**Final minutes of Hatton Parish Council meeting held virtually on Monday 12th October 2020**

**Present**

Paul Molphy (in the chair) Robin Brocklehurst

Phil Young Brian Axcell

Stuart Tranter Jayne Power

Julian Wrigley Fiona Burton

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| **E055** | **Welcome/Apologies**    The Chair welcomed Jayne and Fiona our two new members to the meeting. Apologies received from the Parish clerk who was unwell. |  |
| **E056** | **Open Forum for Villagers to speak to councillors with concerns/suggestions etc.**  No villagers being present the Chair continued with the agenda |  |
| **E057** | **PCSO Matters**  PCSO Wilkinson sent his apologies but emailed the following report   * One warning re drugs issued in Sankey Lane. * Speeding offence, car booked at 47mph in a 30 mph zone. |  |
| **E058** | **Declarations of interest**  There were no declarations of interest.  *As residents of Hatton, we all have an interest at different levels for Creamfields. We are all able to take advantage of their offers and this is covered by a blanket declaration as confirmed by WBC Democratic Services.* |  |
| **E059** | **Acceptance of minutes**  The minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted ST proposed JW seconded. Minutes to be signed as a true record |  |

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| **E060** | **Actions arising from previous minutes**   1. Councillor Email accounts on Hatton PC Cheshire domain – ST had sent all previous Councillors details of their new email addresses and instructions as to how to load them. He would arrange to send similar details to JP and FB as soon as possible. 2. Key cutting for noticeboard – JW had had 4 keys cut. Copies given to PM, ST, RB and himself. 3. Goose Lane footpath Stile Repair – PM had tried to contact landowner but without success. PM to make further attempts. Carry forward 4. Triangle on the common – PY had spoken to Warrington BC. They had no money to tarmac over this year. BA suggested a formal request be logged on WBC system. 5. Dates of Parish Council meetings to go on noticeboard together with information on how people can join the meeting – List of PC meetings have been placed in notice board. ST to add to Web site as well. 6. Chair & Vice chair email addresses to be updated on website – Actioned 7. Feasibility for electric charging point – ST had made initial enquiries. Cost between £1,000 & £1,500. Generally thought a good idea. RB proposed JW seconded that feasibility should go to next stage. RB to discuss with Pub owners their views on subject and availability of power supply. ST to make further enquiries about installation costs. Suggested by JW if we are to go ahead we should consider two such points. 8. Knotweed situation – Advised it is illegal to allow spread – As it is on Highway it is Warrington BC’s responsibility. BA suggested PC should write formally to WBC advising that despite previous warnings about the problem nothing had been done. | **ST**  **PM**  **PY**  **ST**  **RB/ST**  **PY** |
| **E061** | **Possible Change of Bank**  Consensus view was that because of Banks behaviour the PC were embarrassed that they were unable to pay their suppliers and contractors. Meeting reluctantly agreed to try and conclude the change of signatories with existing Bank but if PC suffered any further ridiculous delays then we should look to find alternative Bank. Clerk to pursue | **EMO/PM** |
| **E062** | **Plan – the way forward for the next 18 months - ideas from all councillors for projects and initiatives for coming year**  Chair asked for ideas? These ideas to be carried forward in Agenda for each month until completed.   1. PY suggested we consider placing bench and table at top of ginnel leading from Gosling Close. 2. FB pointed out danger of having no Footpath on part of Hatton Lane. BA suggested we write formally to WBC putting in formal request for such a path stressing the danger to pedestrians! 3. JW suggested that surface of ginnel was unsatisfactory and was in urgent need of remedial work. PC to obtain quotes for improving the ginnel footpath. 4. Chair queried whether the PC should look at producing a Neighbourhood Plan? JW said had been looked at but general reluctance to encourage further development in Village. Also Chair suggested we might seek Hatton become a Conservation Area? RB raised possibility of asking the owner of the field on corner Of Goose Lane if he would consider designating the field as a ‘Village Green’ JP advised she had been discussing with the owner his thought that it might become an Orchard. It was agreed as these were all planning related matters JW and RB would take them off the table and consider them in more detail and report back. 5. Chair suggested that we should consider organising a ‘Large Village Event when Covid allowed? All felt it a good idea. RB and JW would take this to CSA group for further consideration. | **PM/**  **EMO**  **JW**  **JW/ RB**  **JW/ RB** |
| **E063** | **Standing Stone**  JW outlined the 3 options.  \*Erect Stone as Street Art.  \* Erect Stone with suitable inscription.  \* Do nothing.  It was decided as Pandemic is still ongoing we should erect stone and decide on Inscription at a later date. PM proposed, RB seconded. Stone to be purchased and erected if cost of this below £500. JW to discuss with contractor. Inscription to be added later.  Agreed because stone owned by Mr Mallet and he was donating it effectively at cost to village it be classed as a special purchase and therefore did not need two quotes. | **JW** |
| **E064** | **Clerk Matters**  Monthly Action Calendar   1. Charity donation from fun day proceeds – defer until further notice 2. Pay annual insurance No increase in premium. Proposed PY seconded JP that this be paid**.** 3. Budget Balance Report – deferred to next meeting 4. Charity donation from carol singing proceeds – unlikely to take place this year | **EMO/ PM** |
| **E065** | **Finances including Financial Monthly Report**   1. Financial Monthly Report – EMO 2. New signatories for bank accounts PM/ST/PY – update 3. Online Banking – update – EMO   Report had been circulated. Proposed RB seconded JW that Finance Report be accepted. This item be carried forward to next meeting. |  |
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| **E066** | **Correspondence Report -** **items previously circulated via email**  **Warrington Local Plan Update** - JW reported that WBC had resolved to ‘Pause The Local Plan’ until 2021 to allow them to reconsider various issues. The South Warrington Parishes Group are in the process of putting together an alternative plan which more closely reflects the needs of the whole of Warrington based upon the current situation reflecting the change in government policy and the effect of COVID.  Two on-line meetings are being organised. The first is for the General Public, the second for Parish Councillors. This second meeting will take place on 29th October at 6.30 pm. Details will be circulated online.  **Warrington Way Ultramarathon** - a number of issues were discussed but it was unanimously agreed the PC were happy for it to proceed and go through the village. |  |
| **E067** | **Technology Matters – Lead ST**  ST confirmed he would provide details about PC Emails for JP and FB. ST would also renew his efforts to contact Rural Networks organisation re mobile signal strength in Hatton. | **ST** |
| **E068** | **Environmental Matters – Lead PY**  PY reported on situation with replacing the Shrub Beds. Mr Tate is going to move the shrubs and the areas will be grassed over. Contractor SMS had advised that he could start within next 7 days but because of Bank situation and not being able to pay him PY had correctly delayed the start. November is the best time to plant up the new beds but it is possible that the banking fiasco will not be resolved by then. If that is the case then the replanting will be delayed until February. Some of the Planters positioned around the village are very rotten. PC gave consent to replace them. RB agreed to sort out the planter on corner of Goose Lane and plant it up for Spring.  PM reported that various Traffic signs around the village were obscured by trees or hedges and that the hedge on corner of Goose Lane was as thick as make it dangerous for cars leaving Goose Lane. RB to try to improve the situation | **RB**  **RB** |
| **E069** | **Planning Matters – Lead JW**   1. JW reported that the Planning application re the Agricultural Buildings with revised access off Warrington Lane had been passed by WBC planners despite strong objections from the PC and the local residents. |  |

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|  | With regard to The New House Farm development JW advised that WBC Highways had lodged objections to the internal road layout and as a result Warrington were anticipating a revised layout to be submitted. HPC will be consulted once this has been submitted. BA thought that because of the number of dwellings proposed this application may have been upgraded to ‘Major Application’, and if so this would require it to be considered by the full Planning Committee? |  |
| **E070** | **Transport/Road Safety – Lead PY**  PY advised that the PCSO had recorded a speed of 47mph in the 30 mph Zone on Hatton Lane.    The hedge on the corner of Goose Lane was causing problems for drivers restricting their view down Warrington Lane. PY and RB agreed to cut back the offending vegetation. | **PY/RB** |
| **E071** | **Community/Social Activities/Village Communications/Creamfields – Lead RB**     1. RB apologised that he had not pursued the ‘Stained Glass Window’ because he did not appreciate it came under his remit? PM offered to send copies of the previous correspondence to enable RB to follow this up. 2. RB reported that the usual “Trick or Treat” event had been cancelled because of Covid risks. The group were considering a ‘Pumpkin Trail’ and Margaret Winstanley was preparing a report for the Village Newsletter and what’s App as the most likely entrants were followers of both. 3. RB to check whether Daresbury Church was holding the normal Remembrance Day Service. If not then it was agreed that a greater effort should be made in Hatton. RB to advise Clerk re need for 2 wreaths? | **RB**  **RB** |
| **E072** | **Chair Matters**   1. PM had circulated papers on HPC Standing Orders. All having read them PM proposed that the amendments suggested be approved and incorporated into the existing Standing Orders. Seconded by JP. Carried unanimously. 2. Future meetings have to continue in ‘Virtual Format’ until further notice. Further discussions to be held with ‘Hatton’ about meetings being held there? 3. PM had spoken to Warrington Highways department who advised that we could not incorporate the Speed restriction signs on the ’Village Gateways’. To do so would invalidate the speed limit as the Gateways were not located on the exact start point of the 30 limit? RB offered to check out the exact location of the village boundary in this area. | **RB** |

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| **E073** | **Approval of Parish Council items for Newsletter, website & social media**   1. When finalised Plans re Remembrance Day. 2. JW to provide update on Planning Matters various. 3. Deadline for Hatton Life confirmed as Friday 16th October. PY to write article on Golf Meetings. 4. Agreed that for next issue of Hatton Life JW would write piece on ‘Standing Stone’ and PY would prepare an article re Re-planting of Shrub Beds. | **JW**  **PY**  **JW**  **PY** |
| **E074** | **Councillor issues or Resident issues previously raised with Councillors directly**  PM advised Martin Dean had raised problem of bags of Rubbish having been left on Pilmoss Lane by unknown people. He had removed bags on several occasions. Rubbish and garden waste had been fly tipped on Sankey Lane. Discussions on whether CCTV cameras could be installed on private residences which also covered Sankey Lane. ST to speak to Tudor CCTV to seek advice on what might be legally possible to try and catch Fly Tippers?  Margaret Winstanley had raise the question of positioning an appropriate ‘Wire Silhouette’ next to the ‘Memorial Tree’. JW advised had been looked at before and found to be too expensive. Not possible at the moment anyway way until Shrub beds are repositioned and replanted. | **ST** |
| **E075** | **Date and time of next meeting –** 9th November 2020 – which will be held virtually at **7.45pm** |  |