

The January Monthly Meeting of the Hawthorn Parish Council was held at 7pm on Monday 15th January 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)

Members of the Public: 2

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

DCC Cllr. Angela Surtees, PCSO Paul Pearson

3 Declarations of Interest

None

4 Minutes:

RESOLVED

To approve the Minutes of the Monthly Meeting held Monday 11th December 2023 with amendments as made at the meeting.

5 Matters of Information

Damaged Fence: Glencot

RESOLVED

To contact Believe again and request the repairs are carried out.

6 Reports

6.1 Police

The Clerk had forwarded the e mail from the new PCSO – Paul Pearson who said there had been no incidents reported in hawthorn over the past month.

RESOLVED

- a) To receive the information**
- b) To invite the PCSO to the Annual Parish Meeting**

6.2 DCC

No report.

6.3 Community Centre

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

- a) Report on the recent pantomime which had been well received and the Centre are now looking for an event in March.
- b) The coffee mornings starting up again.
- c) Issues re damp and condensation problems – DCC are sending out an inspector.
- d) Replacing the existing chairs in the centre – the Clerk to ask CDALC to circulate to local town and parish councils and ask if any are disposing of any light and stackable chairs.

RESOLVED

To receive the information.

6.4 Any other reports

None

7 Public Participation

7.1 Precept

Comments were made regarding the projected increase in the precept.

7.2 Grit /Salt Bins

Queries were raised as to the location of the existing bins and if they are filled and ready for the expected cold weather.

8 Correspondence

8.1 CDALC President – To vote on nominations.

Details of nominations have been received from CDALC.

RESOLVED

To vote for Mary Foy

9 Financial:

9.1 RESOLVED

To endorse the monies from the new Unity account and approve the bank reconciliation.

300001	11/12/2023	Glosticks	Presents	£139.91
300002	12/12/2023	Community Centre	Rent for year	£220.00
300003	11/12/2023	SLCC	Subs	£161.00
300004	11/12/2023	Sainsbury	Switch on Lights	£57.50
300005	12/12/2023	L.Swinbank	Rept	£500.00
300006	12/12/2003	Alan Askew	poppy wreath	£25.00
300006	12/12/2023	Alan Askew	toner	£20.79
300007	12/12/2023	Rebecca Smith	Singing carols	£30.00
300008	12/12/2023	Hawthorn Tree Services	Pruning Trees	£300.00
300009	11/12/2023	S. Irving	Extension Lead	£16.72
Direct	01/01/2024	Unity	Service Charge	£3.91

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Business	£7,712.73	
Current	£12,747.40	
Total	£20,460.13	
Less u/p to date	£0.00	£20,460.13
Receipts To date	£20,656.44	
Payments to date	£27,959.30	
U/p		
Closing balances		£13,157.27
Business	£8,100.47	
Current	£5,236.80	
Total	£13,337.27	
Less u/p to date	£180.00	£13,157.27

9.2 Changing bank accounts

The Clerk informed members that the new Unity Bank account is now up and running. However, Lloyds have now forwarded a number of letters, pins machines etc.

RESOLVED

- a) To receive the information
- b) To take no further action re the Lloyds account.

RESOLVED

To receive the information.

9.3 Precept 2024 / 2025

Information from DCC had been circulated and discussed in detail at the December meeting. This included: -

Tax base for 2023 / 2024 is 207.7

LCTSG £11 – representing a reduction of £201.

Having discussed the estimates in detail – and the requirements for the forthcoming year: -

RESOLVED

To set a precept of £10,629 which represents an 8.11% increase.

10 Training:

None to date

11 Planning: Current Planning applications

No new applications have been received.

12 Events & Information

12.1 Norman Hughes Award

Two nominations have been received. The closing date is 31st January.

RESOLVED

To discuss following the February meeting.

12.2 D Day

Information regarding the 80th Anniversary of D Day have been received.

RESOLVED

To receive the information

13 Dates of the next meetings:

⇒ **Monthly Meeting of the Council: Monday 15th January 2024**

⇒ Next meetings for publications

Feb Monthly Meeting	Feb 26th
Annual Parish Meeting	March 18th
March Monthly Meeting	March 18th
April Monthly Meeting	April 15th
Annual Meeting	May 20th

RESOLVED

- a) **To receive the information**
- b) **Meeting dates to be approved on a quarterly basis – and then publicized on the noticeboards, website and in the Round Up**
- c) **The Clerk to invite relevant speakers – re the Garden Village, Karbon Homes or other for the Annual Parish Meeting.**

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