**The February Monthly Meeting of the Hawthorn Parish Council was held at 7pm on Monday 20th February 2023, in the Community Centre.**

**MINUTES**

**Present**

Cllr Diane Hughes (Chairman)

Cllr. Sheila Irving (Vice – Chairman)

Cllrs Alan Askew, Sheila Wilson, Gary Thompson, Maxine Smith, Carolyn Winter

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

Members of the Public: 1

# Notice of Meeting

Public Notice of the Meeting has been given in accordance with Sch 12 paragraph 10(2) of the LGA 1972

# Apologies

DCC Cllr Angela Surtees

# Declarations of Interest

None

# Minutes

**RESOLVED**

**To approve the Minutes of the Monthly Meeting held Monday 16th January 2023**

# Matters of Information

All covered by the agenda.

# Reports

## Police

None given.

## DCC

Apologies received from DCC Cllr Angela Surtees.

## Community Centre

Cllr. Sheila Wilson Gave the report which included information on the forthcoming coffee mornings and possible Coronation Event in July.

## Annual Report

The Clerk had circulated the draft Annual Report.

**RESOLVED**

**To approve the Annual Report – which will now be accessible on the website and at the Annual Parish Meeting.**

## Norman Hughes Award

The Clerk had circulated the nominations for the Award.

**RESOLVED**

**The Award to be presented to two recipients.**

**Jill Paterson – for her very valued commitment to the Community in Hawthorn**

**Louise Murray together with the Community Centre Volunteers for their continued and sustained work for local residents.**

## Any other reports

1. **CDALC: Smaller Councils Committee**

The Chairman, Cllr. Diane Hughes said she was unable to attend the next meeting.

The Clerk informed members that Steve Ragg is retiring,

**RESOLVED**

**To send the Council’s best wishes**

# Public Participation

## Coronation

## A member of the public asked about a possible Coronation Event.

The Chairman said the council will work with the Community Centre and an event will probably be held on 1st July – but this will be confirmed at a later date.

## Veterans’ Bench

There will be a formal presentation of the bench – date to be confirmed.

# Correspondence

## Play area – log climber DCC

The Clerk had circulated the response from DCC regarding the log climber in the Belmont play area. DCC has confirmed that the damaged post on the log climber is one of the foundation posts and recommended going back to the play company who installed the item.

It was felt that the original company is no longer in existence. The Clerk suggested that once the contract is awarded re the proposed new works in the play area – the contractor be asked to carry out the repairs to the log climber.

**RESOLVED**

**This was agreed.**

## 8.2. Nalc Conference

An invitation to attend the NALC Conference, free of charge, has been received.

**RESOLVED**

**Not to take up this offer.**

# Financial:

## RESOLVED

## To approve the following payments (Payments using GPOC)

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| 19/01/2023 | A I Engraving | Mem Plaque | £50.00 |
| 20/03/2023 | Lesley Swinbank | Salary Oct - March | £1,245.50 |
| 20/03/2023 | HMRC | Deductions | £311.20 |
| 20/03/2023 | DCC | Play Inspections | £350.00 |
| 20/03/2023 | L K Swinbank | Tv exp | £301.50 |
| 20/03/2023 | L K Swinbank | Postage | £13.65 |

## Tree works – Quote for works.

One tender has been received from David Scott (Tree Surgeon)

**RESOLVED**

**To seek an additional quote.**

**The Clerk to then circulate and seek approval for accepting a quote in order that the work can be carried out as soon as possible.**

## Grant Applications: Play area.

The Clerk informed members that the application to Awards4App for £9700 had been successful, and she is awaiting confirmation of the £10,000 from DCC Members’ Fund.

**RESOLVED**

**To receive the information**

# Training

Details of the Civility training on March 9th had been circulated.

**RESOLVED**

**To receive the information**

# Planning: Current Planning applications

Cllr Alan Askew had circulated information re ongoing applications.

Members asked why the current planning lists are no longer circulated. The Clerk said she would look into why she was no longer receiving the lists.

# Events & Information

## Walking the footpaths

On hold until the footpath diversion by the old Pemberton Arms is reinstated. The Clerk to seek a progress report.

## Spring Clean

**RESOLVED**

**To hold on Sunday 16th April – 10.30 from the Centre.**

**The Clerk to organize the equipment etc.**

## Coronation Community Event

**RESOLVED**

**To work with the Community Centre who are looking to organize such on July 1st.**

# Date of the next meeting:

## Annual Parish Meeting: Monday 20th March 2023: 7pm

## Monthly Meeting: Monday March 20th March following

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 7.40 pm.