The **Monthly Meeting** of the **Hawthorn Parish Council** was held at 7. pm on **Monday 18th July 2016** in the **Community Centre**

**MINUTES**

**Present**

Cllr. Alan Askew (Chairman)

Michael Dowson (Vice Chairman)

Diane Hughes, Sheila Irving, George Vest

DCC Cllr. Angela Surtees

**Officer**: Lesley Swinbank (Parish Clerk)

# Apologies

Cllr Maxine Smith, Norman Hughes

PCSO Niall Thubron

# Declarations of Interest

None

# Minutes:

#  RESOLVED

To approve the minutes of the meeting on Monday June 13th, 2016.

# Matters of Information

## Community Assets.

The Clerk confirmed the Stapylton Arms is now registered as a community asset.

It was agreed to now progress to register the Church.

# Reports;

## Police

Apologies had been received from PCSO Niall Thubron who could not attend the meeting. His report, however, had been circulated.

**RESOLVED**

**To receive the report.**

## Co. Cllr.

The Chairman welcomed Cllr. Angela Surtees to the meeting who then proceeded to give her report including: -

* 1. The fence over the beck on Stockton Road has now been repaired. The hedge at Glencot Grove will be included in DCC’s annual maintenance.
	2. DCC is currently considering its medium term fixed plan following Brexit
	3. The road sweeper will be coming out to remove the glass on the road following a recent accident.
	4. DCC are asking the police to talk to residents at those houses on Stockton Road where there are some issues re cars parking on the pavement.

Cllr Surtees was also asked about other issues including: -

1. Land between Glencot Grove and Glencot House
2. Hedges and branches on roadside.
3. Progress with the Wind Turbine application.

Cllr. Surtees said she will look into these and will report back to the next meeting.

The Chairman thanked Cllr Surtees for her report and she then left the meeting.

## Community Centre

Cllr. Diane Hughes gave the report including: -

1. The recent summer fair made £520
2. The craft fair will be held on November 26th
3. The centre is now looking for funding for improvement works to the outbuildings
4. The new sound system is now ready.
5. The centre is looking to organise a ceilidh on the evening when the Christmas tree lights are switched on – December 3rd.
6. The community centre wall has been damaged by a car.

## Defibrillator

The Clerk reported on the meeting with Wren Electrician re wiring in the defibrillator. The prices had been circulated.

**RESOLVED**

1. **To accept the price of £301.61 to wire in the defibrillator and £123.17 for the Christmas Tree socket.**
2. **To request the work is done as soon as possible.**

## East Durham Local Councils Committee

The Chairman reported on the meeting which he and the Clerk attended.

**RESOLVED**

**To receive the report.**

##  ROSPA Play equipment report

The ROSPA report had been circulated.

**RESOLVED**

**To receive the report and implement all urgent repairs.**

## Any other reports

There were no additional reports.

# Public Participation

The Chairman closed the meeting whilst the public were invited to give their views and comments.

There were no comments. The meeting was then re-opened.

# Correspondence / emails

## Stapylton Arms: Community asset (DCC)

A letter has been received from DCC confirming that the Stapylton Arms is now registered as a community asset.

**RESOLVED**

**To receive the information.**

## Information from NALC

The Nalc Chief Executive’s newsletter had been circulated.

**RESOLVED**

**To receive the information.**

# Financial:

## Expenditure

**RESOLVED**

**To approve the following payments.**

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| 100829 | 10/07/2016 | SLCC | Training Hardwick Hall | £41.40 |
| 100830 | 10/07/2016 | ROSPA | Annual Play equipment | £105.00 |

## External audit report

The report from BDO is awaited.

# Training:

Information re the CTP finance training event on September 8th had been circulated.

**RESOLVED**

**Cllr. Alan Askew to attend.**

# Current Planning Applications: Re DCC Lists

There were no applications.

# Events

## Sunflower Competition

**RESOLVED**

**In view of the delay in the growing season, to delay the judging.**

## Christmas Tree Lights – Switch on

The arrangements are now underway.

**RESOLVED**

**To discuss in detail at the September meeting.**

## Newsletter

The Clerk reported that she is awaiting confirmation of the date for the training for the defibrillator and will then compile the next newsletter for circulation by members of the council.

**RESOLVED**

**To receive the information**

# Date of the next meeting: Monday September 19th, 2016

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 8.25 pm.