

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF HANKELow PARISH COUNCIL
HELD ON 4 JANUARY 2021**

PRESENT: Councillor G Foster Chair
Councillor I Jones
Councillor C Fitzsimons
Councillor C Cope

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr J Durrant, Chair of the Neighbourhood Plan
Steering Group and Borough Councillor Rachel
Bailey.

118. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor D Smith.

119. DECLARATIONS 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.

Councillors G Foster and I Jones each declared an interest in the proceedings in relation to any discussion surrounding the White Lion Community Pub Limited on the basis that they were shareholders in the company

There were no other declarations of interest.

120. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 2 NOVEMBER 2020 AND THE EXTRA-ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 7 DECEMBER 2020

Councillor I Jones was present at the meeting on 2 November 2020 and the minutes were noted to reflect his attendance.

RESOLVED: Taking account of the above, the Minutes of the meetings held on 2 November 2020 and the Extra-Ordinary meeting held on 7 December 2020 were approved as a correct record.

121. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

In accordance with the Parish Council's Standing Order No 1, members of the public were able to ask a question or to make a statement. No questions had been sent through to the Clerk prior to the meeting that were not already covered on the agenda.

122. BUDGET 2021-22

The Parish Council was asked to approve its budget for 2021-22.

The following documents were submitted for consideration –

- Clerk's Budget Report
- Receipts and payments statement for the period 1 April 2020-4 December 2020
- Proposed budget 2021-22

RESOLVED:

- (a) The Clerk to make arrangements for the monies provided to the Parish Council for the purchase of a laptop (£500) to be returned.
- (b) That a budget of £7,195 be approved.
- (c) That the Clerk's salary be approved at £1,550 per annum with effect from 1 April 2021.
- (d) That the Clerk be authorised to request a precept of £4,400 from Cheshire East Council.

123. AUTHORISATION OF PAYMENTS

RESOLVED: That the following payments be approved:

£137.60	HMRC – Tax on Clerk's Salary (payment for Q3)
£190.00	Cheshire Community Action – Payment for half day neighbourhood plan work
£ 20.00	D Smith, nettle cutting
£190.00	Room Hire, Hankelow Methodist Church
£ 54.53	I Jones
£100.00	Chair's Allowance
£ 65.00	Hankelow PC website maintenance and management
£150.00	K Mottershead, duck food

124. HANKELOW NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

At the last meeting, the Chair of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group reported that the Regulation 16 consultation would be complete on November 11th, and that the next step was to appoint an inspector, and the Parish Council agreed to the appointment of Mr Patrick Whitehead, as suggested by Cheshire East.

At the completion of the consultation, 12 responses had been received. Mr Whitehead subsequently visited the village unaccompanied, and sent 5 queries by letter on November 30th, while also asking for comment on the Reg. 16 responses. These points were considered in the extraordinary meeting of the Parish Council on 7th December and in a meeting of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group on the 8th December. After some additional assistance from

Cheshire Community Action, a reply was sent to Mr Whitehead on December 13th, and further communication was awaited.

125. **VEHICLE SPEEDING QUESTIONNAIRE**

The Parish Council considered a questionnaire from CHALC asking whether vehicle speeding was a high priority within the Parish. The Clerk was asked to return the completed questionnaire reflecting the Parish Council's priorities.

126. **DRAINAGE OF WATER FROM VILLAGE GREEN**

The Parish Council considered a request from a parishioner for villagers to contribute towards the cost of providing adequate drainage from the village green. It was agreed that it was the landowners' responsibility to ensure appropriate land drainage and that contact would be made with the landowners requesting that they ensure that the drains remain clear.

127. **SHARED INFORMATION ITEMS**

Wildlife and Climate Response - the Chair had produced a Wildlife and Climate Response which she agreed to forward to the parishioner who had requested the response.

Borough Councillor Rachel Bailey reported on Cheshire East matters of interest.

128. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Monday, 1 March 2021 at 7.30pm

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Chair

The meeting commenced at 7.30 pm and closed at 8.10pm