The **November Monthly Meeting** of the **Hawthorn Parish Council** was held in the Community Centre at 7pm on **27th November 2017**

**MINUTES**

**Present**

Cllr. Alan Askew (Chairman)

Cllr. George Vest (Vice Chairman)

Diane Hughes, Sheila Irving, Maxine Smith

DCC Cllr. Angela Surtees

**Officer**: Lesley Swinbank (Parish Clerk)

# Apologies:

Cllr. Darren Ellis, Cllr. Norman Hughes

# Declarations of Interest

Cllr. Allan Askew Item 8.2 Donation St Michael’s Church

Cllr. Maxine Smith Item 12 Community Plant

# Minutes:

## RESOLVED

## To approve the Minutes of the Monthly Meeting held Monday October 9th 2017

# Matters of Information

## Apple Orchard Tree

The Clerk reported that the Tree Week application for £150 was successful. Four trees ( 3 apple and 1 plum) have been purchased and planted.

**RESOLVED**

**To close**

# Reports

## Police

No report was given.

## Co. Cllr.

The Chairman welcomed DCC Cllr. Angela Surtees to the meeting and who then proceeded to give her report.

This included:-

1. Problems with street lighting in the village
2. Rodent control
3. DCC Financial Plan and consultation. The Clerk confirmed the information had been circulated to members and all were urged to complete the consultation.
4. Dementia Training – information to be forwarded to the Clerk for the website and Round Up
5. Easington Colliery Band who are situated in the old pay office are applying to the HLF to improve the building to include a new Band room a community café and heritage/community facility.  Further that they will be asking the wider community to complete their survey document.
6. Information and advice on utilities – information to be added to the website
7. Request for ‘No through Road’ sign for Glencot Grove
8. Concerns over an unknown car being parked on the B1432, 100 yds south of the three houses at Hillcrest
9. The the dog bin at the crossroads (West Lane) needed to be put back on it's post

Cllr. Surtees was thanked by the Chairman and left the meeting.

## Community Centre

The Chairman gave the report.

This included details of:-

1. The Craft Fair which was held the previous Saturday.
2. The event on 4th January re the travelling theatre
3. The Christmas Ceilidh the following Saturday

## CDALC AGM

The Chairman gave the report.

## Smaller Councils Committee

The Chairman gave the report on the recent meeting.

**RESOLVED**

**To receive the reports and the recommendations contained therein.**

# Public Participation

The Chairman closed the meeting whilst the public gave their views and comments.

This included a number of comments from Mr. Keith Robinson.

1. The offer of stakes for the new fruit trees.
2. Comments re the Parish Council’s comments and no objections to the planning application at Denehurst.
3. Concerns that he had not received a letter of thanks as referred to in the July 2017 minutes.

It was felt that Mr. Robinson made some very inappropriate comments and was asked to leave the meeting by the Chairman.

Mr. Robinson left the meeting. The meeting was then re-opened.

# Correspondence / emails :

None to date

# Financial:

## To endorse the monies to be paid by the Clerk since the last meeting / Bank reconciliation

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| 100901 | 01/10/2017 | Apple | App to mirror laptop | £9.99 | £9.99 |  |
| 100902 | 01/11/2017 | Glosticks | Presents Santa | £168.73 | £168.73 | £28.12 |
| 100903 | 01/11/2017 | Microsoft | Office 365 | £59.99 | £59.99 | £10.00 |
| 100904 | 27/11/2017 | Comm Centre | Donation | £150.00 | £150.00 |  |
| 100905 | 27/11/2017 | Church | Donation | £250.00 | £250 |  |
| 100906 | 27/11/2017 | Bt | Line /rent wireless Comm | £226.97 | £226.97 | £37.83 |
| **TOTALS** |  |  |  | **£6,203.92** | **£865.68** | **£517.46** |

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| **Opening Balances** |  | **£10,227.32** |
| **Business** | £8,328.79 |  |
| **Current** | £1,898.53 |  |
|  |  | **£10,227.32** |
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| **Receipts To date** |  | **£19,174.92** |
| **Payments to date** |  | £6,203.92 |
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| **Closing balances** |  | **£23,198.32** |
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| Business | £15,191.29 |  |
| Current | £8,872.71 |  |
| Total | £24,064.00 |  |
| Less u/p to date | £865.68 | **£23,198.32** |

## Grant application : St Michael’s Church

**RESOLVED**

**To give a grant of £250**

# Revised Code of Conduct

**Resolved**

**To adopt the new code of conduct as circulated.**

# Training: Information and reports

The Chairman gave details of the recent GDPR training which he, Cllr. Diane Hughes and the Clerk had attended.

**RESOLVED**

**To receive the information**

# Current Planning Applications: Re DCC Lists

## Pemberton Arms

DM/17/03277/FPA | Demolition of existing public house and erection of 6 no. new detached dwelling houses with associated car parking and road | Pemberton Arms Stockton Road Cold Hesledon Seaham SR7 8RN

The application was discussed in detail.

**RESOLVED**

**To object to the application on the following grounds:-**

1. Two new accesses to be created onto a 60 mph road
2. Layout and density of the site
3. Loss of a pub and community meeting place

# Community Plant – To discuss the project in detail.

The Clerk said she had obtained a number of brochures etc.

**RESOLVED**

**To defer until January / February.**

# Events / Information

## Christmas Events

Details and action plan for the above were discussed and finalised.

**RESOLVED**

**To receive the information.**

# Date of the next meeting

In light of the next scheduled meeting falling on the same evening and time as the Christingle it was agreed to hold the December monthly meeting one week earlier on Monday December 11th.

**The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 8.45p.m.**