

Meeting of Heytesbury, Imber and Knook Parish Council

Minutes

Tuesday 27 February 2024
Hospital of St John, Heytesbury

Present

Cllr C Barker Bennett, Cllr C Blake, Cllr B Coombes, Cllr P Fellowes, Cllr V Peters, Cllr J Sneddon, Cllr M Teale, Cllr N Williams and Cllr A Wilson.

Clerk and five members of the public.

Cllr Williams chaired the meeting due to the absence of Cllr Sturmeay (chair) and Cllr King (vice chair).

Public session commenced at 7 pm.

Two members of the public spoke about item 154, item 161 and item 162.

Public session ended at 7.17 pm.

The meeting commenced at 7.17 pm.

146 Apologies

Cllr King and Cllr Sturmeay.

147 Declarations of interest

Cllr Williams declared a personal interest in item 149 and said he would not vote.

148 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting on 16 January 2024 were approved and signed by the chair.

149 To co-opt new councillors

The three candidates were invited to speak. Council proceeded to co-opt new councillors to fill two vacancies by a separate vote for each vacancy.

It was resolved to co-opt Victoria Peters and Michael Teale. Cllr Peters and Cllr Teale signed the declaration of acceptance of office and joined the meeting.

Members of the public left the meeting after item 149.

150 Chair's announcements

There were no announcements.

151 To note the bank statements

The bank statements as at 27 February 2024 were noted.

152 To note the bank reconciliation to 31 January 2023

The bank reconciliation was noted.

153 To note the budget report to 16 February 2024

The budget report was noted.

154 To approve payments

63/24 Playsafety Limited safety inspection £164.40

64/24 Society of Local Council Clerks membership fee £148

66/24 Viking A4 paper £20.89

67/24 Clerk mileage £10.80

68/24 February payroll

69/24 Hospital of St John room hire 27 February 2024 £20

The payments were approved.

155 Planning applications

- i. PL/2024/00573 The Gate House, Park Street, Heytesbury, erection of a new dwelling plus associated hard and soft landscaping.

Council objected to the application because it is outside the development limit. Council also requested that Wiltshire Council's Planning Committee consider the planning application.

- ii. PL/2024/00804 Parsonage House, 2 Tytherington Road, Heytesbury, works to trees in a conservation area.

There were no objections.

156 Annual review of asset register

It was resolved that the Outside Spaces Working Group scrutinise the asset register.

157 Notice of motion

A motion in respect of councillor surgeries was not considered because its proposer, Cllr Sturme, was absent.

158 Neighbourhood plan

The item was deferred until the next meeting.

159 Newsletter

It was resolved to approve up to £150 for the printing of a non-colour newsletter every four months.

160 Questionnaire

There was an oral report from Cllr Coombes in respect of the questionnaire.

It was agreed to consider item 161 and item 162 together.

161 Playing field

162 Asset of community value

There was a discussion of item 161 and item 162. Council reaffirmed its decision to consider an application to nominate the land north of Park Street, Heytesbury, as an asset of community value.

163 Community cohesion

There was an oral report from Cllr Coombes about ideas for community cohesion.

164 Storage of assets

It was resolved that the Outside Spaces Working Group consider the storage of various assets.

165 Request from Knook Heytesbury Imber Allotment Association

Council agreed to give permission to Knook Heytesbury Imber Allotment Association for the removal of trees near a wall.

166 Exclusion of the press and public under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 to discuss a confidential item

There were no members of the public present.

167 Clerk's working hours

Council received a report of the Clerk. Consideration of the matter was postponed.

The meeting ended at 8.58 pm.

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Date