

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL ASSEMBLY OF THE  
PARISH MEETING OF HEPTONSTALL**

**HELD AT HEPTONSTALL SOCIAL & BOWLING CLUB 16 MAY 2023**

The meeting was chaired by the Chairman of the Parish Council Councillor M Hughes 11 electors of the Parish were **present**, as were retiring Clerk to the Parish Council Roger Greenwodd and his successor Hannah Sherriff-Jackson.

**1/-** The **minutes** of the previous Annual Assembly held 10 May 2023 were approved as a correct record.

**2/-** The **Annual Report of Heptonstall Parish Council** to March 2023 was presented by the Clerk to the Council, Mr R M Greenwood, and copies distributed. The opportunity to ask questions was provided.

**3/-** The draft **accounts** of Heptonstall Parish Council for the year to 31 March 2023 were presented by the Clerk of the Parish Council, and copies were distributed, with the opportunity for questions.

**4/-** Other items of Parish business were invited :

- Public Toilets. It was reported the public toilets remain unavailable for use whilst tourism is still being encouraged. It was agreed to ask the Parish Council to take up this issue at the next Council meetings
- Traffic difficulties through Hebden Bridge. There is the current nightmare of roadworks causing havoc and delays in travelling through Hebden Bridge, making it difficult for local businesses to operate, keeping medical and hospital etc appointments as well as travelling to school for examinations. It was agreed the Parish Council be asked to take up this matter with urgency.
- Weavers Square Xmas Tree hole : Ongoing problems at this site were explained. The Chairman confirmed the Parish Council would see this matter rectified.
- Pavement outside 41A Towngate : It was reported this has still not been restored to its original width.
- High Street Planning Permission : It was recognised there was no Traffic Order put in place as part of the granted permissions.
- Defibrillator Training : About 40 persons had received CPT & Defibrillator Training at a successful event last week. Councillors Crowther & Slater were thanked for organising this, and Roger Greenwood confirmed that the Bowling Club had agreed to provide the use of premises at nil cost. It was agreed to thank the trainer for her work, and the Bowling Club for their generosity.

**5/- Thanks of Roger Greenwood :** The Chairman reported that this would be the last time Roger would service a Parish Assembly as, after 60 years, he was retiring as Clerk to Heptonstall Parish Council. He was thanked on behalf of the community for the service he has provided to this Parish

The meeting closed at 8.00 pm.

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**(Chairman)**

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