

Minutes of the Husborne Crawley Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 17th January 2022 in The Reading Room, Husborne Crawley starting at 8pm.

Present: Councillors: W Cuell - Chairman, P George, T Hopper, G Lang, E Lear, S Pearston, B O'Rourke & Lyn Lyman (Clerk).

1589. **To accept Apologies:**
No apologies received.

1590. **To accept Minutes of previous Meeting:**
It was **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 15th November 2021 be signed as a true record of events.

1591. **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 and Cllr George – Reading Room & PCC.

b) Declaration of members interest of a pecuniary nature:

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

1592. **To consider Matters arising:**

HGV situation: CB Cllr Baker had previously agreed to take this forward but nothing has been heard from him to date. We must continue taking photos where possible and reporting them although it was felt that the situation has been slightly better lately. The Camera Vans have been present too.

1581b New noticeboard for the Reading Room car park has now been ordered and should be delivered in about 6 weeks. The working party would be led by Cllr Hopper.

1582b Regarding the missing litter bin on The Recreation Ground: The Clerk had written asking when it was going to be returned or replaced but they have said they didn't remove the bin when they were reminded it needed emptying. The Clerk agreed to follow this up with CB Cllr Baker. Also to request a bin in Horsepool Lane. **Action: LL/JB**

1584a CBC will again be supplying bags of salt as in previous years (half ton / one ton sacks). After further discussion it was agreed not to take this up this year.

1584b The BT Box in Horsepool Lane has been tidied up and cleaned by BT. It is now working but only by using credit cards. BT has advised that the planned removal of the box has now been cancelled due to CBC having received an objection to the removal. This weekend, the state of the box is as bad as previously! It was wondered whether cctv signs may help. After discussion, as the Clerk has been unsuccessful in getting the box closed and removed, it was agreed to ask CB Cllr Baker if he could get it removed. **Action: LL/JB**

1593. **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.

1594. **To accept Reports:**

CB Cllr Baker: No report available.

St James Church: Cllr George reported

- that a roof alarm is to be fitted this week. This is to protect lead/copper on the tower.
- A temporary toilet has been installed.
- The Carol Service held just before Christmas where some 35 people attended. 7 carols were sung and readings were read but unfortunately there was no choir due to Covid. The service was led by Rev Diane Young (Woburn Sands). A working party decorated the church.
- The Wreath making session was well attended and raised money for the Church.
- The PCC now has control of the accounts and so will move forward.
- There have been enquiries re bell ringing training but this will not take place yet due to Covid and the confined space.
- Services planned: Mothering Sunday, Easter, Queens Jubilee, Harvest Festival, Remembrance Sunday & Carol Service.
- Maybe have Hymns & Pimms during the summer.
- Non religious events are being organised as fund raising events to get the Church back into the village use. There is to be a Jazz Evening on 29th January + wine, beer and non alcoholic drinks.
- A Website is being put together.
- A sound system is being purchased jointly with The Reading Room.

PCC would like to make a splash for the Queens Jubilee, maybe between PC, PCC, The Reading Room and The School although there are only 4/6 local children.. Maybe on the Saturday – village event. 4/5/6th June.

If we hold an event to celebrate the Queens Jubilee we may not hold a fete this year. Will need to organise a Jubilee Planning Committee which may morph into a Fete Committee in future years.

Cllr George will circulate a request for volunteers for the Jubilee Planning Committee and Cllr Pearston will speak to Mrs Willans as head teacher.

The suggested Jubilee Planning meeting date is 7th February in the Reading Room starting at 8pm. In principle the PC agree to make a donation.

Defibrillator: The defibrillator has been received and we now have to see where it can be fitted. Cllr George has spoken to Peter Jones and it looks as though the best site would be on the School Lane side of the Reading Room. Peter Jones prefers a fully qualified electrician to install so the Reading Room Committee will organise this.

Speedwatch: Cllr Pearston said a programme on TV this evening included an interview with the Maulden Speedwatch Group.

1595. **To consider Correspondence / Planning:**

BMK News November issue.

CBC proposed temporary road closure – Church End Farm culvert, School Lane. Replacement of existing culvert with a single span precast reinforced concrete box culvert. These works are expected to take place from 4th July – 23rd September 2022 for 24 hrs a day

Planning Application:

CB/21/04821/Full Land to the west of Mill Road, Husborne Crawley.

Construction of a new farmyard to include a grain dryer, grain store, general purpose building, new access track and surface water drainage scheme. First seen 22nd November 2021.

1596. **To accept Accounts:**

Approx balance as at 5th January 2022 £23,597.76 which includes the donation towards the

safety surfacing from Galliford Try and Cllr Grant towards notice board.

Expenditure:

British Heart Foundation Defibrillator	1,759.99	000615
Cancelled		000616
HMRC PAYE 3 rd ¼	85.80	000617
Mrs Lyman Clerks WFH Allowance	52.00	000618
Gordon Ellis & Co Noticeboard	1,317.60	000619
Mrs Lyman Clerks Salary – November	114.32	s/o
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	3,444.03	

It was unanimously **RESOLVED** that the above invoices be paid.

1597. **Section 106 Play Equipment update:**

Section 106 Funding is £9,111.80.

It has been difficult to locate someone who can install the new equipment. As installation through Broxap would be so expensive, after discussion it was agreed to contact Redlynch Leisure and see what items they may be able to supply and install.

It was agreed to purchase a replacement bench at the lower end of the Recreation Ground.

Action: LL

The quote for safety surfacing to match the rest in the recreation area – to remove existing rubber tiles and dispose of them £700.00 and to supply and install the tiger mulch £1,404.00 = £2,104 + VAT has been received from Redlynch. The sum of £2,524.80 has been received from Galliford Try to enable the safety surfacing to be completed. This work is to be done when they are in the area carrying out other work. The clerk has chased them up on this and will do so again.

Action: LL

<i>6 x Sheep Play Sculpture</i>	<i>3,390.00</i>	<i>4 x Sheep</i>	<i>1,596.00</i>
<i>1 x Balance Beam</i>	<i>199.00</i>		<i>160.00</i>
<i>1 Hawkley Adventure Trail</i>	<i>995.00</i>		<i>715.00</i>
<i>Installation</i>	<i>4,478.00</i>		<i>3,360.00</i>
<i>Carriage charge</i>	<i>342.00</i>		<i>240.00</i>
<i>Site Survey</i>	<i>750.00</i>		

<i>Inspection Report</i>	395.00	
<i>Plant Hire & Skips</i>	1,500.00	
	<u>12,049.00</u>	<u>6,071.00</u>

Cllr Hopper has tried to get people to install but everyone is too busy. Need someone who is insured

1598. **Date of next meetings:**
Monday 21st March 2022.

Meeting closed: 9.05 pm.

Cllr W Cuell
Chairman