

Hulland Ward Parish Council

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Minutes of a Parish Council Meeting held at Hulland Ward Millennium Village Hall On Monday 15 May 2023 at 7.00 pm

Present: Cllr P Birkbeck (Chair), M Atkin, A Champion, K Dean, J Morgan. S Morgan, Cllr D Murphy (DCC) Mr T Sadler (representing Hulland Village) 1 member of the public. Mrs B Kirkham (Clerk).

1 Attendance & Apologies

Cllr Birkbeck welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies were received from Ms L Redfern (representing Hulland Village)

1. Election of Parish Council Chair

Cllr Birkbeck was elected Chair, proposed by Cllr Morgan, seconded by Cllr Atkin.

2. Election of Parish Council Vice-Chair

This matter was to be left until the next meeting.

3. Co-option of Parish Councillors

Shane Morgan introduced himself to the meeting and it was resolved that Shane be co-opted to the Council, Shane signed the acceptance of office and joined the Councillors

4. Roles & Responsibilities of Parish Councillors

It was resolved that Councillors undertake the following areas of responsibility:

- a) **Planning** – Cllr Birkbeck/Cllr J Morgan
- b) **Speed Signs & Community Speed Watch** – Cllr Dean
- c) **Defibrillator** – Cllr Atkin
- d) **Neighbourhood Watch** – Cllr Atkin
- e) **Estate Issues** – Cllr Atkin/Cllr Champion
- f) **Village Hall Liaison** – Vacant
- g) **Website/Publicity** – Clerk with support from Ms Thacker
- h) **Grass Mowing** – Cllr Champion
- i) **Main Road Hedge Cutting** – Cllr S Morgan
- j) **Play Area & Playing Field** - Vacant
- k) **Village Environment & Bulb/Tree Planting** – Mr D Lewis

5. Council Policies for Approval

a) Financial Regulations

The Council resolved to accept the Financial Regulations as presented.

b) Standing Orders

The Council resolved to accept the Standing Orders as presented.

c) Code of Conduct

The Council resolved to accept the Code of Conduct as presented.

d) Asset Register

The Asset Register had been updated; the Council resolved to accept this as a true record of the Council assets.

6. Dates & Times for Parish Council Meetings for the next 12 months

The Council resolved to continue meeting on the first Monday of the month, wherever possible. The following provisional meeting dates were agreed for 2023: 5 June, 3 July, 4 September, 2 October, 6 November, 4 December, 2024: 8 January, 5 February, 4 March, 8 April, 13 May,

7. Approval of Minutes of the meeting held on the 3 April 2023

The Council resolved to accept the minutes of the last meeting held on the 3 April as a true and accurate record of that meeting.

8. Outstanding items from the previous meeting

There was one valuation still outstanding on the Snappers Knowe woodland, the Clerk reported that this would be received within the next week and then all 3 valuations would be circulated to Councillors.

Cleaning of Hulland Ward signs, Cllr Champion to ask the handyman to do this work. **Action: Cllr Champion**

Coronation medals to be presented in the next few days. **Action: Cllr Birkbeck**

9. Declaration of interests

Cllr Birkbeck declared a non-pecuniary interest as a School Governor. Cllr Champion declared a non-pecuniary interest as a clergyman in the Diocese of Derby.

10. Briefings/Comments:

a) District and County Councillors

Cllr Murphy now represented the District and the County Councils; Cllr Murphy commented that canvassing had been a useful exercise; speeding/pot holes/school crossing/medical centre were the main concerns raised by residents. Cllr Murphy was to look into the possibility of a School Crossing Patrol for Hulland Ward. There was no news on the Intake Lane crossroads work.

b) Invited comments from Hulland and Biggin Parishes

Mr Tim Sadler commented that the work of the Hulland Ward litter picking group had led to good publicity and thanks go to everyone who took part. Cllr Murphy commented that the Chief Executive of Derbyshire would be visiting Hulland Village and Hulland Ward.

c) Invited comments from the public

No comments were received.

11. Village Development:

a) 23/00399/FUL - Extension to existing agricultural building - Land East Of Hillcliffe Lane Turnditch

The Parish Council resolved to have no objection to this application. **Action: Clerk**

b) Update on Wheeldon Way Development

It was noted that there was some road damage caused by contractors, which would need to be made good in due course.

12. Village Image & Environment:

a) Grass Verge Cutting opposite Biggin View

Cllr Champion to check that the grass is being cut, this should be in the handyman's contract. **Action: Cllr Champion**

b) Grass Verge repairs near Hawthorn House

The development has still not been completed but builders have promised to reinstate the grass verge when work on this site is completed.

c) Proposed changes to speed limit on Dog Lane, Moss Lane and Derby Road, Hulland Ward Order 2023

The Council were very much in favour of the changes to the speed limit in these areas. Clerk to send a letter of support, the information was also to go on Facebook and the Council website. **Action: Clerk**

d) Memorial Bench on Hulland Ward Playing Field

Funds had been raised for the purchase of the bench. The Council were happy to accept the choice of bench. The handyman was to be asked for a quote for the installation. **Action: Cllr Champion**

e) Fencing in the community orchard

Cllrs Birkbeck and Champion to view the issue to look at a possible resolution. **Action: Cllrs Birkbeck & Champion**

13. Finance and Administration:

a) Update on the audit for 22/23

The Clerk reported that the audit had now been completed and full details would be circulated in due course with Council approval sought at the June meeting. **Action: Clerk**

b) Parish Council Insurance Renewal

The Council considered that the current insurance cover was adequate and as such agreed to accept the quote as part of the Council's 3-year long term agreement with the insurers.

c) Updating Bank Signatories

It was resolved that Cllr Champion be added as a bank signatory. **Action: Clerk & Cllr Champion**

d) Update on Finances

The precept of £20,000 had now been received, this gave a balance in the current account of £35,559.80.

e) Invoices and Expenses for approval at this meeting:

The Council resolved to approve payment of the following invoices:

BHIB Councils Insurance	631.08
Cartwright Landscaping & Maintenance	80.00
Mrs B Astbury	130.00
Clerk's Salary	257.43
Nest Pensions	34.97
Clerk's Expenses (including Coronation items)	669.32

14. Review & Update on Capital Projects

There was nothing further to report at present. The Clerk had emailed the District Council for an update on the transfer of the Playing Field.

15. Councillor's Reports & Observations

- Speed data for April had now been published. Cllr Dean still looking into average speed cameras.
- There had been a complaint about the disposal of grass cuttings on the Slangs. Cllr Champion to follow up on this matter. **Action: Cllr Champion**
- The Dog Lane sign still needed to put back in place. Clerk to report to Fix my street. **Action: Clerk**
- There were some concerns about the use of the recreation area on George Rodgers Close.
- It had been suggested that some grassed areas around the village should be planted with wildflower seeds.
- The drain cover near the memorial bench still needs attention, it is very dangerous and grass is growing around it. Cllr Birkbeck to follow up. **Action: Cllr Birkbeck**
- There was concern about the capacity of the sewerage works.
- A complaint had been received about grass cuttings being left in the road and not being swept up.

- Restoration work on the notice board had still not been done.
- A planning application had been received on the day of the meeting regarding works at Hanson Quarry, this included the excavation of a 12-acre field. Clerk to ask for more time to enable the Parish Council to discuss the matter at the next meeting. If it was not possible to have an extension to the time for comments then the Council resolved to oppose the application.

Action: Clerk

- There had been several resignations on the Village Hall Committee; it was proposed Cllrs Birkbeck and Dean attend the next committee meeting which it was proposed be held in June.

Action: Cllrs Birkbeck & Dean

16. Clerk's Report & Correspondence

Most items have gone out by email. The Clerk reminded Councillors that the Register of Pecuniary Interest Forms and Councillor expenses forms needed to be completed within 28 days of the election and suggested that these be handed in at the next meeting at the very latest. **Action: Cllrs**

17. Date of next Meeting

The next meeting would be held on Monday 5 June at 7 pm in the Village Hall. The meeting closed at 8.40pm.

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Dated