

HARTINGTON UPPER QUARTER PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held Wednesday 13th May 2015

Present: Cllrs K Kirkham,(Chair), L Melland (Vice chair), A Bennett, J Bennett, S Wardle. T Kemp, S Flower

John Faulkner

J Nash (Clerk),

13/05/01	Apologies
	Cllr C Bisknell
13/05/02	Minutes of the meeting held 1st April 2015
	Minutes were approved as a correct record; proposed John Bennett, seconded Steve Wardle
13/05/03	Matters arising
	Janet had written to Mrs Sims to ask if she needs any help. She thanks councillors for the offer and would like someone to mow her lawn. Janet had contacted two people, one of whom, John Williamson of Badgers Croft, had agreed to help. Further names were suggested if John couldn't do it, alternatively Cllr Kirkham offered his help.
13/05/04	Transparency Code for Smaller Authorities and Parish Council website
	<p>Steve Mansfield presented a paper describing his plan for a parish council website which will comply with the above code now in place, which requires all parish councils to have a website by July 2015. Various pieces of information, especially relating to the accounts, need to be placed on the site.</p> <p>Steve explained that he had researched the requirements and could set up a suitable site, which would comply with the code and provide residents with the information needed. Once this is up and running, the code explains that there would be no further requirement for an external audit to take place.</p> <p>The fixed cost for his work in setting up the site would be £300 with variable monthly charges for hosting (approx £7.50) and for monitoring and maintenance (max £10). Government funding has been promised but not yet available.</p> <p>Councillors felt that this was a good deal and asked Steve to progress with his work.</p>
13/05/05	Items of Account
	<p>Bank balance stands at £9102.01</p> <p>The following expenditure was approved:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">£181.43 – J Nash pay and expenses £29.60 - PAYE £781.88 – Zurich Insurance £42.50 – John Atkin, war memorial garden maintenance £37.00 – R Fletcher (urgent repairs needed to gate at playground) £36.00 – A Bennett, hall cleaning £153.44 – DALC annual subs £125.00 – JCB Electrical (Electrical testing, Parish Hall) £475.00 – D Morson, playground maintenance annual payment</p> <p>Income:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">£50 – refund of war stock investment, scheme has now ceased operation. £160 – camping</p>

	Accounts were approved – proposed L Melland, seconded K. Kirkham
13/05/06	Planning Applications
	Phone mast – Cat and Fiddle This application has been approved
13/05/07	Sterndale Moor
	Septic Tank. John Faulkner introduced Cllr Samantha Flower to the Parish Council. Samantha has been elected to the Burbage Ward which John previously held before standing down at the election. He has updated Samantha on the situation regarding the septic tank and the latest discussions with Severn Trent. Samantha will now take the work forward as lead but John will remain involved in an advisory position from a distance. Parish Councillors expressed their gratitude to him for this and wished him well in his new home where he has already been elected as a Parish Councillor! Street Sweeping – Kevin has spoken with HPBC and sweeping has now been done. Dog fouling – this remains a problem and Janet was asked to write to HPBC enforcement officer. Service Rd and land behind 27 – 33 Sterndale Moor. This area of tarmac has severely deteriorated and is in need of repair. Janet to find out who owns it so that it can be resurfaced. Social Club – the walls around the area are in need of repair. Janet will attempt to find out who owns the wall so that a request for repair can be submitted. Playground – the spring to the gate has broken meaning that dogs can easily enter the playground. Richard Fletcher had repaired it. The playground inspection is due to take place some time this month.
13/05/08	Parish Hall
	Large window – Buxton Building Supplies had quoted £1595.00 + VAT to supply and fit the window as double glazed which councillors felt to be a good price. However after discussion it was decided to change the spec to single glazed toughened glass. Janet to ask Buxton Building Supplies for a revised quote. Further quotes are needed, Kevin will ask Richard Fletcher to quote. John Batt of JCB Electrics, Quarnford, had carried out a very thorough electrical survey of the parish hall, several issues were found, though none serious. To be discussed in further detail at the next meeting.
13/05/09	Highways
	Potholes – Janet had written to Cllr Dean Collins as requested, about the state of the roads and read his response to the meeting. He explains that budgetary constraints sometimes mean that repairs to smaller roads are not carried out or not as thoroughly as they might be. He also said that all roads in the area are regularly inspected by officers in his department and recommendations made for repairs. Brierlow Bar – We have received a consultation notice that Highways wish to place a vehicle activated sign on the southbound carriageway before the junction which will tell drivers to slow down as well as let them know that a motorist is waiting to turn from the B5053 onto the A515. Councillors felt that yet another sign was a bad idea at what is already a very busy junction with a multiplicity of signs already and that another one would divert drivers' concentration even further. Steven Mansfield is a member of the Institute of Advanced Motorists and offered to write a response. Cllr Tony Kemp is also a member and gives his full support to these objections. Councillors feel that a complete redesign of the junction and the addition of a roundabout or traffic lights is the only way to solve the problem of this dangerous junction. Janet was asked to reply to the consultation with this recommendation.

	Cisterns Clough – having been cleared of rubbish by DCC a few years ago, DCC now seem to be using it as a mini-depot for their own rubble etc. Janet to write to ask them to keep it clear.
13/05/10	Correspondence
	Clerks and Councillors newsletter Derbyshire Minerals Local Plan – advance notice of consultation Peak Park elections.
13/05/11	Any other business
	No further business
13/05/12	Date and time of next meeting
	Wednesday June 3rd at 7.30 in the parish hall