

The May Monthly Meeting of the Hawthorn Parish Council was held following the Annual Meeting of the Council on Monday 20th May 2024 in the Community Centre.

MINUTES

Present

Cllr Diane Hughes (Chairman)

Cllr. Sheila Irving (Vice – Chairman)

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

Officer: Lesley Swinbank (Parish Clerk)

2 Members of the Public:

1 Notice of Meeting

The Chair, Cllr. Diane Hughes, welcomed everyone to the meeting and confirmed that Public Notice of the Meeting has been given in accordance with Sch 12 paragraph 10(2) of the LGA 1972

2 Apologies

None

3 Declarations of Interest

Item 7.4 Play Area Report Cllr Maxine Smith

Item 10.2 ROSPA Cllr. Maxine Smith

4 Garden Village

The Clerk reported that she had received no information from Lea Smith regarding attending the meeting.

RESOLVED

Not to take any further action and close the matter

5 Minutes:

RESOLVED

To approve the Minutes of the Monthly Meeting held Monday 15th April 2024

6 Matters of Information

No new matters were reported.

7 Reports

7.1 DCC

No report has been received.

7.2 Police

No report has been received.

7.3 Community Centre

The Chair, Cllr Diane Hughes gave the report.

This included: -

- Details of forthcoming coffee mornings
- Information re the Theatre Event on 29th May
- Details of the summer event in July

7.4 Play area report

The report from DCC had been circulated.

RESOLVED

To await the report from ROSPA and then discuss both in detail and then decide on repairs and refurbishment. This will probably be the July Monthly Meeting.

7.5 Smaller Council Meeting

A detailed report from the Chair, Cllr Diane Hughes had been circulated to all.

RESOLVED

To receive the information.

7.6 Any other reports

None

8 Public Participation

8.1 Observations on the Council Meetings

A member of the public commented on the council meetings. He said he found it difficult to follow the items and discussion and felt that members need to make more input and comments in the discussion on the various items on the agenda.

8.2 Road signs

A member of the public commented on some of the road-side signage which are in need of cleaning.

Both points were noted.

9 Correspondence

9.1 Proposed Bus Shelter

Correspondence including a drawing / plan of a replacement brick bus shelter for Stockton Road has been received. The Chair, Cllr. Diane Hughes thanked the member of the public for his work in producing the very comprehensive drawing / plan, however it was explained that the parish council does not have any responsibility / powers in regard of the bus shelter but suggested this be forwarded to DCC.

RESOLVED

To forward to DCC for their consideration.

10 Financial:

10.1 RESOLVED

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

S. Irving Plaque – King Charles’ Portrait £8

C. Winter Bedding Plants £20

Business	£8,154.80	
Current	£936.23	
Total	£9,091.03	£9,091.03
Receipts To date	£14,686.88	
Payments to date	£227.95	
Closing balances		£23,549.96
Business	£20,154.80	
Current	£3,395.16	
Total	£23,549.96	£23,549.96

10.2 ROSPA Inspection

The Clerk informed members that the ROSPOA inspection will be taking place in June.

RESOLVED

To receive the information

10.3 Insurance Quotes

The Clerk gave information on the quotes received from Clear and Zurich Insurance companies.

RESOLVED

To remain with Clear Insurance at a cost of £623

11 Cycle Racks

The new free cycle racks have now been received.

RESOLVED

To consider the siting of these immediately following the meeting.

(It was subsequently agreed to ask the Stapylton Arms if they would like to site the cycle racks near the pub for use by customers and all visitors to the village.)

12 Play area: Sand pit

The Chair reminded members that this had been raised at the April meeting during Public Participation.

However, the problems had arisen due to broken glass in the sand – and also cats using the area.

RESOLVED

To ask the contractor to remove the sand, surround and grass it over.

13 Training:

None received.

14 Current Planning applications

14.1 Stapylton Arms – promotional signage

A query has been raised by local residents re the need for advertising consent / permission for the new mural on the wall adjacent to the Stapylton Arms.

RESOLVED

To Clerk to seek clarification.

15 Events & Information

The next Community event is Saturday 6th July.

16 Dates of the next meeting is the June Monthly Meeting on 10th June

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 7.55 pm.