

HATTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 22nd January 2024 at Hatton Village Hall.

Present; Martin LeTocq, Tony Burrows, Veronica Chapman, Sue Hague, Brendon Asprey

Jan Matechi WCC/WDC

Peter Phillips WDC

Katherine Skudra -Clerk

6 members of the public

Apologies were received and accepted from Josh Moore and Maggie Langford

The Chairman noted with sadness the death of Steve Halliday in December. Mr Halliday was a frequent attendee at Parish Council Meetings and always diligent in presenting and researching matters of concern to residents.

No issues were considered at the Open Forum.

Minutes of the last meeting, Matters Arising and meetings attended. The Minutes were approved as drawn and signed by the Chairman on each page.

From the action log;

1	Response to Union View planning application	The objection concerning the removal of the condition to allow occupancy was files and Veronica Chapman and Peter Phillips were thanked for representing the Council and residents at 2 Planning Committee meetings where the application was eventually allowed following the Planning Officers' recommendations. 40 houses can be occupied before the new entry and roadworks have been completed. The Council continues to be concerned on the grounds of safety and increased delays
2	Obtain list of Auditors from WALC	Possible new auditors are being approached 1
3	WDC/ Finance Agreement	This item discussed as an agenda item

4	Follow up with WDC -Open Spaces	Discussed as an agenda item re CiL monies
5	CiL monies suggestion	Discussed as an agenda item
6	Precept and budget	All -to set in January
7	Contact WALC re Clerk role appraisal	Dates to be confirmed
Ongoing	Online banking set up	Clerk- ongoing

A full report of the overgrown hedgerow around Hatton Park was submitted to Warwickshire County Council and Jan Matecki attended a site meeting with the relevant officers. It was agreed that the Council's contractors would clear all the areas and then write to the relevant householders stating that in future they need to keep the growth cut back and if the Council have to clear it again they will be charged.

Planning – Union View- the current roadworks are causing a lot of disruption and delays and certain times of the day and traffic trying to get out of and into Hatton Park is often blocked. Both Peter Phillips and Jan Matecki have been visible and vocal in checking the system and the actual operation and will continue to be so. They confirmed that the project is now being fulfilled by Traffix and they work to Warwickshire County Council specifications. There are representatives from both on site every day and a dedicated information can be found on the County Council website. At the end of January some work to widen the road for the filter lane will commence, which may take 3 weeks and during this time there will be a 3 way traffic light routine. It was confirmed there will be a public meeting/community forum on 20th February at 6pm at Holy Trinity, Hatton Church.

Hatton Arms – There had been an appeal against the enforcement order relating to the rear extension to Hatton Arms built without the relevant permission. Whilst it was acknowledged the pub is a local amenity used by many residents it was agreed the Council would support the enforcement. 2

Hatton Station – A developer has contacted the Council relating to a possible proposal for an 18 property development adjacent to Hatton Station. This appears to form part of the larger call for sites for the new South Warwickshire Local Plan. It was agreed that when appropriate a meeting with neighbouring parishes should take place. Parish Councils are statutory consultees and we will give residents the opportunity to let us have their views. It was confirmed that information has been included in recent editions of the Hatton Parish Post.

Rights of Way consultation – There is an ongoing County Council consultation as to the state of the Rights of Way and the opportunity to propose other pathways. The Chairman will walk the pathways and information will be shared in the Hatton Parish Post.

Hatton Park Playground – The working party reported that there has been ongoing discussions on the Finance Agreement and contributions. The Council agreed to the final suggestions from WDC and once this is signed the tenders can be viewed by the Working Party's representatives. The Council are actively chasing the Green Space team for this to move along as quickly as possible. 3

CIL Working Party – The Chairman reported that the landowners’ consent has been given for the proposed footpath on Hatton Park and footpath improvements from Holy Trinity Church to Starmer Place. Contractors are being contacted for quotes and it was suggested that McPhillips be approached as they are already on Hatton Park.⁴

Representatives of the working party met with Jo Edwards from Warwickshire County Council to look at traffic management issues on Hatton Green, including; a one way system, VAS speed advisory signs, speed humps and speed cushions. An information note has been sent around Hatton Green asking for residents’ views and the responses will be considered at the next working party meeting in February.

Finance – The Council considered the budget and precept proposal. It was felt at this stage that as there had been no requests from the organisations who receive grants for an increase these would remain the same for 24/25 and there were sufficient funds in reserve for any one off requests for help. WDC had given information about possible election costs at £500 for an uncontested election and up to £10,000 for a contested election. The Council approved the budget as drawn and the Clerk will make the call for the precept.⁵

The current balances including the CIL monies being held are; Hatton Parish Council £117,501 War Memorial Account £3081

The Council approved the following payments;

Hatton Parish Post Distribution £85

Hatton Parish Post Printing; £82.01,

Google Domaine £27.60.

Trees on Hatton Green £480

WDC 2023 uncontested election invoice £300

Replacement cheque for Hatton Haseley PCC £550

Information Commissioners Office -Data Protection Fee £40

The Clerk is following up on the online banking accounts (ongoing)

Hatton Park Residents Association - The new notice board will be erected soon and there will be a HPRA meeting in the next couple of weeks.

Warwick District Council – The Council has now almost completely moved out of Riverside House and are now operating from Leamington Town Hall, the Pump Rooms and offices as Saltisford Warwick. Peter Phillips said it was disappointing to note that comments had been made on social media accusing councillors/council officers of ‘taking back hander;’ re the recent Union View planning decisions and he has asked for these to be taken down. It was also noted the Council continue to plant trees to meet their commitment to that.

Warwickshire County Council – There is a current consultation concerning the future of the Fire and rescue Service in Warwickshire.

Correspondence;

- Residents – Hatton Green traffic
- Residents – Roadworks and Union View planning applications
- Residents – overgrown vegetation-
- WDC- planning notices re Union View and removal of conditions
- WDC – call for precept
- WDC – elections costs (May 2023)
- Rural Servies network
- WCC – A4177 roadworks issues
- Matt Western – Christmas Message
- WDC – weekly newsletters and updates
- Planning Inspectorate – Hatton Arms
- Resident – IndieGo feedback
- WCC – rights of Way consultation
- WDC – Hatton Park Playground
- WDC – information re bird scarers
- WDC- Members services re Allowances / Probity in Planning
- Bank statements

Hatton Parish Post; Content and contributors were agreed upon- to be distributed by 20th February.

AOB – It was noted that the Digital Switchover information is being shared with residents and does need to be highlighted.

The next meeting is 26th February 2024 at Hatton Park Village Hall

The meeting concluded at 9.50

Action Log;

1	Auditor	Clerk
2	Planning issues -file response	Clerk
3	Hatton Park Playground	Working Party
4	Contact contractors re Pathways	Chair and CIL Working Party
5	Call for Precept	Clerk
ongoing	Bank account	Clerk

