

**The October Monthly Meeting of the Hawthorn Parish Council was held at 7pm on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2023, in the Community Centre.**

**MINUTES**

**Present**

Cllr Diane Hughes (Chairman)  
Cllr. Sheila Irving (Vice – Chairman)  
Cllrs. Alan Askew, Gary Thompson, Sheila Wilson, Carolyn Winter

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

Member of the Public: 1

**1 Notice of Meeting**

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

**2 Apologies**

Cllr. Maxine Smith  
DCC Cllr. Angela Surtees

**3 Declarations of Interest**

None

**4 Minutes:**

**RESOLVED**

**To approve the Minutes of the Monthly Meeting held Monday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2023**

**5 Matters of Information**

**5.1 Temp closed footpath: Issues re footpath surface due to new development**

**RESOLVED**

The Clerk to contact DCC and request a progress report.

**6 Reports**

**6.1 Police**

No report.

It is understood that Sharon Bowman has now left the Police.

**RESOLVED**

**To make enquiries as to the new PCSO for Hawthorn.**

**6.2 DCC**

DCC Cllr. Angela Surtees had attended prior to the meeting starting. She said there were no issues to report but asked that anything raised at the meeting be forwarded to her.

### 6.3 Community Centre

The Chair, Cllr Diane Hughes gave the report which included: -

- Details of the forthcoming race -night
- Craft Fayre

**RESOLVED**

**To receive the information**

### 6.4 CDALC AGM

The Chair, Cllr Diane Hughes said she had been ill and unable to attend.

### 6.5 Any other reports

No other reports were given.

## 7 Public Participation

None

## 8 Correspondence

### 8.1 Copy letter from DCC re B1432 turning down appeal.

The letter from DCC to Mr. Mitchell had been circulated.

Mr. Mitchell had organised the recent petition re the speed limit on the B1432.

DCC have now turned down his appeal to them to review the situation.

**RESOLVED**

**To receive the information**

## 9 Financial:

### 9.1 RESOLVED

**To endorse the monies paid by the Clerk since the last meeting / Bank reconciliation.**

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| 101173 | 23/09/2023 | Community Centre | Christmas pantomime | £250.00   |
| 101174 | 23/09/2023 | Lesley Swinbank  | Salary April - Sept | £1,160.90 |
| 101175 | 23/09/2023 | HMRC             | Dedns April - Sept  | £290.20   |

### 9.2 Information from DCC re tax base and withdrawal of the LCTSG

**RESOLVED**

**To receive the information from DCC.**

### 9.3 ½ Year Accounts / Estimates

**RESOLVED**

**To receive the information as circulated.**

### 9.4 Changing bank accounts: Progress report

The Clerk said she has now received a letter from Barclays closing down all accounts together with a cheque payable to Hawthorn Parish Council for the overall balances. This is despite NALC and SLCC who have met with Barclays re problems with mandates.

Nothing has been heard from Lloyds despite two telephone calls asking for progress on opening a new account.

**RESOLVED**

To continue to push Lloyds to open the new account – but if this has not been done by October 31<sup>st</sup> then the Clerk is authorized to begin the process of opening a new account with Unity Bank.

**10 Draft Climate Change Information**

Deferred until the next meeting.

**11 Anti-social behaviour: Play Area**

The Clerk reported that this had been included in the October Round Up. Since then, there have not been any recurrence of issues.

**RESOLVED**

- a. To receive the information and continue to monitor the situation.
- b. To include in the Round Up – people to ring the Police direct if further instances occur.
- c. Cllr. Sheila Irving to ask the contractor to remove the glass from the sand pit when he has time.

**12 Training:**

None received.

**13 Planning: Current Planning applications**

No new applications have been received.

**14 Events & Information**

**14.1 Switching on lights: Dec 2<sup>nd</sup>**

The action plan had been circulated.

**RESOLVED**

To have the Christmas lights pat-tested.

**14.2 Hard copy newsletter**

The Clerk to bring this to the November meeting.

**15 Dates of the next meetings Monthly Meeting of the Council**

The next 2 Monthly Meetings will be: -

**13<sup>th</sup> November**

**11<sup>th</sup> December**

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 7.45 pm.