

Hulland Ward Parish Council

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Unapproved Minutes of a meeting held at Hulland Ward Millennium Village Hall

On Monday 4 April 2022 at 7.00 pm

Present: Cllr P Birkbeck (Chair); Cllrs: J Scott (Vice-Chair), M Atkin, K Dean, J Morgan and New. 2 Members of the Public. Mrs B Kirkham (Clerk)

1 Attendance & Apologies

Cllr Birkbeck welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies were received from Cllrs Lewis and Thacker, Cllr D Murphy (rep DCC), Cllr R Bright (rep DDDC) Mr T Sadler (representing Hulland Village) and Ms L Redfern (representing Biggin Village).

2 Approval of Minutes of Meeting held on the 7 March 2022

The Council resolved to accept the minutes of the meeting held on the 7 March 2022 as a true record of that meeting proposed by Cllr New and seconded by Cllr Atkin.

3 Outstanding items from the previous meeting

Cllr Dean declared an interest in item 6 b). Cllr Birkbeck also declared a non-pecuniary interest as a School Governor.

4 Declaration of Interests

There were no declarations of interest on any items on the agenda.

5 Briefings and Comments

a) District and County Councillors

There were no District or County Councillors present at this meeting.

b) Invited Comments from Hulland and Biggin Parishes

There were no representatives present from Hulland and Biggin Parishes.

c) Invited Comments from members of the Public

A resident complained about the noise of vehicles which was getting worse through the village, a lot of which was caused by empty lorries. One resident has installed soundproof fencing and some residents are leaving due to the noise issue. There is also an issue of light pollution from Aggregate Industries as lights are no longer being switched off in the evening.

6. Village Development:

a) Application No 22/00242/PDA - Change of use of agricultural building to 1 No. larger dwelling house and 3 No. smaller dwelling houses (Use Class C3) and associated building operations - Agricultural Building at Muckibruk Farm, Intakes Lane, Turnditch

The Parish Council resolved that they had no objection to this application. *Action: Clerk*

b) Application No 22/00232/FUL - Erection of carport at Wardgate Cottage, Belper Road, Hulland Ward

The Parish Council resolved that they had no objection to this application. *Action: Clerk*

c) Application No 22/00327/AGR - Agricultural Prior Notification - Erection of fodder and machinery store - Magfield Farm, Smith Hall Lane, Hulland Ward – For information only, not consultation

The Parish Council resolved that they had no objection to this application. *Action: Clerk*

d) Wheeldon Way Development – Update from Working Group

Cllr Birkbeck reported that there was uncertainty about why the development was being delayed. The Working Group were to be made aware of the situation.

7 Village Image & Environment**a) Preview of the new Parish Council website**

The Clerk had now undergone training on the new website and Cllrs were shown a preview of the site. It was hoped that work would be completed within the next few weeks.

b) Update on Parish Council Facebook Page

Cllrs were disappointed to learn that Cllr Thacker had resigned from the Parish Council. However Cllr Thacker had offered to keep updating the Facebook Page until further notice.

c) Village Hall Car Park Extension

There was nothing further to report at present.

d) Speeding Issues – Signs/Community Speed Watch/Speed Watch Signs

Two Community Speed Watch sessions had been held during March. Twenty Six offenders had been recorded, 16 letters had been sent out. The police had been called out to one disgruntled motorist. The latest speed sign information had been downloaded and circulated. There was now a larger number of vehicles coming through the village, this was up by 10,000 to 85,000 per month. The highest recorded speed was 83 mph, 33% of vehicles were exceeding the speed limit every month. Cllr Dean to obtain more information about the 20s plenty campaign.

e) Neighbourhood Watch

There had been 1 burglary in the village, a key safe had been taken off a house wall and prized open. The advice from the police is that key safes should be installed out of sight. The Council were concerned that incidents in the village are not passed on from the police to the Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator, so it is difficult for residents to be warned of criminal activity.

f) Vehicle noise on the A517 Hulland Ward/Update on discussions with Longcliffe Quarries

Parish Council representatives had met with the managers at Longcliffe Quarries, the Quarries had been made aware of the issues and have agreed to a trial of keeping lorry activity to between the hours of 7.30 am and 6 pm at night. The Parish Council to be informed of the results of the trial and the cost to the company. Aggregate Industries have a 'just in time' policy which may impact on the cost and number of lorries, the company to be asked to increase their storage capacity. Additional meetings to be held with Aggregates Industries and Longcliffe Quarries in April.

g) Management of the Parish Council Land at Snappers Knowe

The land had been valued. The Clerk to write to the person who was interested in the land and suggest that they rent the land for a limited period of time, with the possibility of purchase in the future. If the land were to be sold, then the Parish Council would put restrictions on the sale to prevent the extraction of commercial timber etc. **Action: Clerk**

h) Pedestrian Crossing on the A517

Nothing to report at present.

i) Play Area Cleaning

The Parish Council Contractor was to go ahead with the cleaning, resident to supply water. Cllr New to carry out Play Area inspection after the cleaning. The Clerk to supply the relevant paperwork. **Action: Cllrs Scott, New & Clerk**

j) Signage for the Slings and Signage

The signs are ready and will be fitted in due course. The Lord Lieutenant of Derbyshire, Mrs Elizabeth Fothergill CBE to be asked to perform the opening ceremony sometime in late May. **Action: Clerk**

k) Update on the Village Litter Pick

The litter pick had been very successful. There was a considerable amount of litter on Smithall Lane. Cllr Thacker would be prepared to organise future litter picking events if necessary.

l) Queen Elizabeth's Platinum Celebrations/Presentation of Mugs to the School Children

A Church Service and Pudding and Prosecco events were planned. The Council resolved to purchase commemorative mugs for all of the children attending Hulland School. **Action: Clerk**

m) Update on Issues at Hulland Ward and Brailsford Doctor's Surgery

Representatives from the Parish Council were to attend a meeting at Brailsford and report back to the next meeting. Cllr Birkbeck to raise queries about the awarding of the contract and impact on Hulland Ward. The Council hoped that meeting could still be held in Hulland Ward.

n) Parish Council Notice Board

The Parish Council Notice Board near the shop was not considered fit for purpose, Clerk to obtain quote for replacement. The village notice board also needed refurbishment. Cllr Scott to obtain quote. **Action: Cllr Scott & Clerk**

8 Finance and Administration**a) National Salary Award for Parish Clerks**

Parish Clerks had been awarded a national salary increase of 1.75% backdated to 1 April 2021. The Council resolved to approve this increase and pay the back pay due.

b) Purchase of Tabletop Display Stand

The Council resolved the purchase of a tabletop display stand at a cost of approximately £120. **Action: Clerk**

c) Co-option of a Parish Councillor

A resident expressed an interest in becoming a Parish Councillor. It was noted that due to the resignation of Cllr Thacker, the Council currently had 2 vacancies.

d) Review of Financial Regulations

Cllr Scott had reviewed the regulations; the Clerk was to address the queries raised. This matter to be carried forward to the next meeting.

e) Update on Finances

The balance in the current account was £18,257.44.

f) Invoices and Expenses for approval at this meeting

The Council unanimously resolved to approve payment of the following items:

Catena	194.40
DALC Subscription	443.27
Clerk's Salary	294.94
Nest Pensions	26.52
Clerk's Expenses	16.08
HMRC	204.40

9 Review & Update on Capital Projects

The Council noted that they may have to consider selling an asset in order to complete work on the Village Hall car park extension.

10 Councillor's Reports and Observations

- Clerk to send copy of lamp post testing report to Cllr Dean. **Action: Clerk**
- Large green tank had been installed at the Severn Trent sewerage works. Cllr New was awaiting a response from Severn Trent.
- Defibrillator antiseptic wipes were out of date, new ones would be sent out with the remaining pads which were on order.
- The area will not be getting another PCSO, the current officer has left and will not be replaced, matters should be referred to PC Elaine Porter and another officer who are based at Matlock.

- As previously mentioned, residents were suffering light pollution from Aggregate Industries, Clerk to write to the company. **Action: Clerk**

11 Clerk's Report and Correspondence

Most correspondence had gone out by email. A resident had asked about parking in the village, it was suggested that they advertise in the Hulland Herald.

12 Date for Next Parish Council Meeting

The Annual Parish Meeting will be held on Monday 9 May at 7pm immediately followed by the Annual Parish Council Meeting.

The meeting closed at 8.35 pm.

Signed

Dated 9 May 2022