

High Legh Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 30 January 2023 at High Legh Village Hall

Present: M Cooper (Chairman) W Hind
T Harrison J Sykes
N Hennerley J Tuck

In attendance: D Walker (Clerk), Lord Grey, Mrs Batchelor, Rev Leal and 2 parishioners
Apologies: Cllrs Adams, Morton, Ruddock and Wright, Cllr Parkinson and Mr Braddock

The Chairman welcomed Rev Clare Leal, the new Priest in Charge at St John's and Police Commissioner Mr John Dwyer, Sgt Brickhill, PCSO Chloe Shore and a communications officer. Cllr Cooper asked for more police presence in High Legh as response had been poor and we were without a PC and PCSO for about 5 months. Cross border patrolling between High Legh and Warrington was non-existent. Revenue from High Legh must be about £200,000 pa. The nearest police station is Wilmslow or Warrington, Knutsford is closed for callers.

Mr Dwyer said that in Cheshire, Halton and Warrington there are 122 communities each has a dedicated PC and PCSO. High Legh's was PC John Milman and PCSO Chloe Shore. Mr Dwyer will ask Rob Simpson of the Rural CrimeTeam to get in touch with Cllr Cooper and a list of social media sites will be sent. Stations had been closed due to more staff on 101 calls.

Cllr Cooper said that there was a lack of traffic enforcement, especially on A50 and West Lane where there were speeding issues. Mr Dwyer explained a new pilot scheme using average speed cameras. Mr Dwyer will come back in six months.

Cllr Hennerley asked for Mr Dwyer's views on 20s Plenty. He said that Cheshire West have them and Poynton is a good example.

Cllr Sykes asked for reports for PC meetings or a PCSO to attend for 5 mins at the beginning.

Cllr Tuck said that the police do a job which we could not do and we are very grateful.

Cllr Cooper thanked them for coming and giving their time.

1. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 5 December were confirmed.

2. Declarations of Interest Cllr Harrison for HS2/NPR

3. Business from parishioners

A parishioner said that his planning application was submitted 18 months ago. Clerk to send Cllr Parkinson's email to him.

4. Neighbourhood Plan – nothing to report.

5. Planning

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

New applications:

23/0221M	Golborne Farm, Golborne Lane	Change of use of existing building to one dwelling house with associated works
23/0048M	Mill Farm, Moss Lane	To erect an outdoor arena cover over an existing outdoor menage
22/4918M	4 Robert Moffat	Construction of a ground floor side & rear wraparound extension, first floor side ext, exterior alterations and internal works.
22/4690M	8 Robert Moffat	Certificate of lawful proposed development of

22/4544M	1 Holly Farm Cottages, Withers Lane	single storey rear extension
22/4453M	Hunters Moon, Swineyard Lane	Single storey rear extension Prior determination for a steel framed agricultural building (Withdrawn).

An email had been received from a resident of Swineyard Lane asking for advice on the ongoing issues with the land fill work at Hunters Moon. Cllrs Cooper and Sykes had met with the owner and it was felt that the PC had done all they could. Clerk to send to Cllr Parkinson.

6. Traffic Sub Committee

Top Up scheme – work scheduled for financial year 23/24 on Rensherds Place footpath and drawings being prepared for a dropped kerb on West Lane near the Old School House.

Two quotes had been received for the siding out of the A50.

Cllr Hind, seconded by Cllr Harrison proposed that the lowest quote be accepted but Clerk to confirm price and date for the work with contractors. All agreed.

On 26 January there was an accident at West Lane/Peacock Lane junction. Clerk to inform Highways.

7. HS2/NPR

Cllr Hennerley reported that an email had been received from the Petition Manager with some information following a meeting with HS2 Petition staff. The members of the Select Committee have been chosen and will start the hearings in February.

8. Improvements, Amenities and Appearance Committee

Play Area - two new benches will be installed soon.

9. Finance

Accounts for Payment

RESOLVED that the following be authorised for payment:

HLVH room rent	£17.50
Fisher German Car park rent	£302.00
T Harrison Xmas Tree	£50.00

All agreed

10. Climate Change

Cllr Hennerley reported that the first talk organised by HighLegh23 Environment Hub had been on Renewable Energy in the Home on 26 January at the Garden Centre.

Next meeting is on 27 February.

11. Cycling & Walking

Cllr Hennerley had spoken to Diana Davey of 20's Plenty. It was agreed to invite her to the next meeting to give councillors an opportunity to ask questions. Cllr Hind suggested that residents should be asked if they wanted roads in the village to be 20mph. A proposal needs to go through the Traffic Sub Committee.

Cllr Harrison said that Peacock Lane will be taken off the Cheshire Cycleway as it's not 40mph.

12. Communications Sub-Committee

Progress was being made on setting up a new website.

13. Queen's Green Canopy

Tree should be planted in March. Mr Braddock to report.

14. Matters arising from the minutes and reports from councillors

- i) HLCA – As the AGM on 27 November did not have a quorum a special meeting will be held on 23 February at Coffee & Friendship to elect committee members.

Cllr Harrison said the numbers were down for the 10K race.
CCTV had been installed in the Hall and on the car park entrance.

15. New Business

- i) Coronation event – Clerk to set up a meeting and include Rev Leal.
- ii) Land on the corner of Pheasant Walk/North Drive – Cllr Tuck had tried several times to contact the agent but no response.
- iii) Six56 Planning Meeting – Cllr Sykes will listen in.
- iv) May Elections – Clerk will attend information event in Sandbach on 1 March.
Cllrs Hind and Tuck will not be standing again. The Chairman thanked them for all their work and past Chairmanship.

16. Date of next meeting: Monday, 6 March at 7.00 p.m.
as Diana Davey will be attending.

Meeting finished at 9.45 p.m.

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