

Minutes of the Husborne Crawley Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 22nd November 2023 in The Reading Room, Husborne Crawley starting at 8pm.

Present: Councillors – T Hopper - Chairman, G Lang, B O'Rourke & Lyn Lyman (Clerk)

1708. **To accept Apologies:**

Apologies were received from Cllrs J Murphy and S Pearston.

1709 **Co-option of new Councillors:**

There are vacancies for 2 Parish Cllrs.

1710. **Declaration of Members' Interests:**

a) Declaration of members interest of a non-pecuniary nature:

(Having membership of a club, charity etc or a close relationship). Cllr Pearston – Charity and Reading Room Committee. Cllr Murphy – Reading Room Committee.

b) Declaration of members interest of a pecuniary nature:

(Having a financial bearing on a member or their spouse/partner). None.

1711. **Open Forum:**

Residents will have the chance to raise anything relevant to Parish Council business but they will not be able to discuss the subject more than once. A maximum of 2 minutes per subject will be allowed:

Nothing raised.

1712. **To accept Minutes of previous Meeting:**

It was **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Parish Meeting held on 27th September 2023 be signed as a true record of events.

1713. **To consider Matters arising:**

1700 CB Cllr Baker had previously asked for speed checks. Once these have been carried out the data needs to be collated by CBC. Nothing further has been heard re the checks/data.

Action: JB

1702c Cllr Hopper had spoken to Peter George: and it was agreed that first aid training on both the defibrillator and general was too expensive. Maybe Peter George could look into the keyring method circulated to all residents as in Blakesley.

Action: TH

1702d Cllr Hopper agreed to speak to Peter George to see if the cost of the renovation of the blue church sign by Ed Durdey could be taken from the donation from the Parish Council.

Action: TH

The sheep field situation in Aspley Guise was discussed. It was agreed as a Parish Council we would not enter into discussions. Individuals could do as they pleased.

The parish council did respond to the planning application concerning warehousing in Ridgmont but a decision has not yet been made.

Wicksteed Leisure have been asked if they could make repairs to some of the play equipment (which they supplied a number of years ago). They have asked for photos and

asked if we could measure the bolt. Cllr Hopper agreed to look at the report to check what is required.

1714. **To accept reports:**
Ward Cllr Baker:
 No report available.

St James Church: Recently another jazz evening was held and a wreath making session is to take place in December. A camera club has started up and the choir also practices there occasionally. A carol service will take place on 14th December. It was thought to be a good idea to invite Peter George to pop into a parish council meeting and give an update on the church.
Action: LL / PG

Ian Delgarno, the Deputy PCC, has expressed an interest in attending parish council meetings around the area occasionally. He has asked for a copy of the safety report regarding the footpath/hedge situation to be forwarded to him. Cllr Pearston is to be asked if she can forward a copy to him.

Action: SP

Hedges along Turnpike Road still require cutting back as does the hedge round the phone box. 14 Horsepool round to 15 + 16 Turnpike. 17 is privately owned.
Action: LL

Speedwatch: Due to illness, this months Speedwatch session has been cancelled.

1715. **To accept accounts:**
 This is correct as the Clerk was in hospital over the summer.

Approx balance as at 2nd October 2023 £20,927.17. (November)

Income:

Precept	6,650.00
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Expenditure:

Husborne Crawley Fireworks Donation	150.00
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Peter George (Partytent) Replacement roof to marquee	224.46
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Bedford Estates Annual Licence	1.00
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CBC Uncontested byelection charge	54.56
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Mrs Lyman WFH allowance (May – Nov)	130.00
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Mrs Lyman Salary May – Nov	571.60
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Regarding the payment to St James PCC (£200) for possible refurbishment of the blue noticeboard at St James, don't pay it yet as there needs to be more discussion.

1716. To consider Budget/Precept:

After discussion, it was unanimously agreed the precept request stay the same as last year (£6,650).

1717. To accept correspondence / planning:

CB/TCA/23/00506 Crawley House, Crawley Park. Works to trees within a Conservation Area. Sycamore to be felled; 2 Limes to be reduced in height and deadwood cleared. No objections.

1718. Date of next meetings:

Wednesday 24th January 2024 starting at 8pm.

Meeting closed: 9.10pm

T Hopper
Chairman