

MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING OF HEPTONSTALL PARISH COUNCIL

HELD AT HEPTONSTALL J I & N SCHOOL, 4 DECEMBER 2017

Present : Councillors J Crowther (Chairman) A Baldwin J R Dunford
M V Edwards M Hughes N James S Slater & B Stott

113/17 APOLOGIES OF ABSENCE

An apology of absence was received from Councillor K Roberts.
It was resolved this absence be an 'approved absence'.

An apology of absence was also received from the Co-opted Member – Ms Anne Crossfield.

114/17 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

There were no Declarations of Interests at the commencement of the meeting.

115/17 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Four members of the public were present and were invited to speak on their respective areas of interest :

Jonathan and Karen Hull of Hepton Drive wished to provide information in respect of revisions to Planning Application 17/00949 in respect of the division of 15 Hepton Drive into 2 dwellings.

The revisions create an additional parking space in the nearby trees which are still within the Conservation Area, the other three spaces introducing access difficulties for residents of numbers 17, 19 & 21 Hepton Drive.

Mr & Mrs Hull asked that the Parish Council be aware of these revisions, and seek support for their concerns. The Chairman thanked both for the information and explanations.

Nic Corrigan of Townfield Lane wished Council members to be aware of her future intentions in respect of her proposal to use the property next to the Bistro in Towngate as a workshop for her business as well as a retail establishment.

She confirmed she was in touch with Calderdale Planning to establish whether an application for change of use would be required.

The Chairman thanked Ms Corrigan for her information and confirmed the Parish Council would consider the matter should a Planning Application be required.

Barrie Marlor of Southfield, Heptonstall, offered in respect of savings which he felt Calderdale MB Council could make in respect of grass cutting.. He was thanked for his information.

He also felt that Heptonstall Museum did not bring anything to Heptonstall.

The Chairman thanked Mr Marlor for his comments.

116/17 The **minutes of the Monthly Meeting** of Heptonstall Parish Council held 1 November 2017 were approved as a correct record.

117/17 APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS

It was resolved to approve the following accounts for payment :

R M Greenwood	Salary (¼ to Dec '17) (net) Tel/Broadband (¼ to Dec'17)	£1,286.10 £ 82.50
Lambert Print & Design Ltd	Newsletter publication	£ 175.00
Post Office Ltd	HMRC – PAYE	£ 321.40
Best Practice Training	CPR Training	£ 145.00 *
Open Spaces Society	Annual Subscription	£ 45.00
SLCC	Annual Subscription	£ 115.00

** Payment authorised in accordance with Section 127 LGA 1972*

118/17 EXTERNAL AUDIT ARRANGEMENTS 2017/18

The Clerk provided members with details of the arrangements which would come into play at the conclusion of the current financial year (31 March 2018).

119/17 PLANNING

(a) Planning Decisions : notification of recent decisions were received from the Planning Authority and presented to members for information.

(b) The following **Planning Application** was presented for comment :

- **PA 17/01367/LBC : Conversion of lean to building to residential in place of previously approved scheme (15/00534/LBC) – Former Great Learings Farm, Faugh Lane, Heptonstall**

No objections arose.

(c) Revision to Planning Application 17/00949 : Splitting one property into 2 dwellings – 15 Hepton Drive, Heptonstall

It was resolved to object to the proposed revision on the grounds that the 4th parking space would be within the Heptonstall Conservation Area. Should the objection be refuted it is recommended that access be gained to this space via the dropping of the kerb and direct access to the site be established.

120/17 Arising from correspondence received it was resolved to agree a 50% contribution to works to be undertaken by CROWS to the footpath at Widdop Reservoir.

121/17 WIDDOP ROAD : GRITTING POLICY

Given unclear revisions being reported, it was resolved to seek clarification from Calderdale MB Council on the gritting policy in respect of Widdop Road.

122/17 CALDERDALE COUNCIL'S CLEANER GREENER SERVICE

Following the address by Andrew Pitts prior to the last meeting of this Council thought was given as to whether some cluster arrangements on say grass cutting might be a way forward.

The Clerk volunteered to speak with the Clerks of Hebden Royd and Todmorden Town Councils as a preliminary measure.

123/17 HEPTONSTALL MUSEUM

In order to introduce the possibility of gaining volunteer support to work in the museum it was agreed that the February meeting of this Council should commence 30 minutes early with invitations to members of the community to consider this aspect.

124/17 FLOOD ALLEVIATION : 'SLOW THE FLOW CALDERDALE'

Following a report of the value of a presentation on this topic it was resolved to invite a presentation to be given at 7.00 pm prior to the meeting of Council on 8 January – the Clerk to make the necessary arrangements following confirmation from Councillor James.

125/17 CPR TRAINING

The success of the recent CPR training funded by this Council was reported. It was agreed to consider whether a repeat session should be undertaken and funded in the coming months. This to be an agenda item for the January 2018 meeting of this Council.

126/17 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING & THE LOCAL PLAN

Councillor Slater provided detail of the continued progress in preparing a draft of the Joint Neighbourhood Plan – the next meeting of the Joint Committee to be held in January 2018.

Councillor Slater was thanked for her report and actions.

127/17 DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETINGS

The Clerk confirmed that the upcoming meetings of this Council would be held as follows :

Monthly meeting to be held Monday 8 January 2018 commencing 7.30 pm to be preceded by 'Slow The Flow Calderdale public presentation at 7.00 pm.

Finance Committee : to be held at Hebden Bridge Town Hall Council Chamber on Monday 15 January 2018.– presentations by organisations claiming Grants exceeding £250. The Committee meeting itself to commence at 7.45 pm.

Staffing Committee : to be held at Hebden Bridge Town Hall Council Chamber at 7.45 pm on Monday 15 January 2018.

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(Chairman)

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