

Minutes of a meeting of Hinderwell Parish Council

9th June 2022, 7.05pm at St Hilda's Old School, Hinderwell

Chairman welcomed Cynthia Brew to her first meeting as a Parish Councillor

2022:06-00 Those Present

Cllr I Walker, Chairman. Cllrs: I Longster, C Jackson, Endean, Smith, Brew and Ellis.

Two members of the public.

Carol Barker, Clerk.

2022:06-01 To receive apologies for absence and approve reasons for absence

Cllrs Brooker and Bailey sent apologies. Proposed to accept by Cllr C Jackson and seconded by Cllr Endean.

2022:06-02 Declarations of interest

None.

2022:06-03 Minutes of previous meeting

Minutes for Annual Meeting of the Council accepted as a true record, proposed Cllr Jackson seconded Cllr Walker.

Minutes for the May meeting of the Council accepted as a true record with one minor amendment, proposed Cllr Jackson, Seconded Cllr Walker.

Minutes for the Annual Parish Meeting were checked for accuracy.

2022:06-04 Matters arising from previous minutes

Hinderwell War Memorial - Poppy wreaths have eventually been returned.

Play Areas - Safety repairs – SBC has started repairs- but not satisfactory- reported to SBC.

Platinum Jubilee Celebrations: All had gone well, with National Lottery money being spent wisely.

Many letters/emails of thanks for all that HPC had done locally.

2022:06-05 Election of Vice Chair

Cllr Alastair Smith was proposed by Cllr Endean and seconded Cllr Jackson. All in favour.

2022:06-06 North Yorkshire Police Report

Police not in attendance. Their monthly crime report had already been circulated to Councillors. Cllr Walker wants a meeting with PCSO Pennock to discuss issues. Clerk to arrange. Police Report to go onto HPC's website.

2022:06-07 Reports from Borough/County Councillors

Cllr Chance had advised via telephone, that he has a meeting on 15th June to discuss the public consultation responses re parking on Hinderwell High Street. Clerk to check he has all the facts.

2022:06-08 Annual Parish Meeting

- A) Public consultation: Cllr Walker proposed that at future meetings between 6.45pm and 7pm, members of the public can attend in person and say who they are, where they are from and state their issue in a 2 minute time slot to all the Councillors. If no one comes, then the meeting will start earlier. Cllrs thought this a good idea. A vote was taken – All in favour. To be implemented from July meeting. Cllr Brew asked how public can contact the Council – reply was either telephone or email.
- B) Alternate meetings: It was proposed to alternate the venue for HPC meetings between Hinderwell and Staithes. Clerk to seek a venue – either Staithes Village Hall or Seton School. Trial it for 6 months.
- C) Deposit Account: Clerk reported that it is difficult to get a good rate of interest at present and Councils have strict rules where they can invest funds as small as £10,000. Clerk to seek advice from SLCC Clerks Forum.
- D) Quarterly Finance Meetings: Cllr Walker wants a separate committee to meet every 3 months just before a regular HPC meeting. Not a decision making group but to look at tenders and budgeting etc. He will draw up terms of reference for presentation to next HPC meeting.

2022:06-09 Co-option of Councillor

No applications received. Cllr Walker to advertise the vacancy on Facebook.

2022:06-10 Planning Matters

None.

2022:06-11 Finance - Authorisation of cheques, Cemetery Fence Tenders, Insurance

Payments to the value of £7,144.60. Proposed Cllr Jackson and seconded Cllr Endean.

Cemetery Fencing Tenders – three in total received – Cllrs voted to take bid from D Knaggs.

Insurance - A new 3 year agreement has been taken out with Gallaghers, a 20 % increase.

2022:06-12 Parish Maintenance

Staithes Northbound Bus Shelter: Cllr Walker had met with the Structural Engineer who said that demolition is too expensive as its rear wall is holding up the bank side behind the structure. Cllr Walker had met with 'John the Brickie' who is willing to re-point the brickwork and clear the blocked drainage pipes as advised in the Structural Engineer's original report. This should cost in the region of £350. Cllr Brew to supply water and electricity connection. Cllr Smith proposed that it was essential to get the remedial work done. Seconded Cllr Longster. All in favour. Caretaker to repaint interior of shelters.

Drainage on Hinderwell High Street: Cllr Walker had noticed severe problems with drains between Palmers Square and 71 High Street, - awaiting an inspection by NYCC Highways Officer.

NYCC Highways update: already circulated. Parking issues on Hinderwell High Street, still ongoing.

Widening of footpath beside A174 H'well to Staithes to allow access for wheel chair users– NYCC have replied: **"A bid was submitted to the County Council's Accessibility Fund but the bid was not successful. We will continue to look for funding avenues"**.

Jubilee Benches: One already in situ at Hinderwell Village Hub. Cllr Ellis expressed the view from residents that this bench should be sited at Runswick Bank Top or Hinderwell Play Area. The Chairman said we didn't need any more benches in the Play Area as 3 there already. The second to be sited at Staithes Community Sports Club. Clerk to arrange delivery.

Cllr Longster advised Clerk of dead leaves in Cemetery and supplied photos.

Cllr Endean asked for grass verges to be cut back more severely at Bank Top Lane, Runswick.

Cllr Endean advised of rubble/tarmac/gravel left in Runswick from recent road re-surfacing.

Cllr Endean reported suspicious activity in Bank Top car park – Clerk to notify PCSO Pennock

Cllr Walker asked if Village Caretaker could cut back hedge debris from Pond Farm corner/High St.

Cllr Ellis reported that parish seat between Hinderwell and Staithes needed grass cutting around it.

2022:06-13 Correspondence

NYMNPA Parish Member election – Cllrs voted for their preferred candidate.

Phone Mast at Staithes: HPC had asked for site at East Cliffe Lodge to be considered, but Clarke Telecom had replied that site unsuitable and they prefer a new mast at Gateway Centre Garages.

Clerk to advise them that HPC will not support this location.

Housing Event – Official Opening of new social housing in Staithes on Friday 8th July. Cllrs invited to official lunch and opening – Clerk to get numbers of attendees.

Post Office Van – recent break down of vehicle has left residents without a service for several weeks – Clerk and Cllr Jackson had both reported to the Post Office and got a 'not our fault' response.

Letter to Robert Goodwill MP from previous Chairman read to meeting re: holiday lets/council tax.

2022:06-14 To notify Clerk of matters for inclusion on the Agenda for the next meeting

Meeting closed at 8.35pm

Date of Next Meeting: Thursday 7th July 2022, 7pm, St Hilda's Old School, Hinderwell.

Moved By

Seconded by:

Resolved that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 9.06.2022 having been circulated be taken as read and approved by the Council.

Chairman to sign: