **Chair Matters**  Cllr M Winstanley advised Council on the following matters;  Village Fun Day was a success with thanks extended to all parties who got involved. Net profit £550 raised to be split £275 to Food Bank and £275 towards future village events. Cats Protection Society raised £73 on the day.  Cllrs extended thanks to the Chair for her specific involvement and organisation of the day.  Thank you cards to be produced and distributed to volunteers. Budget £40.73 +VAT for 50 cards proposed by Cllr J Godley, seconded Cllr R Dickin. Agreed by all.  Chair attended open meeting with new Police & Crime Commissioner David Keane who showed a keen interest in finding out about the issues faced by local community. Speeding in particular was raised with benefit of PCSO recognised. Further meeting to be called, however productive meeting and PCC seems on board with local issues.  Chair and Council congratulated Amber Smith for her recently received Volunteer Award, recognising her work within the Parish Council and involvement in fundraising events. |
| **A63** | **Youth Matters**  A Smith expressed her thanks to the young members of the village who helped with the Fun Day. Team of youths from the village to present the cheque to the Food Bank charity later that week.  Appendix A details Amber’s article for Hatton Life newsletter. |
| **A64** | **Clerk Matters**  Clerk exited the meeting in order that discussions on salary review be undertaken by Council.  It was agreed by Council that the salary level be set at SPS 15 with hourly rate of £8.72 effective from April 2016.  No further Clerk matters raised. |
| **A65** | **Correspondence**  Clerk read out the relevant correspondence received in the last month. All copies of correspondence received were provided to Cllrs for referral.  National   * None to report.   Regional   * ChALC Weekly Bulletins – enclosed in Correspondence file. * PCC meeting and survey invitation – already sent out but Clerk to resend Survey so all Cllrs can complete. * ChALC training session – already sent out. * Traffic notice – including proposed changes to Hatton roads.   Local   * Daresbury District Heritage Group – Annual Report. * Warrington Road flooding – no further update. Clerk to enquire if there is anything further the Parish Council can do, otherwise matter is closed. * Public Notice – Hatton Lane speed restrictions on website and noticeboard. * Correspondence from resident thanking Cllr M Winstanley on her input to the meeting with Community Pride judges, in particular the passion in which she spoke about the village. * Fee for Parish Recharges re May elections £152.88 received – payment in full proposed by Cllr J Godley, seconded by Cllr M Winstanley. Agreed by all. * Stretton Walking Day notice – received too late to post. * Traffic Notice re Tarporley Road – FYI only. |
| **A66** | **Hatton Village Planning Implementation Group**  Cllr R Dickin advised the following;  AGM completed alongside bi-monthly meeting. Committee looked at the whole plan and any outstanding actions. It was agreed that the following actions be transferred to the Parish Council;   * Establishing where Hatton boundaries lie. * Reduction in nearby motorway noise. * Creamfields – already sits with PC. * Style of lighting within the village. * Mains sewer connections – set aside. * Installation of signals – no action. * Renewable energy alternatives. * Weight restrictions – incorporating Daresbury (Halton borough) into proposed weight restrictions for Hatton – extending this to Daresbury.   Cllr R Dickin expressed his thanks to Actions Groups and all volunteers who helped achieve delivery of >100 positive actions.  It was proposed that a village meeting (akin to initial Village Plan meeting) be arranged c. end of September to advise residents of all the deliverables achieved by HVPIG. Budget of £200 proposed by Cllr J Godley, seconded by Cllr M Winstanley to cover first welcome drink for all attendees.  Cllr R Dickin also thanked Parish Council on behalf of the HVPIG for all their support. |
| **A67** | **Creamfields**  Cllr M Winstanley advised that a chaser email to issues raised with Live Nation had been send. No response received to date. Cllr R Dickin to also chase up. |
| **A68**  **A68.1**  **A68.2** | **Planning Applications / Enforcement Notices**  **Declarations of Interest**  No declarations made.  Nothing to report. |
| **A69** | **Village Hall**  Nothing to report. |
| **A70** | **Traffic Issues**  Public notice made relating to proposed weight restrictions. Changes to speed on various roads expected soon. |
| **A71** | **Financial Standing Orders**  Deferred to September meeting. |
| **A72** | **Finance/ Accounts Requiring Authorisation for Payment**  Clerk reported Monthly Financial Report to Council. Purchase of teak oil to be incorporated within Asset Maintenance Budget. Budget for noticeboard to reflect actual balance following £1k funding received.  Cllr J Godley reported accounts for Hatton Village Plan Group account.  £1k donation received from Parish Council. Payments out include purchase of commemorative coins and spend relating to Fun Day. Balance £1,256.36.  It was agreed that the Residents Account should also be reported as part of CSA figures as funding provided by Parish Council. Cllr J Wrigley to take forward with organisers. |
| **A73** | **Website/IT Report**  Cllr S Tranter advised that there was sufficient space on the server. Hosting fee for website paid by E Wareing – already reimbursed. |
| **A74** | **Approval of items for Hatton Life/Website**  Cllr M Winstanley proposed the following items for inclusion;  Information re. Creamfields, Fun Day, PCC open meeting, Food Bank donation. |
| **A75** | **Transparency**  Cllr R Dickin advised Council that he was looking to submit a funding request by 15th August cut-off date, incorporating laptop, software, accounting/payroll software (Sage) and training. GL/RD to liaise. |
| **A76** | **Councillor Issues**  None to report, however Cllr R Dickin advised Council that airport monitoring was now being undertaken from his home. Also to be used to monitor Creamfields noise levels.  The meeting closed at 8.50 p.m. |
| **A77** | **Date and Time of Next Meeting**  The next meeting will take place on Monday 19th September at 7.30 p.m. |

**APPENDIX A**

**Article for Hatton Life produced by Amber Smith, Youth Representative, Hatton Parish Council**

Hatton has been somewhere I have called home since the day I was born and I can't imagine wanting to live else where.

Living in such a beautiful place, from a young age, has inspired me to be passionate about caring for and preserving the natural wild life. Granted, me and my closest friends in the village didn't have much luck at the age of 6 when trying to document such wild life… we soon learnt that badgers don't particularly like to come out in strong winds or, possibly more accurately in the day time. Despite our naïvety, the cul de sacs, fields and dirt tracks meant that from a young age we were able to ride bikes, play and explore independently; stretching our imaginations and ideas. These are opportunities other children growing up may not get which is why I am thankful I have been able to grow up in such a community as Hatton - it is a place where we felt safe, secure and we knew we could trust the people that live in our village.

As I have grownup here, I have been able to join groups such as my local parish council which has given me the wonderful opportunity to provide a voice for the younger residents of the  village. I feel this is something that sums up the community of Hatton, as in our village we strive to accommodate and organise events that cater to all different age ranges and people. This is evident in our annual fun day which brings people from all over the village together to participate in a day of fun and community pride. This is down to the hard work of the CSA team that work hard to put on amazing activities for all of the village all year. I really enjoy being part of the CSA team as it is a wonderful team of people and it is very enjoyable to participate in.

In Hatton we also have a village newsletter that is made to inform people of what is going on on the village, this is brought together and distributed by none other than a very dedicated team and the articles are also put onto the village website for all to see ensuring everyone knows what is happening in Hatton.

As youth representative I felt that it would only be appropriate to give the rest of the youths a chance to have their say on living in Hatton:

"Living in Hatton is fun because it is quiet and you can go outside for long walks."

*William, age 10*

"I enjoy living in Hatton as we have lots of wonderful, well run events that bring people together year on year."

*Anna, age 15*

"I think it's fun [to live in Hatton] and nice because we live in the countryside"

*Olivia, age 6*

"Living in Hatton, there is lots of great opportunities to get involved and help out and all the people here are friendly and are always nice to stop to talk to"

*Toby, age 14*

"It is nice and quiet, we really like how our village looks and the people are really nice"

*Hope and Lola, age 7 and 5*

"Everyone is close so we have a really nice community atmosphere. It is also very nice to live in such a wonderful rural environment"

*Amy, age 18*

Our wonderful village is always evolving, coming up with new ways to bring people together and create a safer environment. The people within Hatton never cease to amaze me, people that I am fortunate enough to work along side are amazingly hard working and have the best interests of the villagers at the centre of what they do. Hatton has shaped me as a person and I hope it continues to do so and I hope it continues to have such a prominent part in people's lives for generations to come as it does in ours.

Amber Smith - Youth Representative