

**The October Monthly Meeting of the Hawthorn Parish Council was held at 7pm on
Monday 17th October 2022 in the Community Centre.**

MINUTES

Present

Cllr Diane Hughes (Chairman)
Cllr. Sheila Irving (Vice – Chairman)
Cllrs Alan Askew, Maxine Smith, Sheila Wilson, Carolyn Winter, Gary Thompson

DCC Cllr. Angela Surtees

Officer: Lesley Swinbank (Parish Clerk)

Members of the Public: 2

1 Notice of Meeting

Public Notice of the Meeting has been given in accordance with Sch 12 paragraph 10(2) of the LGA 1972

2 Apologies:

None received.

3 Declarations of Interest

Item 5.5: Play Area: Cllr Maxine Smith

4 Minutes:

RESOLVED

To approve the Minutes of the September Monthly Meeting held Monday September 26th, 2022

5 Matters of Information: As per attached information sheet

5.1 Request for netball post

Dalton le dale confirmed they have not accessed grants for their equipment.
The Clerk to obtain prices etc

5.2 State of footpath West Lane

DCC contacted and confirmed re an inspection.

5.3 Annexing grassed areas

Advice being taken on registering this as village green.

5.4 Civility and respect Pledge

Pledge made and certificate received.

5.5 Trees on village Green

Application for permitted works being made.

6 Reports

6.1 Police

No report had been received.

6.2 DCC

The Chairman, Cllr. Diane Hughes welcomed DCC Cllr Angela Surtees to the meeting.

Cllr. Surtees then proceeded to give her report.

6.2.1 B1432

Cllr. Surtees informed members that the process is underway in respect of the new signage etc but that new road markings would need to be done in the next few weeks – or these would be postponed until April due to possible frost etc.

6.2.2 Road Sweeper

Cllr. Carolyn Winter commented on problems when the road sweeper is in Hawthorn – due to parked cars.

Cllr. Surtees said she would inform the Clerk of dates etc and which then could be advertised in the Round Up – and a possible leaflet drop advising residents to move their cars on these days – which would allow the road sweeper to access all verges.

6.2.3 New swings for older children / netball post

Cllr. Surtees advised that there were some monies remaining in her members fund – and suggested costs for swings for older children / netball post be forwarded to her.

The Chairman thanked Cllr. Surtees for attending the meeting and addressing all questions and queries.

6.3 Community Centre

Cllr. Sheila Wilson gave the report.

This included details of the talk and presentation by Gordon Macpherson on Saturday 19th November.

Cllr. Wilson was thanked by the Chairman.

6.4 Play Area Fencing: Hedging

The Clerk had circulated costs of possible hedging.

RESOLVED

- a) **Not to pursue hedging for the play area.**
- b) **The contractor to obtain prices for sections similar to existing.**

6.5 Play area report and recommendations re repairs

Cllr. Maxine Smith declared an interest.

Members were informed that the contractor has now completed works on those items listed as high risk in the recent DCC report.

These included: -

- The gate

- The sand pit
- The slide embankment.

RESOLVED

DCC to be asked to look at the other suggested repairs with regard to: -

- **The rope ladder**
- **Children's seats**

7 Public Participation

Two members of the public raised the issue of children climbing over the fence in the play area into the adjacent field where there are horses grazing.

The Council are looking at repairing / improving the existing fence but will include information on this in the next Round Up.

8 Correspondence

None received.

9 Financial:

9.1 Monthly payments

There had been no new payments since the previous meeting.

9.2 Budgets: ½ Year

These had been circulated.

RESOLVED

To approve the ½ yearly budgets

9.3 Drop box storage

The Clerk informed members of recent notifications about the drop box storage limit being reached.

The Clerk informed members that she had personally purchased a new laptop with large storage, and which could be used to back up much of the council's information. No personal information is held – which would contravene GDPR.

As and when the Clerk retires – then the Parish Council will at that time need to make appropriate arrangements for the transfer and storage of their information.

RESOLVED

To receive the information

9.4 \$106 Monies available

The Clerk had circulated information from DCC.

RESOLVED

i. To receive the information

ii. To forward costs for new swings / netball post to DCC Cllr Angela Surtees for consideration from the DCC members funds.

9.5 Donation Hospital Radio request

RESOLVED

Not to give a donation at this time.

10 Training:

None received at this time.

11 Current Planning Applications

Councillor Alan Askew gave details of progress with the current applications.

RESOLVED

To receive the information

12 Events & Information

12.1 Remembrance Day

RESOLVED

Cllr Alan Askew to purchase a poppy wreath at a cost of £25 and which will be laid at the Remembrance service by the Chairman of the Council.

12.2 Armed Forces Day

RESOLVED

To defer discussion until the Spring.

12.3 Walking the footpaths

RESOLVED

To confirm a date in April 2023 – once Cllr Gary Thompson is able to confirm he will be able to lead this.

12.4 Christmas Event

The Action Plan had been circulated.

RESOLVED

To approve the action plan and the purchase of the presents for the children.

12.5 Summer Community Event

The date of the Coronation has now been confirmed as Saturday May 6th.

RESOLVED

To hold the village event on the Sunday 7th

12.6 Diary of events 2023

The Clerk had prepared a draft diary for 2023 – which will be populated and published as and when confirmed.

RESOLVED

To approve the Diary of Events

12.7 Newsletter

RESOLVED

The Clerk to prepare a hard newsletter which will be delivered by Cllrs towards the end of November.

13 Date of the next meeting:

13.1 Tuesday 15th November 2022

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