

High Legh Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 25 July 2022 at High Legh Village Hall

Present: M Cooper (Chairman)
T Harrison J Tuck
N Hennerley R Wright
J Sykes

In attendance: D Walker (Clerk), Lord Grey and Mrs Batchelor

Apologies: Cllrs Adams, Hind, Morton and Ruddock, Cllr Parkinson and Mr Braddock

1. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 27 June were confirmed.

2. Declarations of Interest Cllr Wright for the Village Hall, Cllr Harrison for HS2/NPR

3. Business from parishioners

The Clerk had received an email from a parishioner complaining about the state of the footpath and hoardings on part of the A50. The owner was contacted and has agreed to carry out the work.

Concern was expressed about the suggestion of installing two rapid charging points in the car park for EVs as sometimes the car park is full. Charging points are available at Lymm Services.

4. Neighbourhood Plan – nothing to report.

5. Planning

The Planning Report had been circulated and Cllr Cooper went through the applications.

New applications:

22/2610M	The Willows, Hobbs Hill Lane	Variation of conditions on 20/4662M
22/2257M	North West Water	Extension of operational boundary

6. Traffic Sub Committee

The Clerk had requested that Highways repaint the zigzags outside the school at the same time as they reline Pheasant Walk/Wrenshot Lane junction. Highways had agreed to this. Top Up scheme – Cllr Parkinson had asked for suggestions. Priority was a dropped kerb near the post box on West Lane and A50 siding out from the Bears Paw to the Golf Club.

The Clerk had reported that the resurfacing work on Pheasant Walk was already crumbling. Highways had been to inspect it and have arranged for a follow up with the team to address the area of concern.

Cllr Harrison reported that the Golf Club hedges needed cutting.

Cllr Wright asked for the weeds on the motorway bridges to be put on the Top Up scheme.

7. HS2/NPR

Cllrs Cooper, Hennerley and Harrison and the clerk had attended a meeting with CE about the Hybrid Bill petitioning. A meeting had been held prior to the PC meeting to discuss the construction routes so that councillors could inform CE of our concerns at a Teams meeting on 26 July. Cllr Hennerley had drafted the petition which has to be sent by 4 August. Copies to be sent to CE and Esther McVey. The key areas are the spur junctions which should not be built before the NPR route is approved and the impact on local roads.

The Chairman thanked Cllr Hennerley for the amount of time he has put into this.

8. Improvements, Amenities and Appearance Committee

The Play Area is almost complete and should be open this week.
Clerk to write to McDonalds requesting a litter pick on the A50.

9. Finance

The accounts to date had been circulated and Cllr Tuck explained the present position.

Accounts for Payment

RESOLVED that the following be authorised for payment retrospectively:

Campbells	£145.00	
Gary Percival	£315.00	
Procam	£65.40	
TWM poles	£440.57	
HLVH room rent	£45.00	
P Norcross	£50.00	All agreed

Cllr Cooper suggested an Autumn clear up which was agreed.

10. Climate Change

Litter pick on 31 July. Next meeting on 15 August. Plastic Free Sunday Teas on 4 September.

11. Cycling & Walking – no meeting had taken place.

12. Communications Sub-Committee

Mr Braddock was working on the site map.

13. Queen's Platinum Jubilee

Cllr Cooper reported that the accounts for the event had been finalised and the surplus of £257 plus a donation to make it up to £300 was given to the Church.

14. Matters arising from the minutes and reports from councillors

- i) Old School House – The ceiling in the bathroom and a wall in the kitchen had been painted.
- ii) High Legh School – Newsletter had been circulated. Ofsted had visited on the last week of term.
- iii) HLCA – Cllr Morton had sent a report that the Fun Day and Dog Show on 16 July was successful although the number of attendees was down as there was another event on in the village. The CA are hosting Sunday Teas on 31 July. Safeguarding, H&S procedures are being looked at for the Hall.
CCTV – it was agreed to inform the CA that the PC agreed to a camera on the entrance to the car park.
Cllrs Sykes and Wright will speak to Mr Carter about heating in the Annex.
- iv) Police – PCSO Emma Darroch has left her role to begin training as a Police Officer and PC Price has transferred to another police station. We will be informed of our new contacts when they are in place.
Cllr Sykes reported three burglaries on Swineyard Lane.

15. New Business

- i) World Car-Free Day on 22 September – noted.
- ii) Information from the Contaminated Land team at Cheshire East – noted.
- iii) Cllr Tuck said that following the action taken on the piece of land on the corner of North Drive, it was suggested that the PC should find out if there were any other similar pieces and they should be included in the Neighbourhood Plan as greenspace to protect them.

16. Date of next meeting: Monday, 12 September at 7.30 p.m. Meeting finished at 9.15 p.m.