

**MINUTES OF HANKELow PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
4 SEPTEMBER 2023**

PRESENT: G Foster (Chair)
C Cope (Vice-Chair)
I Jones
A Postlethwaite
A Bellinger
T Muxlow
I Parker

IN ATTENDANCE: Four members of the public

34 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

35 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Members were invited to declare any non-pecuniary or disclosable pecuniary interest (DPI) which they had in any item of business on the agenda, the nature of that business and in respect of disclosable interests to leave the meeting prior to the discussion of that item. There were no declarations of interest in relation to the agenda items under consideration.

36 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Parish Council meeting on 3 July 2023 and the Extra-ordinary meeting on 14 August 2023.

37 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

In accordance with the Parish Council's Standing Order No 1, members of the public were asked to raise any questions. There were no questions from members of the public.

38 WHITE LION COMMUNITY PUB LTD – DRAIN

Following some discussion, it was agreed that the Clerk would write to the Directors of the White Lion Community Pub Limited on behalf of the Parish Council. The letter to acknowledge the supportive relationship that currently exists between the Parish Council and the White Lion Community Pub Ltd and that the Parish Council was looking to re-open discussions based around the following:

- Deed of Easement to be provided by a legal professional.
- WLCPH to cover all costs and will insure the drain.
- Market value peppercorn rent to be paid by WLCPH to HPC annually.
- HPC to allow immediate emergency access to carry out any future repairs that are required.
- HPC to allow regular maintenance with reasonable notice from WLCPH.

- WLCPH to make good any damage caused to the green.
- Easement continues whilst use of premise remains as a pub/restaurant.

39 FINANCIAL MATTERS

The financial matters were noted.

40 FISH IN THE POND

Discussion took place regarding the death of the fish and the water lilies in the pond which may be attributed to the overflow from the water harvesting tank from The White Lion Pub Ltd. Councillor Jones had been arranging for samples and tests to be taken. It was agreed that an update be provided at a future meeting.

41 NOTICEBOARD

Some discussion over the potential options for either refurbishing the existing noticeboard or the purchase of a new one and it was agreed that the Parish Council would refurbish the existing noticeboard. Councillors Jones, Parker, Bellinger and Cope agreed to undertake the refurbishment work.

42 CRIME DATA

The Parish Council considered and noted the crime data.

43 SHARED INFORMATION

The Chair advised that Audrey Postlethwaite had resigned from the Parish Council and that this was her last meeting. Audrey was thanked for her contribution to the work of the Parish Council. The Parish Council will make arrangements for filling the resultant Parish Councillor vacancy by co-option.

Other shared information items included whether any response had been received from Margaret Hopley to a previous communication; the sale of milk and eggs from a vending machine; hedgerows and signs covered up on Monks Lane and Longhill Lane.

44 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

6 November 2023.

Meeting closed at 8.45pm

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Chair