

# HASSALL PARISH COUNCIL - MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

HELD TUESDAY 31<sup>st</sup> MAY 2016

ST PHILIP'S CHURCH HALL, HASSALL at 7:30pm

**PRESENT**

Cllr Eric. Smith (Chairman)	Cllr G. Whitmarsh
Cllr R. Price	Cllr J Stark
Cllr Eileen Smith	Cllr C Lyon
Clerk to the Council: Mrs S. Davies	

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

None received

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None

**3. APPOINTMENT OF A CHAIRMAN TO SERVE UNTIL MAY 2017**

Cllr Eric Smith was nominated and seconded. No other nominations were received. Cllr Eric Smith was unanimously voted in a chairman.

**4. APPOINTMENT OF A VICE-CHAIR TO SERVE UNTIL MAY 2017**

Cllr Janie Stark was nominated and seconded to the position of vice-chair. No other nominations were received. Cllr Janie Stark was unanimously voted in as Vice-Chair.

**5. TO APPROVE AS A CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 22<sup>nd</sup> MARCH 2016**

The minutes of the meeting of 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2016 were approved as a correct record by members present.

**6. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING ON THE 22<sup>nd</sup> MARCH 2016**

**6.1 Speed Restrictions for Day Green**

Cllr Price has been requesting an update but this has not yet been received. Cllr Price and the clerk were asked to pursue this.

**6.2 Damage to Road Sign and Chevron**

The road sign has been repaired but the chevrons have not yet been progressed despite requests. Cllr price and the clerk have been asked to progress this.

**6.3 Proposal for a bench**

Cllr price and the clerk were asked to continue to pursue this.

Cllr Stark commented that headed paper and a logo on emails may be beneficial. Everyone agreed was asked to look at ideas for a logo.

**6.4 Further litter bins**

Cllr price has met with ANSA representatives to agree locations and three litter bins have now been installed.

**6.5 Advertising for Malkins Bank Defibrillator**

The clerk reported that the Canal and Rivers Trust have agreed to place signs in their boards along the canal locally. It was agreed that the clerk contact local parishes to suggest a joint notice.

## **6.6 Website Update**

Cllr Eric Smith reported that Lawton Computers have been given the go ahead to develop a new website. It has also been confirmed that Cheshire East no longer offer hosting.

## **6.7 Replacement of Perspex in the Parish Board**

Cllr Eric Smith is pursuing the replacement of the Perspex in the noticeboard.

## **7. FINANCIAL MATTERS**

### **7.1 To receive the results of the Internal Audit**

The internal audit report was deferred until the next meeting.

### **7.2 To receive and approve the financial report for 2016/2016 financial year**

The clerk presented the financial report which was reviewed and approved by all present.

### **7.3 To approve and sign the Annual Governance Statement for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> march 2016**

Section 1 of the Annual Return, the Annual Governance Statement, for 2015/2016 was approved by all present and signed by the chair and clerk.

### **7.4 To approve and sign the Accounting Statement for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> march 2016.**

Section 2 of the Annual Return, the Accounting Statement, for 2015/2016 was approved by all present and signed by the chair and clerk.

### **7.5 The following payments were agreed and approved by all present:**

St Philips's Church (hall hire for May meeting)	£25.00
ChALC Annual Subscription	£78.40
Clerk – Salary March	£79.79
Zurich Insurance	£251.85
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£435.04</b>

## **8. LENGTHSMAN – PROGRESS AND TERMS OF CONTRACT**

The difference between employing and contracting a lengthsmen and the implications were discussed. A list of potential jobs for a lengthsmen was also discussed but it was commented that many of the potential tasks are undertaken by Cheshire East Council and by ANSA except on the parish's unadopted roads.

Everyone was actioned to look around the parish at what we actually need doing so that discussions can continue at the next meeting. The clerk was asked to see if she can get a good map of the parish.

## **9. RISK ASSESSMENT DOCUMENT**

Deferred until the July meeting.

## **10. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

### **16/1838C1 – 1, Jubilee Villas, Mill Lane, Single Storey side and rear extensions and demolish existing garage and erect a new one.**

The comments date for this has passed. It was agreed with the chair and Cllr Stark to submit a no objection but to ask that the comment from a neighbour regarding privacy be considered.

### **16/1147C (Resubmission of 15/5057C) – Land adjacent to Lodley Smithy, Alsager Road, Hassall, CW11 4SD – Proposed cattery with 20 pens, reception, access and parking.**

This application was approved on the 19<sup>th</sup> May 2016.

**11. ITEMS OF INTEREST ON THE PARISH AND ANY ITEMS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

Cllr Lyon agreed to rearrange the fracking talk for the July meeting. Everyone was asked to confirm with the clerk their July availability so that the date of the meeting could be decided. Cllr Lyon reported that a projector would cost £50 to hire. Cllr Eric Smith agreed to find out if he could source one that could be borrowed.

Cllr Stark raised the issue of broadband in Hassall but there has been no more news.

Cllr Stark informed that she will organize another newsletter for the community.

**12. ITEMS OF CORRESPONDENCE**

The clerk informed of correspondence including:

The forthcoming ChALC Congleton Area Meeting – 7<sup>th</sup> June 2016, 7:30, Westfield's, Sandbach

ChALC Powers, Duties and Precept training session, 15<sup>th</sup> June, Tarvin

ChALC Planning training sessions, 4<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> July.

**13. DATE OF NEXT MEETING: 12<sup>th</sup> JULY 2016 – to be confirmed**

**The meeting concluded at 8:45**

**Chairman: Eric Smith**

**Date: 31<sup>st</sup> May 2016**